

**Footnotes Tap Ensemble:**

Tina Allen  
Carla Barcelos  
Mimi Benjamin\*  
Alexis Dunkle  
Whitney Goodman  
Zans McLachlan

Shannon Mølhave  
Erin O'Reilly  
Mary F. Peña  
Dana Taylor  
Tiffany Wheeler  
Robin Vail

\*guest dancer



*Live Rhythms, Fayetteville, NC*

"Footnotes brings a charming warmth  
and a real groove to the stage!"

-Michelle Dorrance

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"Finally, a talented adult rhythm tap company doing serious work. A wonderful alternative in our dance community."

-Gene Medler  
Director, North Carolina  
Youth Tap Ensemble

**Footnotes Tap Ensemble**, a non-profit professional tap company, was founded by Robin Vail and Mimi Benjamin in 2002. The Ensemble's mission is to promote, educate and perform this truly unique American dance art through annual ensemble concerts, community concerts and tap workshops. The Ensemble continues to gain recognition throughout the Triangle, and the tap community for its varied and highly acclaimed repertoire and affordable workshops teaching "classic tap." Footnotes has commissioned works from Michelle Dorrance, Josh Hilberman, Robert Perera, Dorothy Wasserman, Lane Alexander and Gene Medler, Director of the highly acclaimed North Carolina Youth Tap Ensemble (NCYTE).

The Ensemble frequently collaborates with other dance companies and musicians and has shared the stage with the African American Dance Ensemble, ChoreoCollective, NickWalk Dance Project and NCYTE. Footnotes has performed with Bela Fleck & the Flecktones at the Carolina Theatre in Durham and produced the joint concert *Rhythm in Time, A Tap Concert* with NCYTE. As featured in *Rhythm in Time*, the Ensemble seeks to preserve historic tap choreography of the masters and teach it to other dancers. The Ensemble has produced and performed *Live Rhythms*, featuring all live music in Chapel Hill (2007), Durham (2008) and Fayetteville (2009). Footnotes has received grants from the Durham Arts Council, Mary Duke Biddle Foundation, Orange County Arts Commission, Wal-Mart, North Carolina Dance Alliance, the Durham Merchants Association, Boeing Inc., Strowd Roses Inc. and the Puffin Foundation Ltd. For more information on upcoming events and how to book Footnotes, see our website at [www.footnotestapensemble.org](http://www.footnotestapensemble.org)



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**Selected Historic Choreography:**

- Eddie Brown Chorus* (Eddie Brown)
- Laura* (Buster Brown)
- 12th Street Rag* (Zita Harris)
- Doin' the new Low Down* (Bill Robinson)
- Paddle & Roll* (Carnell Lyons)
- Coming Home* (Danny Daniels)
- Dorothy's Shim-Sham* (Dorothy Wasserman)

**Selected Contemporary Choreography:**

- They All Laughed* (Michelle Dorrance)
- Sinister Minister* (Gene Medler)
- Allepaca* (Robert Perera)
- All That Jazz* (Robin Vail)
- Suite for Flute and Piano* (Mimi Benjamin)
- Bop!* (Erin O'Reilly)
- Do Your Thing!* (Dorothy Wasserman)
- In the Mood* (Robin Vail)
- Meron Nign* (Mimi Benjamin)
- Capella Josh* (Josh Hilberman)

**Booking Information:**

Footnotes is available to perform for special events, community festivals, long-term care facilities and hospitals. The Ensemble also is available to come to your studio to teach classic and/or contemporary choreography. Contact Robin Vail for further information.

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The Ensemble uses funds to support our administrative and operating expenses such as postage, copying, costumes, etc. Make your tax-deductable donation today!

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*With dedication to their craft and lots of hard work, the members of Footnotes are performing two valuable services: keeping the profile of tap high through performance and out-reach, and ensuring the future of tap by commissioning new tap repertory. And they are fun!"*

*-Josh Hilberman*

**Robin Vail, Artistic Director**

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