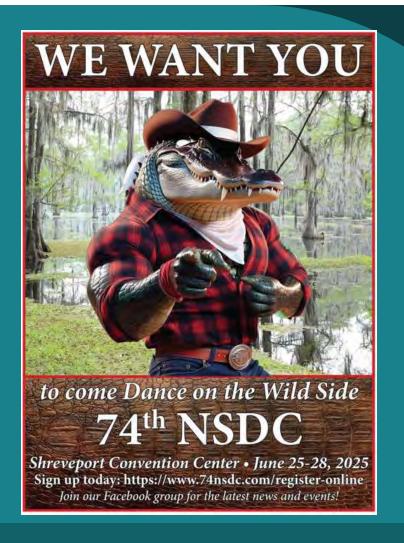
74th National Square Dance Convention®

June 25 – 28, 2025



74th National Square Dance Convention[®] Shreveport, La

Ted and Tonia Hofmeister General Chairman 74th National Square Dance Convention®



Why Shreveport? A) Visit Shreveport-Bossier B) Shreveport Convention Center





Level One - Shreveport Convention Center

Proposed Schedule of Activities

Registration, Ways & Means, Tours, Info, First Aid, Picture

Hall 1

Plus Dancing 10 - 10 Plus with rounds 7-10

Vendors & Vendor Hospitality

Concessions Band Storage (CC B) Hall 2 - Auditorium

(Clogging when not in use)

Wednesday - USDA 1:00

Wednesday night - Dennis Swanberg/Show

Wednesday night - Opening Ceremony

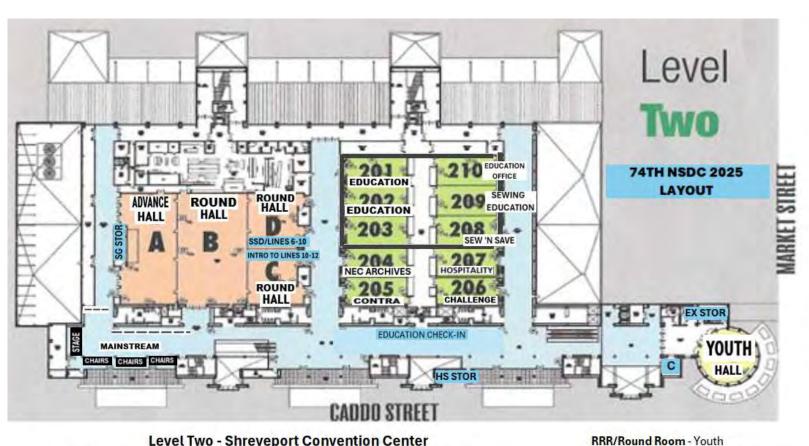
Keynote Speaker - Round Table Fashion Show & Practice

Hall 3

Ghost Riders Band Practice - 9 - 12

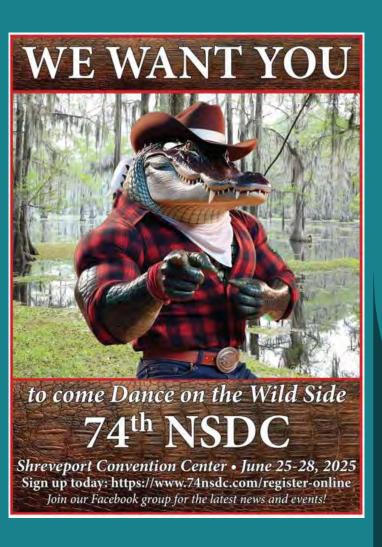
Variety Hall - 12 - 7 Showcase of Ideas

Thurs - Sat night 7-10 - Ghost Riders/mainsteam



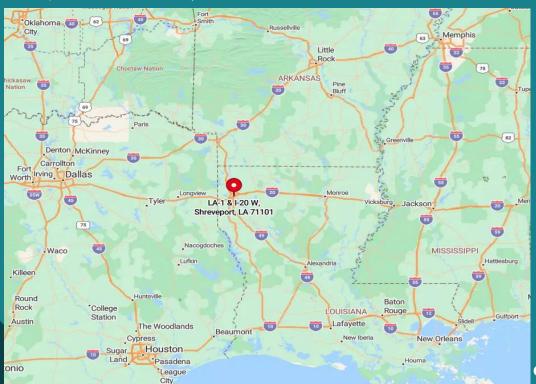
Level Two - Shreveport Convention Center

Ex Hall A	Advance Daily 10 - 10	201 - 203	Education	RR Board Room (C) - Clinic Meeting Room
	Solid Gold Storage	204	NEC Archives	Exhibition Storage
Ex Hall B	Rounds Daily 10 - 10	205	10 -10 Contra	Pre-Function
Ex Hall C	Lines & Into to Lines Daily 10 - 12	206	Challenge 10 - 10	Mainstream - 10 - 10
	Rounds Daily 12 - 10	207	Hospitality - Workers & Int'l	Education Check-in
Ex Hall D	Rounds Daily 12 - 6	208 - 209	Sew 'N Save & Sew Education	Hospitality Storage Coat Ck 2
	SSD with Lines 6 - 10	210	Education Office	Food/Concession



How do we get to Shreveport?

1) Drive – Shreveport intersection of I-20 & I-49





How do we get to Shreveport?

2) Shreveport Regional Airport

SHREVEPORT REGIONAL AIRPORT



Airlines

The airport is served by four airlines to seven major destinations.

- Allegiant Airlines With service to Las Vegas with seasonal flights to Destin & Orlando/Sanford
- American Airlines With service to Charlotte & Dallas/Fort Worth
- · Delta Air Lines With service to Atlanta
- · United Airlines With service to Houston & Denver

Lodging

Code	Code Hotel		
1	Hilton Shreveport Hotel - Headquarters	\$169	
2	Sam's Town - Weekday Rate (Sunday - Thursday)		
	Caller/Cuer Hotel - Weekend Rate (Friday - Saturday)	\$145	
3	Holiday Inn - Shreveport (3-minute - 0.7 mile)	\$115	
4	Holiday Inn Express - Shreveport (3-minute - 0.7 mile)	\$115	
5	Hampton Inn - Bossier (6-minute drive)	\$139	
6	Hilton Garden Inn – Bossier (6-minute drive)	\$139	
7	Homewood Suites - Bossier (6-minute drive)	\$169	

Camping



Hospitality Round-Up Room



Air Conditioned - 4500 sq ft

ATTENTION SQUARE DANCERS WHO LIKE TO CAMP

If you are planning to camp at the 74th National Square Dance Convention in Shreveport, Why not come early and party with us? You are invited to a

JUNE 19, 20 & 21 2025



Square Dance Bash on the Bayou

That's right. We're having a Camping & Dancing Party right at the

Shreveport Louisianna Fairgrounds

Squares, Rounds, & Lines, Dance Workshops, Campfires, Games, After parties, and some good "Cajun Eatin"!

Hold on there...here's the really good part... You don't have to move your camper YOU WILL ALREADY BE AT THE NSDC CAMPING VENUE. "Just 10 miles from Shreveport Convention Center!"

Contact: Susan Wolford 256-673-0170 or Email: 67th.nsdca@gmail.com or visit our Website: NSDCA.org

SQUARE DANCE CAMPING BONANZA 74th National Square Dance Convention

in Shreveport, Louisanna

June 25 thru June 28

2025



Gabby Gator invites you to the TRAIL-Thru Event being held before the 74th Convention. at La. State Fairgrounds. Nightly After Parties will be held there during the convention.

67th **NSDCA**

INTERNATIONAL

NSDCA has planned a unique "TRAIL-THRU EVENT"

June 19 thru June 21

CAMPOREE Vigit us at

NCDCA.org

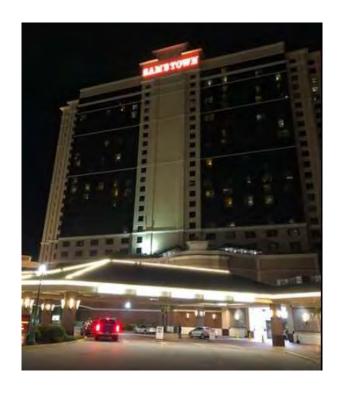
Camporee Trail-In Dance June 18

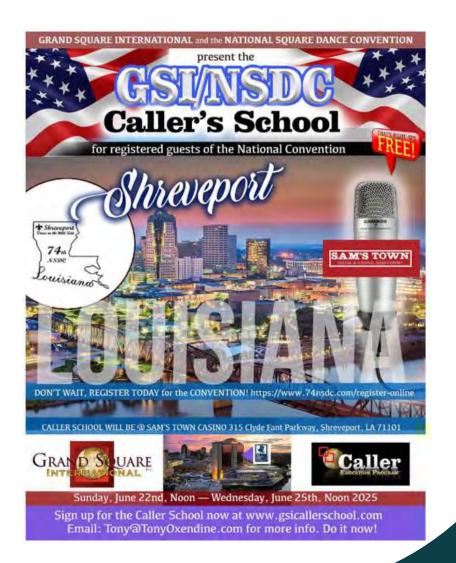
Square Dance Bash on the Bayou

Enjoy 4 days of camping fun with Square & Round Dancing, Line Dancing, Games, Campfires, Crafts, and some great Cajun Food at our Pot Lucks. Meet friendly fellow campers and enjoy some time between events to relax and visit area attractions.

Sign up for the Camporee and stay camped in the same site for both events.

GSI Callers School





Tuesday Night - Trail's End Dance Shreveport Convention Center





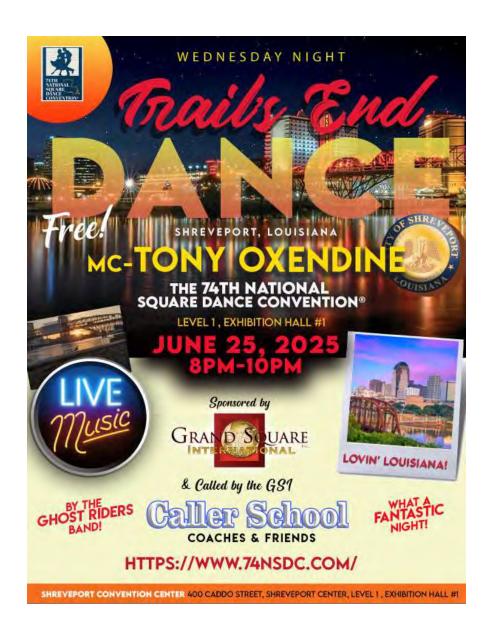


Wednesday Night – Dennis Swanberg Dinner & or Show

Dennis Swanberg, well-qualified to teach on marriage and family relationships, is happily married to his wife, Lauree, and is the proud father of two boys, Chad and Dustin. He hosts a nationally broadcast television show, Swan's Place, which is viewed by over 1,000,000 households, as well as writing Is Your Love Tank Full?, and Swan's Soup and Salad. A deeply loved pastor and popular quest on Dr. James Dobson's national broadcasts. Swanberg has been called "America's Minister of Encouragement" because of his constant work at lifting hearts and leading people to a richer life through his one-of-a-kind humor.



Wednesday Night Trails End Dance, after opening ceremony..



TOURS

Experience New Orleans

\$770-\$1050 per person June 22-25 4 days/3 nights

Arrive to New Orleans early to experience this fantastic trip before the convention starts. Upon your arrival, enjoy a steamboat dinner cruise and then rest in your hotel room at the historic French Quarter. The next day, experience the city with a tour on an air conditioned bus followed by a trip to Mardi Gras World and the WWII Museum. Later, enjoy a fine dining experience and a jazz show. The next day, you will experience the swamps of the South on an airboat tour followed by a tour of a historic plantation. In the evening, you will have some time to relax and take in the sites and sounds of the French Quarter on your own. The next morning, our air conditioned coach bus will transport you and your luggage to Shreveport to enjoy a fantastically wild convention. Space is limited for this incredible tour. Please book early.



Bowling After Party

\$40 per person June 27 10:30PM - 1AM

Just because the dancing is over for the night, the fun doesn't have to end. Join us at Holiday Lanes for a night of games and fun. This packages includes unlimited bowling and shoes, karaoke, and a snacks and ice cream sundae buffet. The theme for the night will be "luau" and prizes will be awarded for best dressed and theme-related games. The facility also includes an arcade and two full-service bars. Ample parking available on site, but let us bus you there for an additional \$5. Busing will run continuously throughout the evening. Come for an hour or stay all night!



Legalities

The 74th NSDC is not liable for any claims, damages, actions or causes of actions to person or property arising from or connected with the use of any services or facilities. All participants of activities do so at his or her own risk. This includes acts of active or passive negligence by agents or volunteers of the 74th NSDC.

Additionally, the 74th NSDC and any volunteers are not responsible to any person for loss of time or money due to a change or delay beyond our control.



Convention Tours

Dance on the Wild Side!

Please book ahead so that we can make sure we have a spot for you.

Beginning May 15, 2025 the 74th NSDC will have to cancel any tour that does not meet the minimum number of people. If we cancel your tour, we will give you a call to rebook or offer you a full refund. If you book a tour and have to cancel, a \$10 per person fee will be charged unless we can rebook your tour.

After May 15, 2025, no refunds offered.

Remember: the tour time is the time the bus leaves. Please arrive at least 15 min. prior to tour time.

For more info visit: 74nsdc.com/tours

TOURS



Shreveport City Tour

\$45 per person June 25, 26, 27 9AM - 11AM 11:30AM - 1:30PM June 28 9AM-11AM ONLY

Take a two hour tour of Shreveport's history and culture on an air conditioned coach bus. The story begins with the Caddo people and includes slavery and cotton, the war and post-war Jim Crow era, steamboats, oil and civil rights, music, food and architecture.

We will ramble on Texas St to the courthouse, the monument and continue to Texas Avenue, site of a huge part of the story.

The tour also includes a visit inside the Calanthean Temple and a circle out to Logan Mansion and Oakland Cemetery.



Gators and Friends Tour

\$27 per person June 25, 26 or 27 10:30AM - 3:30PM

Explore "Gators and Friends", an exciting and family-friendly attraction located in Greenwood, just outside of Shreveport. It offers visitors a unique opportunity to get up close and personal with a variety of wildlife, including alligators, exotic animals, and more. You can even grab a ride on a zip line for an additional fee. Refreshments available on site.



Down on the Farm

\$39 per person June 26 9AM - 1:30PM

Take a trip with us to Morell Dairy Farm, Northwest Louisiana's premier local dairy farm for Jersey milk, chocolate milk and butter. Start the morning off right, learning all about the innerworkings of a dairy farm, including milking the cows! After the tour, you will have the opportunity to purchase some of Morell Farm's quality products. Afterwards, enjoy a boxed lunch with the cows on the farm grounds. We will dance a tip or two at the farm before we head home. but no cow tipping please! Receive a special cow dangle for this one-time event. Space limited. Cost of lunch included in the tour.



Historic Natchitoches

\$75 per person June 25 or 26 8AM - 5:30PM

Visit historic Natchitoches, the oldest existing former French colony. Established in 1714 near the meandering Cane River, this town is full of old world charm. For our first stop, we will have a guided tour of Fort St. Jean Baptiste, a replica of the original French fort erected in 1716. We've even been promised to do a bit of dancing on the fort premises. Afterwards, we will go to the historic downtown where you can get lunch on your own and explore some of the historic sites or the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame. Later in the afternoon, we will get back on the bus for a two-hour city tour focusing on the history of Natchitoches as well as some of the filming locations for the famous movie "Steel Magnolias," starring Dolly Parton.



TOURS

Trail of Treats...... Shreveport-Bossier City

Happy Belly's Italian Ice

Try the huge selection of Italian ice and gelans with drive-thru convenience. Cuddoor seating available.



Happy Belly's Italian ice Factory 5710 Youree Dr. Stireveport, LA, US, 71105

The Chocolate Crocodile

The Chocolate Crocodile is a local chocolatier and ewest shop offering a wide selection of candied apples, homemade caramel, fudge, and chocolate-dipped items. Located at the Louisiana Boardwalk Outlets.



The Chocolate Crocodile 460 Boardwalk Blvd, Bossier City, LA, US, 71111 (318) 742-3316

Julie Anne's Bakery & Calé is a popular Shreveport turkery known for king cakes, cupicakes, cookies and custom cikes The bakery also features a diring roost where breakfast and lunch are served.



Julie Anne's Bakery & Cafe 125 Kings Highway, Shreveport, LA, U.S., 71104

Trail of Treats!



Streetcar Station

Streetcar Station serves up New Orleans style shaved ice with a variety of regular and cream flavors, Roman candy and New Orleans los Cream Company los cream. The interior of the space is reminiscent of the French Quarter in New Orleans and even includes a life-size streetcar for photo opps.



Streetcar Station

409 Barksdale Boulevard, Bossier City, LA, US, 71111



Ice-cream rolls, inspired and founded by the streets of Thailand, are rolled individually right in front of your eyes. Only the freshest ingredients are used, with no preservatives or stabilizers are added.



Yum Yum Dessert Bar

504 E Kings Hwy, Shreveport, LA, US, 71105

Lowder Baking

Lowder King Cakes is a commercial kitchen and a storefront bakery in the South Hightands neighborhood serving king cakes during Carrival season as well as fresh-baked breads, cookies, cookie cakes, seasonal bread specialties, and weekly specials all year long. Lowder King cakes' fresh-baked breads will be available for wholesale direct to local restaurants and caterers, and retail for customers to purchase daily.



Lowder Baking Co

4019 Fern Ave, Shreveport, LA, US, 71105 (318) 562-1150



Home of the "Humphrey Yogurt," this snack shop offers sandwiches and salads, as well as yogurt and so cream desserts.



Counter Culture

4800 Line Ave. Shreveport, LA. US, 71106 (318) 888-4242



Buttercups Cupcakes serves a wide variety of cupcakes. French macarons, cake pops and more, all of which are baked from scratch in-house, Vegan and gluten-free options are available. Buttercups Cupcakes was featured as a competitor on The Food Network's hit reality television show Cupcake Wars.



Buttercups Cupcakes

6535 Youree Dr. Shrevepott, LA, US, 71105



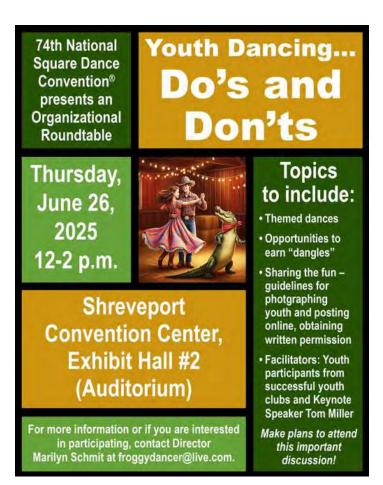
Sweetport is a local ice cream shop - on wheelst Serving traditional favorities and ice cream stuffed sno-cones. Sweetport offers flavors inspired by and named after local history and landmarks in Shreveport and Sossier City.



Sweetport

3301 Line Avenue, Shreveport, LA, US, 71104







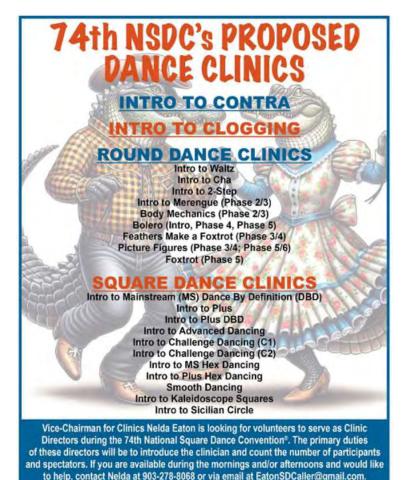
Sew N Save

The 74th NSDC Presents DANCE ON THE WILD SIDE **FASHION SHOW** Saturday, June 28, 2025 I pm to 2 pm Auditorium in Exhibit Hall 2









The 74th NSDC will be held June 25-28, 2025 in the Shreveport Convention Center.

Hello friends of the 74th NSDC!

We are Clogetta and Stomper! Our 74th NSDC friends Allie, 'Gator, and their cousin Diego, have been telling us all about the neat places they have been going and all of the "jawsome" people they have met while promoting the 74th National Square Dance Convention® in Shreveport, LA. Our new friends mentioned there will be CLOGGING at the NSDC! Who knew? Well, we LOVE to square dance but we also LOVE to clog, too!



We have our clogging shoes ready and we are ready to CLOG!

We thought it would be fun to tag along with them to get the word out about clogging. We heard a rumor from a very reliable source that there will be over 20 hours of clogging in one of the huge exhibit halls. There will be 3 Intro-to-Clogging clinics for anyone that has never tried clogging, and then there will be plenty more time for all levels of cloggers.

Are you already a clogger? Are you planning to come to

one of the Intro-to-Clogging clinics? If so, have your picture made with us as we travel around with our 74th NSDC friends and send it to Lanita Hammett, Director of Clogging. Her email is Lnthmmtt13@gmail.com. She really wants to see the fun people we meet and all the cool places

we have traveled. She will try to get your picture into one of the future issues of the National Squares e-Magazine.

Don't forget to bring your clogging shoes to the 74th NSDC to be held June 25-28, 2025 in the beautiful Shreveport Convention Center. We can't wait to see you there!



Allie helped us fill out our registration form for the 74th NSDC. Have you filled out yours? We can't wait!

74th National Square Dance Convention® Education Program



Would you like to build your skills to become a better leader?

Are you interested in enriching your knowledge about the operations of dance clubs and organizations?

Do you need resources to support and promote dancing in your area?

Do you need opportunities to exchange ideas with others about issues and challenges facing our activity?

The Leadership Certification Program may be for you!

- > Participate in Eight (8) Education Sessions at the National Square Dance Convention*
 - Mandatory Sessions (Bid Session and Keynote Address)
 - Core Sessions (select from a range of Education Classes)
 - 2 Elective Sessions (select from a range of Education Classes)
- Complete and submit the LCP worksheet available in the Education Office to obtain your Leadership Certification Program Certificate! (You have up to four years to complete the program.)
- > Go back and apply your new skills and knowledge within your club or organization!

Attend Gator University: Take a Bite Out of Your Leadership Goals!



Sally Schmidt

It's More Than Just a Dance

2 exhibition groups to put unique dance styles on display at the 74th NSDC

We know you will have a lot of opportunities for various types of dancing, workshops, and education classes while attending the 74th National Square Dance Convention® in Shreveport, LA, on June 25-28, 2025, but when you need a break or just to rest your feet come on over to the Shreveport Convention Center's Auditorium (Exhibit Hall 2) and watch the exhibition groups perform their routines. You will be treated to the unique dances of two groups, each putting their distinctive style of dancing on display - the California Heritage Dancers and River City Riders. The 74th NSDC's exhibition groups will be performing Thursday, June 26, and Friday, June 27. See the convention's Dailies schedules upon arrival for each performance group's days and times.

CALIFORNIA HERITAGE DANCERS

The California Heritage Dancers exhibition group anticipates doing three performances/programs at the 74th NSDC. One will be an hour-long program on the History of Square Dancing, another will be a historically accurate dance from the 1800s, and the third will be a dance specially adapted to fit the "Dance on the Wild Side" theme of the convention.

The California Heritage Dancers exhibition group has been performing since 1987; they will celebrate their 38th anniversary in October 2025.



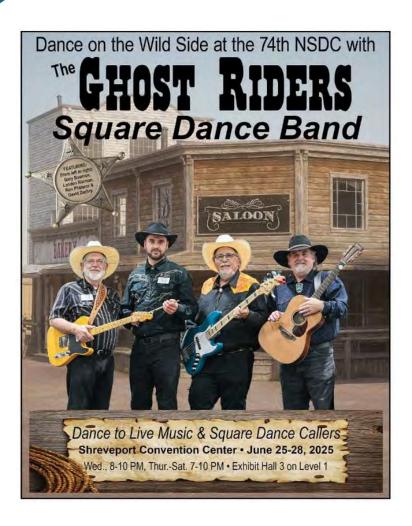
RIVER CITY RIDERS



The River City Riders (RCR) have galloped their way into your hearts at 12 national conventions, nine USA West Conventions, local festivals and many other events. According to lead riders, Jolene and Ed Cummings, the Oregon-based group originally formed in 2000 but were "corralled" for awhile before reorganizing in 2006. "Our club at that time was the River City Dancers. They put the idea together from what they saw at a county fair in Washington. Some guys with "horses" strapped on them were circulating

among the crowd. They went home and decided they could do this and perform with square dance moves!"

Ghost Riders Square Dance Band



Vendors and Showcase of Ideas

SUPPORT THE 74TH NSDC's **WILD SIDE VENDORS!**



OCATIO Exhibit Hall



SHOP ON

THE WILD

SIDE AT

HOURS

Thursday-Frida 10 am to 10 pn Saturday 10 am to 9 pm

1	Tag-Em! Engraving Bruce and Wanda Carter	Dripping Springs, TX 512-894-3634 wcdrip@gmail.co	
S	SuzieQCreations Susanelaine Packer	Orlando, FL 407-894-2227 suzieqcreations1@gmail.com	
1	Brantley's Western Supply Peggy and James Brantley	Rainsville, AL 256-638-4360 brantleys2@farmerstel.com	
k	Sew-Em-Up Fashions Nancy and Tom Pustinger	Roebuck, SC 864-978-3984 Nancyltom@att.net	
	Boone Healthy Living John and Tamsen Boone	Lilburn, GA 770-842-3935 Tamsenboone4@gmail.com	
	CALLERLAB Teresa Berger	Greenwood, IN 785-783-3665 info@callerlab.org	
1	Quiltedb Barbara Atwell	Gulfport, MS 775-772-3140 tmqbarb@gmail.com	
ay n	Maverick Man/ Kat's Artisan Jewelry Jerry and Kat Morris	Ringgold, GA 423-316-8998 yourmaverickman@gmail.com	
	Heartland Market Jackie Linville	Broken Bow, NE 308-750-0686 jackieheartland@gmail.com	
	Le Belle Design Fiona Au	Houston, TX 832-866-4593 fiona@lebelledesign.com	
	Rockin' Feet Vida Guillory	Carriere, MS 888-591-7071 vidavette@msn.com	
	Caller Training Program John Carlton, Ralph Trout	San Antonio, TX 210-521-4044 john r_carlton@hotmail.com	
1	Khatija's Heritage Designs Jan Flint	Knoxville, TN 865-387-1014 Jeflint331@gmail.com	

Check out the "jawsome" vendors who have already signed up for the 74th National Square Dance Convention® in Shreveport, LA on June 25-28, 2025! Whether you are seeking new dance clothing or shoes, a distinctive piece of jewelry, badges, accessories, dance leader material or more, stop by the vendor area to "Shop on the Wild Side" in the Shreveport Convention Center. We do have a few exhibition booths available for additional "jawsome" vendors. For more information, contact Rod and Kathy Busby, the 74th NSDC vice chairmen for vendors, at kebusby2001@yahoo.com.

Showcase of Ideas

Does your organization have great ideas for promoting square dancing?

- ☑ Have you tried some creative marketing strategies you'd like to share?
- ☑ Do you have a unique or fun process for promoting travel and visitations between clubs and among different associations?
- ☑ Have you done demonstrations or exhibition dances that were successful?
- ☑ Are you engaged in special social events or community service projects? If you could checkmark any of the above, please share in the 74th National Square Dance Convention*'s Showcase of Ideas!
- ☑ Would you like to gather ideas from other organizations?

If you answered yes to the above, please browse through the Showcase of Ideas exhibits while at the 74th NSDC in Shreveport, LA, June 25-28, 2025

The Showcase of Ideas is the place for you to share and to learn!

WHO can participate? Any local, regional, state, or national dance organization WHAT is it? A place for dance organizations to put up displays and share materials illustrating how the organization promotes and supports our favorite pastime! Some organizations add "give away" items such as stickers or pins to promote their area or organization

WHY have it? Dancers, clubs, and dance organizations are always looking for new ideas to promote our activity as well as invite others to visit their area and enjoy a dance

WHEN does it happen? The Showcase of Ideas is open for visitors all day on Thursday and Friday and until about 2 p.m. on Saturday during the convention. Organizations can check in and set up their displays on Wednesday afternoon.

WHERE will it be located? The Showcase of Ideas will be in Exhibit Hall 3 on Level One in the Shreveport Convention Center

HOW do we get involved? Invitation letters were distributed at the 73rd NSDC during Milwaukee in June 2024. If your organization did not pick up an invitation, or if you have questions and need additional information, contact Marilyn Schmit, Vice Chairman for the Showcase of Ideas, at froggydancer@live.com



out these exhibits from the 3rd NSDC Showcase of Ideas to



Questions?

Thank you

Ted & Tonia Hofmeister

General Chairman

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