



GCA CALLER SCHOOL 2023

Sunday, July 2 - Tuesday, July 4, 2023
Westin Hotel Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

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**



*Barry Clasper, CALLERLAB Accredited Caller Coach
Toronto, Ontario, Canada*

Barry started calling in 1984. He's called at weekends and conventions in 8 provinces, DC, and 27 states, as well as Germany, Sweden, Denmark, Japan, England, the Czech Republic, Taipei, Beijing and New Zealand. Barry is a member of CALLERLAB and the Gay Callers Association. Within CALLERLAB he is a past Chairman of the Board (2013-2015), has served on the Executive Committee (2011-2017) and has been a member of the Board of Governors since 2009. He has written articles for Zip Coder, The Call Sheet and American Square Dance Magazine. In 2018, Barry and his wife Pam received the prestigious Golden Boot at the IAGSDC convention in Seattle. In 2022, Pam and Barry were honored with the CALLERLAB Milestone award. As a dancer, Barry loves choreography that is smooth and flowing yet also provides some mental stimulation and the occasional surprise. When calling, he strives to create this effect through smooth danceable choreography flavored with a bit of unusual positioning to create a dance experience containing both physical and mental elements.



Ken Sale, Teaching Assistant, Castro Valley, CA

Ken started square dancing in 1995 and the first convention he attended was San Francisco in 1996; then he was hooked. After attending a couple of caller schools Ken got a chance to jump right in taking over a C1 and C2 club. Whenever he calls his goal is to help insure that what's going on on the floor is dancing: most of the people,

Don Moger will be the second coach if enrollment is high enough; TA TBD.



Don Moger, Caller Coach, Montréal, Québec, Canada

Don started dancing in 1975, and began his calling career by teaching a group of teens to square dance in the same year. Don has called at events throughout Canada, many U.S. states, and England, Germany, Denmark, Sweden, France, Austria, the Czech Republic, the Netherlands, and Norway. He has also appeared on four television shows to promote Square Dancing. Don is a member of GCA and CALLERLAB, and he has held executive positions on MASDA, CVCA, and MACA.



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.

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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.



REGISTRATION FORM

(or register online at 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