



Background

Patricia Campbell has been involved in some aspect of dance since the age of 5. She became a caller in the summer of 1986. Her repertoire of "Traditional Country Dancing" includes contra-style dance, traditional square dance, 18th century (Colonial) dance, International Folk Dance, and "Singing Games" which are also known as "PlayParty" Games - dances that are done to songs rather than to music by instruments. She leads workshops and residencies, along with family and community dances and Colonial Balls.

She performed and was a Board member and on the Programming Committee for the NOMAD (Northeast Music, Art and Dance) Festival for most of its 20-year run. Traditional dance includes a variety of names and types of social dance: barn dance, ceilidh, community dance, square dance, English country dance, International Folk Dance, just to name a sample. It is an engaging and lively social activity, which Patricia leads most frequently with live music provided by The Reel Thing and other bands. In an age of increasing isolation and solitary activities, traditional dance continues to bring people together the way it has done for generations.

Patricia has led dance programs for homeschoolers' groups, libraries, schools, senior centers, community organizations, monthly family dances, and many community "Barn Dances" (a little of everything), as well as historical dances and balls for re-enactors. Her current focus is on community, school, and family dances as well as the historical dances for anyone interesting in creating a Colonial Ball or other historical dance event.

Photos and video clips of her dance work and events can be seen at:

<https://countrydancecaller.com>,

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcvnwBvkzw9m7A56lg0BMnA>, and on Facebook at Patricia Campbell, Dance Caller.

Professional Organization Memberships:

Creative Ground (through which you may apply for grants from NEST (New England States Touring) funds through the New England Foundation for the Arts).

CDSS - Country Dance & Song Society

NFO - National Folk Organization

SFDH - Society of Folk Dance Historians

CAWCT - Cultural Alliance of Western CT

CAFC - Cultural Alliance of Fairfield County

CLC - CT Library Consortium (Library Programming Catalog)

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A Sample of the Schools and Community Organizations that have used our programs.
Programs in CT unless otherwise posted.

Schools:

Anna E. Norris Elementary School
Columbus Magnet School, Norwalk
Great Plains School, Danbury
Edgewood Magnet School, New Haven
Housatonic Valley Waldorf School
Kawameeh Middle School, Union, NJ
Lee Kellogg School, Falls Village
Longmeadow Elementary School
Meeting House Hill School, Sherman
Thomas Hooker School
Wooster School, Danbury
Worcester Arts Magnet School, MA

Historical Programs:

Bicentennial Celebration, Union, NJ
C.H. Booth Library Tercentennial
DAR, Roger Sherman Chapter
DAR, Danbury Chapter
DeLancey's Brigade
Keeler Tavern Museum
Bethel Historical Society
Danbury Historical Society
Naugatuck Historical Society
Needham, MA
Old New Paltz Day, New Paltz, NY
Ridgefield Historical Society
Sherman Historical Society
Town of Norwalk, CT 225th Anniversary

Miscellaneous:

Birthday Parties/Anniversaries (young & old)
Homeschoolers Dance Programs
July 4th Events
Neighborhood Block Parties
Harvest Fairs

Special Events:

Colonial Ball events
May Fairs
Halloween Parties

CT Landmarks:

Bellamy-Ferriday House & Gardens
Hempstead Houses
Nathan Hale Homestead
Phelps-Hatheway House & Garden

Senior Programs:

Ashlar Village, Wallingford
Bethel Senior Center
Classic Residence by Hyatt, Yonkers, NY
Danbury Senior Center
Newtown Senior Center
The Greens at Cannondale
New Fairfield Senior Center
Spring Meadows, Trumbull
Watermark at East Hill, Southbury
Maplewood At Stony Hill, Bethel

Community Organizations:

Congregation Beth El-Keser Israel
First Church, Washington
Lake Waramaug Country Club
North Madison Congregational Church
Relay for Life, Washington
Transition Bethlehem and Transition
Litchfield

Girl Scout Organizations:

Brookfield Girl Scouts
Darien Girl Scouts
Girl Scouts of Southwestern CT
Greenwich Girl Scouts
New Canaan Girl Scouts
Sherman Girl Scouts

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