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Saturday, July 10, 2021

"Tap it Out" in Times Square and USPS Tap Dance Stamp Dedication

Company: The American Tap Dance Foundation  
 Venue: Times Square - Father Duffy Square  
 Location: New York, NY

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Photo - Amanda Gentile

[The American Tap Dance Foundation's TAP IT OUT](#) will return with a LIVE PERFORMANCE IN THE MIDDLE OF TIMES SQUARE on Saturday, July 10 at 11:30am. This FREE, PUBLIC EVENT, in Father Duffy Square/ Times Square/ Broadway, 7th Ave & W 47th St, will mark the conclusion of *TAP CITY, The New York City Tap Festival*.

At 11:30am on July 10, the *Tap it Out* event will present tap dancers on individual portable boards in a structured improvisation, followed by unison choreography and the "[Shim Sham Shimmy](#)." At noon, THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE will present a Commemorative Forever® Stamps First Day of Issue Dedication Ceremony for their [new series of stamps in honor of tap dance](#)

Each stamp features a photograph of one of five NYC tap dancers (Ayodele Casel, Dormeshia, Derick K. Grant, Michela Marino-Lerman and Max Pollak) performing their craft against a brightly colored background that highlights the dancer's shaping and movement. The stamp's photographer Matthew Murphy, and several of the dancers pictured on the stamps, will be in attendance.

The stamp issue goes on sale at post offices across the United States on Saturday, July 10th. To support the ceremony, the new stamps will be available for purchase in the USPS retail mobile truck located on the corner of 46th Street/7th Avenue.

According to USPS, "*By featuring photographs of these talented dancers, the U.S. Postal Service intends to honor this important American dance form, and, by extension, all tap dancers, past and present, who have made tap dancing a dynamic art that continues to evolve in response to new cultural influences.*"

The July 10 live *TAP IT OUT* dance performance and tap dance stamp dedication marks the conclusion of the American Tap Dance Foundation's week-long annual *TAP CITY FESTIVAL* (July 5-10). *Tap City, The New York City Tap Festival* offers 35 master classes, daily community talks, and exclusive nightly events, shows and talkbacks. New York City is heralded as the "hometown" of tap dance, with historic Broadway theaters contributing greatly to the art form's evolution. *This year, TAP CITY, New York City's premiere tap dance festival, will celebrate its 20th anniversary.* Master of Ceremonies: Tony Waag, Founding Artistic/Executive Director, American Tap Dance Foundation, Inc. For more information, visit <http://atdf.org> *TAP CITY*

SATURDAY, JULY 10

11:30 AM to 12:00PM, ET - Tap Dance Performances

12:00-12:30PM ET - Commemorative Forever® Stamps First Day of Issue Dedication Ceremony

TAP IT OUT – TAP CITY, THE NEW YORK CITY TAP FESTIVAL

Father Duffy Square/ Times Square/ Broadway

7th Ave & W 47th St

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