



# GCA CALLER SCHOOL 2024

Monday, July 1 - Thursday, July 4, 2024  
21c Durham Museum Hotel, Durham, North Carolina

## The GCA Caller School Has Something For Everyone!

### For Beginners

- How to move dancers
- Working with Music
- Creating and Delivering Choreography
- Sight Calling Basics
- Work through your material at the mike or in one-on-one sessions
- More advanced instruction in all aspects of the art of calling

### For Everyone

- Sight calling techniques
- Reading and writing choreography
- Equipment usage
- Microphone technique
- Vocal instruction
- Creating choreography
- Programming dances
- Showmanship
- Caller culture and etiquette
- Callers' associations
- Responsibilities to the dancers
- **Plenty of microphone time for all students**



*Patty Greene, Caller Coach  
Monroe, NC*

Patty is known for her singing, sense of humor, and love of dancers. She has been calling since 1996, and enjoys teaching new dancers. She has served on the Board of Governors and Executive Board of Callerlab, and is the second woman ever elected to be the Callerlab Chairman of the Board (and the first to complete two terms). She has been a panelist at the national convention and the CALLERLAB convention, and while in New England was a NECCA-approved education specialist, speaking on the role of computers in square dancing, which she presented to caller and dancer organizations throughout New England. She currently lives in Monroe, NC.



*Allan Hurst, Teaching Assistant, Sacramento, CA*

Allan Hurst has been dancing since 1995 and calling since 1997. He currently serves on the CALLERLAB Marketing Committee, and has presented as a panelist and/or moderator at multiple CALLERLAB Conventions. He is the editor of the GCA's technical journal, the GCA Call Sheet. Allan has spent many years teaching and calling at multiple IAGSDC clubs in the San Francisco Bay Area, as well as several clubs in the Chicago area. In April of 2022, he moved to Sacramento, where he is now the primary club caller for Capital City Squares.

***Betsy Gotta will be the second coach if enrollment is high enough; TA TBD.***



*Betsy Gotta, CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach  
North Brunswick, NJ*

Betsy Gotta has been square dancing since 1952 and calling since 1962. As a full-time caller Betsy currently calls regularly for 5 square dance clubs, calls all programs from Contra through C-3B and is a Callerlab Accredited Caller Coach. Averaging approximately 225 dances/classes per year, she has also attended the last 57 consecutive National Square Dance conventions, and called at the last 55 of them. Betsy is a former Vice-Chairman of CALLERLAB, served 24 years on the Board of Governors, served two terms on the Executive Committee, was a member of the Executive Committee of Legacy, is Chairman of ARTS-Dance. In 2016, at the CALLERLAB convention in Virginia, Betsy was awarded CALLERLAB's Lifetime Membership Gold Card for her dedicated and outstanding service to CALLERLAB. She currently lives in North Brunswick, NJ.



## Your Tuition Fee Includes

- 3 days of instruction by our excellent Caller Coaches
- Personal attention from our superb Teaching Assistant
- CALLERLAB New Caller Kit (Beginners)
- Choreographic Checkers (Beginners)
- Personalized vocal coaching

## Payment

### Full registration: US\$75

**Register online or using the form to the right. Mail a check** (with the completed form if you didn't register online) made payable to **GCA** to:

GCA  
% 177 Baltimore Ave  
Massapequa, NY 11758

Scholarships are available, details at [gaycallers.org](http://gaycallers.org).

## All Join Hands and All Join Hands Canada

*The caller coaches' and teaching assistants' expenses have been paid by tax-deductible donations, to the extent allowable by law, to All Join Hands Foundation. For more information about All Join Hands Foundation or how you can make a donation or add a standard codicil to your will, please visit their website at [www.alljoinhands.org](http://www.alljoinhands.org).*



# REGISTRATION FORM

(or register online at [gaycallers.org](http://gaycallers.org))

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you attended Caller School before?

This is my first time attending GCA Caller School.

I have attended GCA Caller School before.

I have attended another Caller School before.

Do you own CALLERLAB's Starter Kit for New Callers?

No

Yes

Have you done any calling before?

I have never done any calling before

I have done some square dance calling in the past

I have done a lot of calling.

If you have done some calling in the past, when & how often do you call?

What would you like to see covered in this Caller School?

Will your partner be accompanying you to the school?

Yes  No

If so, will your partner be willing to dance during the school?

Yes  No