

DON'T MISS OUR NEXT WEBINAR – SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2023

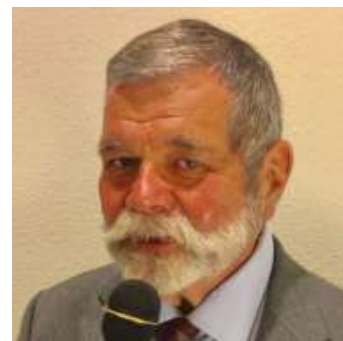
Topic: USDA'S Beyond the Dance Floor: Creating A Welcoming Dance Environment for All

Program Description: As an international organization committed to building, promoting, and sustaining the beloved recreation of Modern Western Square Dancing and the art and craft of square dance calling, CALLERLAB has created a set of documents to help callers, organization leaders and dancers in providing and supporting a welcoming dance environment where all dancers can enjoy the activity in a safe, nurturing, secure, and pleasant atmosphere.

In the spring of 2018, the CALLERLAB Board of Governors updated the CALLERLAB Code of Ethics to include the following item: 5. Provide a safe and welcoming environment for all. I am committed to providing an environment free from sexual and other forms of harassment or bullying without bias based on race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, or disability, and always be respectful of the hearts and spirits of others. Expanding on this commitment, it is our goal for all participants to have a pleasant social experience while attending square dance events. In support of this goal, CALLERLAB will provide its members and the greater square dance community with guidelines, information, and educational opportunities to assist them in preventing, recognizing, addressing, and eliminating inappropriate behavior.

The discussion will focus on a review of the CALLERLAB documents described above.

Faculty: Harlan Kerr is a member of the CALLERLAB Board of Governors, and in 2017 was a recipient of CALLERLAB Chairman's Award of Excellence for Outstanding Contribution to CALLERLAB. He is the immediate past Chairman of CALLERLAB and is a long-time active member of GCA – the Gay Callers Association. Harlan calls for several clubs in the San Francisco Bay Area where he is based.



Philosophy/Slogans: The first job of a caller is to make sure dancers have fun and enjoy the dance. What this takes varies with each dance program and each unique dance floor.

Date: August 19, 2023

Time:	2:00 PM Eastern (US & Canada)	11:00 AM Pacific
	1:00 PM Central	10:00 AM Alaska
	12:00 PM Noon Mountain	9:00 AM Hawaii

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