

TAP DANCING

Tap dancing began in the United States of America. Tap is a dance where dancers use their body movements and the sounds made from their shoes in the dance. In tap dancing, it is important for dancers to have the sounds made from their shoes go along with the music.

Tap dancing is a mix of different dances. Dances include Irish jigs, English clogging, and African tribal dances. The dance developed in the New York City's Five Points District. In this area, it was very urban and crowded. Many cultures came together to develop this new form of dance.

Shoes are very important in tap dancing. The shoes have aluminum tapes that are attached to the soles of the shoes. Dancers make different tapping sounds with their shoes as they dance.

Tap dancing can be seen in movies, TV shows, and on Broadway. May 25 is even National Tap Dance Day in the United States. This unique form of dance has come about through the merging of many cultures.

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