



# Footnotes News

Noteworthy notes and news of the Footnotes kind.  
Produced quarterly by Footnotes Tap Ensemble.  
The Triangle's only adult non-profit professional tap company!



## Coming up:

**Oct. 24, 5:30pm**  
NCDA Choreographers Showcase  
Blackbox Theatre  
Northwest School of the Arts  
Charlotte, NC

**Nov. 14, 2:00pm**  
Galloway Ridge  
Community Concert  
Pittsboro, NC

**Dec. 16, 7:00pm, Free!**  
*Nine Ladies Tapping & a Guy*  
Community Concert  
Carolina Inn  
Chapel Hill, NC

**CenterFest—Durham**  
Each fall over 150 artists, craftsmen, and performers from all over the country gather in Downtown Durham for the annual CenterFest Arts Festival, sponsored by the Durham Arts Council. This year's event on September 19<sup>th</sup> was Footnotes' 5<sup>th</sup> performance at the Festival, which is always one of our favorite venues. CenterFest draws a diverse and enthusiastic crowd and this year, as in years past, we were graced with picture-perfect weather. We performed several of our contemporary pieces, as well as a few classics, including acapella and upbeat-music numbers.

**SPARKcon—Raleigh, NC**  
Footnotes made its first appearance at the annual Raleigh SPARKcon festival on Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. SPARKcon is a grassroots showcase of local talent and creativity that occurs in downtown Raleigh each Fall. Mimi, Shannon and Erin headed from our afternoon performance at CenterFest in Durham to the outdoor evening event in Raleigh. We performed a series of duets and trios on a fairly small stage to a fairly large crowd, many of whom were seeing us for the first time. We loved performing outside at night and hope to do it again soon!

**Annual Diversity Fair – Durham VA Medical Center**  
On September 24<sup>th</sup>, Footnotes had the pleasure of performing at the Annual Diversity Fair at the Durham VA Medical Center. The Fair was held outdoors on a beautiful day, and showcased various performing and visual artists from the Triangle. The Ensemble enjoyed a warm reception from doctors, staff and patients alike. The dancers performed a set that included some brand new (over)



CenterFest, Durham, NC

## Footnotes Tap Ensemble Dancer Profile: Heather Justus

**Favorite childhood memory:** Family vacations, whether it be our yearly trip to Topsail Beach, NC or our two-week trip out west.

**Biggest tap influence:** Gene Medler. I started taking lessons from him in second grade and he really has taught me most of what I know!

**Music you like to play while driving:** Any pop music I can sing and dance to.

**Play an instrument?** Only my feet!

**Favorite season:** Spring. Love the bright green leaves and the return to warm weather.

**Favorite hobby:** Watching UNC basketball!

**Favorite animals:** My two dogs. Caliente, my spicy red-headed mix, and Tess, a German shorthaired pointer.

**Favorite food:** Too many to name! But generally anything with cheese is awesome.

**What do you like to do when you're not tap dancing?** I love traveling across the country and hiking in our National Parks. My husband and I are also new parents to 4-month old Benjamin so he really has been taking up most of our time lately!



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pieces as well as some favorite classics. Much fun was had by all!

## Triangle Heart Walk

On September 27<sup>th</sup>, Footnotes headed to the RBC Center to perform at the 2009 Triangle Heart Walk. The mission statement of the Heart Walk is "building healthier lives free of cardiovascular disease and stroke."



Triangle Heart Walk, Raleigh, NC

Footnotes presented two acapella pieces at the opening ceremonies before walkers hit the pavement for this worthy cause. As we know well tapping is one great way to have fun and maintain a healthy heart!

## Footnotes Tap Ensemble Dancer Profile: Mary Peña

**Started dancing at age:** As soon as I could walk!

**Favorite tap dancers or influences:** Fred Astaire, Ginger Rogers and Gene Kelly.

**If your tap shoes could be any color, what color would they be:** Red

**Favorite song or type of music you like to dance to:** Latin.

**Day Job:** Attorney

**Favorite place to visit or have traveled to:** Switzerland

**Favorite movie:** "Pride and Prejudice"

**Best moment tap dancing or performing:** Don't have a favorite—I just love performing and dancing when and wherever!



## Fundraising News:

Here are several ways you can support the company:



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stores participating with the iGive and GoodShop websites will donate a percentage of your purchase to Footnotes!



**Search the Internet using Good-Search.com.**

Use the Good-Search.com website as your online search tool, type in Footnotes as the charity to benefit and we get a donation every time you search!



**Hire Footnotes!**

We are available for your special event and can design a concert to fit your needs.



## Classics Days!

Do you know someone that owns a dance studio? Footnotes has taught at several studios throughout the state teaching classic tap workshops. The Ensemble has traveled to Wilson, Fayetteville, Roxboro, Holly Springs, Chapel Hill and Durham, to teach classic tap routines and choreography. Contact us or see our website for further information.



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