



The Event:

CLOG/NCHC proudly presents the 2010 USA National Clogging Championships, September 4-5, 2010, in Nashville Tennessee at the Nashville Convention Center! Our previous plans were to be at Opryland but Mother Nature thought differently. The hotel is closed until November due to the May flooding. The downtown area is full of life.

We invite you to join fellow clogging enthusiasts for a memorable weekend in Music City as clogging groups, duos and solos compete for the title of USA National Champions. It's a best of the best championship in both traditional and contemporary clog dance. From start to finish, experience the thrill of American clog dance in Nashville, TN.

Consider a sampling of the features:

- USA National Championship Honors
- Unique Awards & Trophies
- Spacious Raised Stage
- Early Registration Discounts
- Lots of activities in Downtown Nashville, Wild Horse Saloon, and awesome restaurants.
- And much much more.....

Don't miss out! Make plans to attend today. Be sure and book your hotel rooms early as rooms will sell out!!!! **Cut-off for room rate is Wednesday, August 11, 2010.** After this date, the rate will be very high!

Accommodations: Cut-off for room rate is Wednesday, August 11, 2010 at 5 PM.

**Both hotels have web links on www.clog.org You can reserve your rooms online anytime of the day and get the CLOG rate!
Click on the championship buttons.**

Host Hotels -

The **Renaissance Nashville** in downtown Nashville, TN will serve as one of the host hotels for the USA National Championships, offering event attendees a special "clogging event" rate of only \$109 per night (+ tax 1 - 4 ppl per room) Connected to the convention center!
Reservation Number: **1-800-266-9432** Group Name: National Clogging Championships
Renaissance Nashville Hotel • 611 Commerce Street • Nashville, TN 37203

Please be advised the hotel self **parking rate** is \$8 per day with NO in out privileges. \$27 for valet parking

All reservations for arrival must be accompanied by a deposit equal to one night's room and tax or guaranteed with a major credit card. Any cancellations or early departures without a 72-hour notice advance notice will result in the forfeiture of the one night deposit or charge to the credit card.

The **Sheraton Downtown Nashville** in downtown Nashville, TN will also serve as one of the host hotels for the USA National Championships, offering event attendees a special "clogging event" rate of only \$109 per night (+ tax 1 - 4 ppl per room) One block from the convention center.
Reservation Number: 1-800-447-9825 Reference: Clogging
Sheraton Downtown Nashville • 623 Union Street • Nashville, TN 37219

Please be advised the hotel self **parking rate** is \$20 per day. \$24 for valet parking (rate subject to change)

If you check out of the Sheraton prior to the reserved checkout date, an early departure fee of \$50 will be charged to your account. To avoid this fee advise before or at check-in.

Competition Location – The Nashville Convention Center, 601 Commerce St • Nashville, TN 37203

Guidelines: Please refer to the NCHC Rules which can be found at: <http://www.clog.org/NCHC/index.html>

Bi-Level Championship: The 2010 USA National Clogging Championships offers two levels of competition in many categories. The contestant and or director determine level. The Challenge Level is offered for contestants with less competition experience. The Masters Level is offered for contestants with more competition experience.

Awards: We offer not only age division awards but also National Champion awards in each category for both 14 and under and 15 & up in the team events. There will be a Grand Champion dance-off for contemporary as well as traditional teams.

Registration Deadlines: as follows: Registration Form enclosed.

Prompt - Received/Postmarked By August 11, 2010

Regular - Received/Postmarked After August 11, 2010

Participant Registration: Participant entries are \$15 per person, per category by August 11, 2010 and \$20 per person, per category after August 11, 2010.

Spectator Registration: Adult (13 & over) spectator passes are \$5 per day by August 11, 2010 and \$7 per day thereafter. Child (6 to 12) spectator passes are \$4 per day by August 11, 2010 and \$4 per day thereafter. No charge for children spectators under age 6. Seating is general admission.

Earn FREE Spectator Registration: We need parents to work the door for security during the event. Work a 2 hour shift and get FREE spectator admission for the whole weekend. Up to a \$20 savings!

Email Susan at clog@clog.org with desired days and morning or afternoon. This is offered on a first come first serve basis. They will be able to see the clogging during their work shift! These slots filled up very quickly last year.

On-site Registration: Event registration will be located Nashville Convention Center downstairs outside the West Hall and available Friday 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Saturday 7:30 am to noon and Sunday 7:30 am to noon. It is to your advantage to register on Friday evening.

Scores: Group and Duo score postings and score sheets will be available for viewing. Solo score postings and score sheets will not be provided.

Vendors: Vendors will be located at the event. Contact Terry Glass at glassterrygenera@bellsouth.net for vending information and fees.

All Star Team: See All Star Team information.

Personal Video Camera Policy: Personal video cameras will be allowed, however on a limited basis. All video cameras must be registered with the event. Cameras may not obstruct the view of any contestant or spectator and must be battery operated. Video registration fees are \$15 per video camera. Group Directors with at least one group entry in the 2010 USA National Championship will receive one complimentary video pass. All videos must be tagged to video. Videoining allowed only in designated areas.

Event Video/DVD's: The 2010 USA National Clogging Championships will offer event video & dvd packages for attendees.

Personal Program Messages: The 2010 USA National Clogging Championships will offer participants, spectators and family members the opportunity to place personal messages in the Official Event Souvenir Program. This is your way to wish your favorite group, director, dancer or family member the best of luck. Just forward your messages along with \$5 per message to the USA National Championships, c/o Susan Phillips, 2986 Mill Park Court, Dacula, GA 30019 or clog@clog.org. Each message can be up to 25 words in length.

Dance Order: Entries will be programmed with random computer placement. Enter early and save with registration discounts.

Music: Group & Duo contestants must provide all music either on a compact disc (CD) or high quality cassette tape [one song per tape, cued and ready to play]. Variable speed CD players and cassette players will be available for use. Please have backup music sources available. Speed checks will be provided prior to performance. No on stage sound checks planned. Music for solos, short duos and special events will be provided by the event.

Qualification:

Groups & Duos - Just place 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in your age division within a qualifying category at any NCHC Qualifying Event by July 31, 2010. Entries competing in the National Championships must have at least 51% of the dancers that originally qualified. A list of qualifying events is available online. Note: NCHC is also extending an invitation to the division winners of the 2009 USA National Clogging Championships that were held in Nashville.

Solos & Acapella Teams - Accepting open entry / No pre-qualification or pre-requisite necessary

All Star Team - Accepting open entry from participants of the 2010 USA National Clogging Championships.

Traditional Categories – Accepting open entry from participants of the 2010 USA National Clogging Championships. (Any category with figure requirements)

Sites in Nashville: *The Grand Ole Opry* is across the street from the Nashville Convention Center at the Historic Ryman Auditorium. Wild Horse Saloon and numerous restaurants, clubs and “honky tonks” are within walking distance of the hotels.

See the www.clog.org for additional local information.

Directions to the USA National Clogging Championships

PLEASE COPY AND DISTRIBUTE TO YOUR DANCERS

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See below for directions, and be sure to print an Area Map for your journey.

Sheraton Downtown Nashville • 623 Union Street • Nashville, TN 37219

For Mapped Directions:

<http://www.starwoodhotels.com/sheraton/property/area/directions.html?propertyID=1236>

From Nashville Metropolitan Airport

Take Interstate 40 West toward Nashville. Continue to the Church Street exit (exit 209). Turn right onto Church Street and continue to 7th Avenue. Turn left on 7th Avenue and proceed to the parking garage located 1/2 block down on the right.

From Southeast

Take Interstate 24 West toward Nashville. Merge onto Interstate 40 West and continue to Church Street (Exit 209). Turn right onto Church Street and continue to 7th Avenue. Turn left onto 7th Avenue. The hotel is 1/2 block down on the right.

From North

Take Interstate 65 South to the Church Street Exit (Exit 209). Turn left onto Church Street and continue to 7th Avenue. Turn left on 7th Avenue and continue to the parking garage located 1/2 block down on the right.

From West

Take Interstate 40 East towards Nashville. Take the Church Street Exit (Exit 209) and turn left onto Church Street. Continue to 7th Avenue and turn left. The parking garage is 1/2 block down on the right.

From Northwest

Take Interstate 24 East toward Nashville. Merge onto Interstate 65 South and continue to Church Street (Exit 209). Turn left onto Church Street and proceed to 7th Avenue. Turn left onto 7th Avenue. The hotel is 1/2 block down on the right.

From South

Take Interstate 65 North toward Nashville. Continue to the Church Street Exit (Exit 209) and turn right onto Church Street. Continue to 7th Avenue and turn left. The parking garage is 1/2 block down on the right.

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For exact directions to the hotel, visit their web site at this address:

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/maps/directions/bnash-renaissance-nashville-hotel/>

From Nashville Metropolitan Airport

From Int'l A/P; I-40 West to Exit 209A Broadway, turn right on Broadway to 7th Ave., turn left on 7th Ave., go 1 block to Commerce St. Hotel on corner of 7th Ave. and Commerce.

This hotel does not provide shuttle service.

Grayline Airport Express Services Both Hotels for a Fee Of: 12 USD; Hours: 6:00 AM to 11:00 PM

Airport shuttle tickets may be purchased from Grayline Airport Express at the baggage claim area inside the airport.

Estimated taxi fare: 20.00 to 24.00 USD (one way)