



Round dance - choreographed ballroom dancing, couples progressing around the dance hall

Square dance - comprised of 4 couples forming a square

Line dance - single dancer, done in lines



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## Eastern Ontario Square & Round Dance Association



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EOSARDA:  
an association of square, round & line dance clubs in Eastern Ontario



The business, property and affairs of the Eastern Ontario Square and Round Dance Association (EOSARDA) are managed by a *Board of Directors*. The *Council of Dancers*, made up of representatives of the clubs in the Eastern Ontario area, elects the members to the Board. The *Council of Dancers* meets in April and November each year.

The *Board of Directors* consists of:

- Club members elected by the Council of Dancers,
- Representatives of the Ottawa Area Callers Association.

Other groups that work closely with EOSARDA:

- Canadian Square and Round Dance Society,
- Ontario Square and Round Dance Federation, and
- Ottawa Area Callers Association.

*As a new dancer, if you would like to help on one of the following committees or with the activities that we do, please contact [president@eosarda.ca](mailto:president@eosarda.ca)*



Square Line Round



The EOSARDA Board of Directors coordinates the following committees:

**Club Liaison:** Coordinates the New Dancer Recruitment and Dance Leader Bursaries, the New Dancer celebrations, the Dance Dangle program and recognition of special anniversaries and accomplishments and publishes the Square Time magazine.

**Dance:** Organizes EOSARDA dances, coordinates co-sponsored regional dances.

**Technology:** Designs, creates and maintains the Association's webpage, EOSARDA Bulletin distribution, provides advice and assistance to clubs about the creation of bulletins and the use of Zoom meetings.

**Executive:** Is comprised of the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary and Registrar, and attends to day-to-day business of the Association, i.e., administration of the scheduling conflict policy and coordination of the Trillium Awards nominations.

**Publicity:** Coordinates regional publicity initiatives, assists member clubs on matters regarding publicity and advertising, as well as dance demos, identifies and exploits opportunities to showcase square and round dancing in Eastern Ontario, and administers the EOSARDA Facebook page.



- **DANCES:** EOSARDA organizes dances that are aimed at bringing dancers together from all over. Dancers are encouraged to attend in order to experience a variety of dance leaders and to hone their skills.
- **SQUARE TIME:** Published four times a year, the magazine is an informative collection of coming events, club news and notices of meetings. Items are often included from the Callers, the EOSARDA President, and articles of local, national and international interest to our dancers.
- **INSURANCE:** Liability insurance is coordinated for member clubs, their dancers and dance leaders, and for EOSARDA directors. The policy is held by the Canadian Square and Round Dance Society.
- **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:** Provided for clubs that advertize as part of their New Dancer Recruitment plan, and for new and existing dance leaders who take courses to improve their skills.
- **EQUIPMENT:** Music equipment is made available for clubs and dance leaders as backup, or when needed for special occasions.
- **AWARDS & RECOGNITION:** Recognition and support is given to members who have given exceptional or long service support at a sustained high level to the dance community, and who are nominated for recognition by their peers.
- **DANCE DEMOS:** Requests for music and dancers for demonstrations at large functions and festivals are coordinated by EOSARDA. These provide good publicity and help to raise awareness in the community. In addition, clubs often perform local demonstrations at nursing homes and retirement residences to provide entertainment and a social time for residents.