

Events to be held at:
Astor's Beechwood
Glen Manor House
Rotunda Ballroom, Easton's Beach



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The Newport Vintage Dance Week
P.O. Box 9
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The Commonwealth Vintage Dancers
present the
22ND ANNUAL

NEWPORT VINTAGE DANCE WEEK



July 27 to August 2, 2009
Bristol and Newport, RI

NEWPORT VINTAGE DANCE WEEK

Travel back in time to the summer playground of the Gilded Age. Perfect your dancing skills with classes taught by leading experts on vintage dance. Experience the breathtaking opulence of America's finest ballrooms as you dance in Newport's famous mansions. Let yourself be immersed in a bygone era as you sip tea by the shore.



Photo by Wendy Allnut

CLASSES

Whether you are a seasoned dancer or have never danced before, you are sure to learn something new at the Newport Vintage Dance Week.

Enjoy the popular ballroom dances of the mid and late 19th century and ragtime eras including: waltz, polka, mazurka, galop, schottische, quadrille, tango, one-step, and more. Instruction is offered at beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels, with special emphasis placed on dances that will be featured during the week's balls. You will experience the delight and satisfaction of applying what you have studied at exquisite social events, while building upon your skills throughout the week.



Photo by Katy Bishop

2009 NEWPORT VINTAGE DANCE WEEK RESERVATION

Name(s) _____

Name(s) (as on nametag) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (day) _____ (eve) _____

E-mail _____

REGISTRATION STATUS:

- My registration partner is _____
 I am applying as a single.

ACCOMMODATION PREFERENCE:

- I would like to share a room with _____
 Please assign me a roommate.
 I (we) will make a reservation at the Baypoint Inn & Conference Center.
 (We cannot guarantee that all preferences will be available)

FEES AND ROOM PREFERENCE:

(All prices are **per person**, and include Tuition, Room & Board)
 A discount is offered if account is **paid in full by May 31**.

Bayside Dormitory (1 or 2 twin beds per room):

- Double Room (in a 2 or 3 bedroom apartment) at \$920 (\$895 before 5/31)
 Double Room Suite (in a 1 bedroom apartment) at \$975
 (\$950 if registration is received before 5/31)
 Single Room (3 bedroom apartment) at \$1,020 (\$995 before 5/31)
 Double Room as a single (2 bedroom apartment, no roommate) at \$1,305
 (\$1,280 if registration is received before 5/31)

Baypoint Inn & Conference Center (2 double beds per room):

Make room reservations directly by calling 401-683-3600 x9 before May 31!

- Baypoint Inn Double (double occupancy) at \$925 (\$900 before 5/31)
 Baypoint Inn Single (1 person per room) at \$1,225 (\$1,200 before 5/31)

Early Arrival, Sunday, July 26:

(per person, includes dinner Sunday and breakfast and lunch Monday)

- \$75 Double Room \$85 Double Room Suite
 \$85 Single Room \$139 Double Room as Single
 \$80 Baypoint Inn Double Room \$130 Baypoint Inn Single Room

Mail this reservation form and a deposit check for \$200 payable to CVD to:

**Newport Vintage Dance Week
 99 Malvern Street, Melrose, MA 02176**

RESERVATIONS

Reservations **must be accompanied by a \$200 deposit per person**, fully refundable until June 30th. **The balance must be paid by June 30th.** Please make all checks payable to: CVD. Registrations will be acknowledged as they are received. A printable registration form is available on our website (see below).

Lottery: The capacities of our historical venues limit the space for the dance week. A lottery for **all** who register singly will be held on May 9. Singles, not admitted in the lottery, will be placed on a waiting list and will be admitted (and notified) as they are matched with a single of the opposite gender. Every effort is being made to balance the sexes. Historically, we have had more women apply than men.

Registration Partners: A man and a woman who indicate each other on the registration form are registration partners. Please state clearly whether you wish to room together or not. Applying as partners places you under no specific obligation to the other person during the dance week but provides enough partners for everyone at all dances.

Singles: A man or woman registering without a partner of the opposite sex is a single. After the lottery, singles will be accepted only when an opposite-sex single applies. To avoid unpleasant delays in registration, reread the paragraph above about registration partners, and then find a partner!

For Further Information: visit www.VintageDancers.org/Newport
e-mail Newport@vintagedancers.org
write 99 Malvern Street, Melrose, MA 02176
or call Hannah Roberts Artuso at (781) 662-8344 before 10:00 pm ET please.

VOLUNTEERS

Newport Vintage Dance Week depends upon the generous assistance of its participants. You will be asked to volunteer to do two small jobs during the week. These include such tasks as ball set-up or clean-up or serving refreshments at an event. Jobs are designed to take a minimal amount of time and most do not require any special skill. The week simply could not be as great as it is without our wonderful volunteers!



Photo by Michael Bergman



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SPECIAL EVENTS

Balls have always been at the heart of Newport Vintage Dance Week. The much-loved *Astors' Beechwood* mansion, once the summer home of American tycoon John Jacob Astor, will once again host our 1890s ball. Easton's Beach *Rotunda Ballroom*, with its charming carousel, will be the site of the mid-19th century ball, and the ragtime era dinner dance will take place at the stunning *Glen Manor House*. The final event of the week will be an early twentieth century evening at the moving pictures. Dress in your best for a night out.



Photo by Michel Coelet

The opportunities for non-dancing activities abound. Tour a Gilded Age mansion, play lawn games, take tea, attend lectures on life in the nineteenth century, and find the perfect finishing touch for your costume at the famous vintage Swap and Sell.

Free time will be available for strolling in Victorian gradens, visiting Newport, playing a round of croquet, walking Newport's Cliff Walk, or just relaxing by the sea.

DANCE WEEK STAFF

Newport Vintage Dance Week offers you the rare opportunity to learn from some of the finest vintage dance instructors in the world. This year, we have gathered together a diverse staff whose specialties cover a wide range of vintage dance styles.

Hannah Roberts Artuso, Conference Coordinator, is co-director of The Commonwealth Vintage Dancers.

Marc Casslar, founder of the Vintage Dance Society (CT) and the performing troupe, Polite Society, has been involved in historic dance since 1977. He has taught locally in Connecticut, as well as at dance weeks and workshops throughout the U.S. and Japan. He researches period dances, performs, and choreographs for stage and screen. Marc will teach a ragtime class and a specialty class.

Susan de Guardiola is the director of the Elegant Arts Society (CT), a group recreating social dances of the early 19th century and other historical periods. She teaches regularly in New York City as well as at workshops and balls across the U.S. At Newport, she will teach a 19th century dance class.

Barbara M. Pugliese has researched 19th & 20th century dances and assisted her late husband, Patri, at workshops and dance weeks throughout the U.S. and Europe. Barbara lectures on a variety of topics including clothing and etiquette of the 19th century. She is co-director of The Commonwealth Vintage Dancers. She will teach a 19th century dance class and the quadrille class.

Joan Walton is a dance teacher and choreographer in the San Francisco area. She has taught classes in 19th century, ragtime, 1920s, and 1930s dance across the US, Australia and the Czech Republic. Joan was Assistant Director and dancer with the Flying Cloud Vintage Dance Troupe (OH) for ten years. She has held several visiting professorships of dance. She will teach a ragtime class and a specialty class.



Photo by Henri-Charles Bonnet

THE NEW CAMPUS AND HOW TO REACH IT

We have found an exciting new location for the conference: Roger Williams University (RWU). This 140-acre campus in charming Bristol, RI (just 5 minutes from our former home in Portsmouth) offers a beautiful coastal location overlooking Mount Hope Bay. The campus offers state-of-the-art facilities including air-conditioned dance studios, gyms and dormitories. All campus buildings are within walking distance of each other.

Accommodations

Our new accommodations offer comfortable, air-conditioned living. On campus, we'll be staying in Bayside, an apartment-style dormitory. There is also an option for hotel-style rooms in the University's Baypoint Inn & Conference Center, a five-minute drive from campus.

All Bayside apartments consist of one or more bedrooms with twin beds and spacious closets, a living room, bathroom and kitchenette. Most apartments are Quads. These house 4 people in two bedrooms. A limited number of Doubles, housing 2 people in 1 bedroom, and Quints, housing 5 people in 3 bedrooms, are available.

The Baypoint Inn rooms have 2 double beds and include continental breakfast. Reservations for the Inn must be made directly with the hotel at 401-683-3600 x9 (ask for a room in the "Vintage Dance" block).

All housing payments are made to CVD. Pricing for all options can be found on the registration page; please choose carefully as there are many options.

This year, we are able to offer pre-conference accommodations for Sunday, July 26, for an additional fee. Those wanting to spend Monday sightseeing in Newport may want to consider this option.

Meals

RWU's dining facility offers a variety of selections including a wide range of fresh, healthy, locally grown foods, and numerous vegetarian options. For Bayside apartment residents, meals from Monday dinner through Sunday breakfast are included in the registration fee. For Baypoint Inn residents, a continental breakfast will be provided at the hotel, with lunches and dinners served on campus.

Travel

Participants should plan to arrive on Monday afternoon. Registration will open at 4 pm. For those flying to the conference, T.F. Green Airport in Providence is the closest airport; Boston's Logan Airport is also an option. Registrants will receive more detailed information about the week's schedule and travel suggestions.



Photo by Hannah Artuso