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DJ SCHEDULE

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

- 08/03 SATURDAY**
—>DJ Xwest
- 08/04 SUNDAY**
—>DJ Frankie D
- 08/05 MONDAY**
—>DJ Stargazer
- 08/10 SATURDAY**
—>NO SKATING / SUSAN G. KOMAN Race For the Cure
- 08/11 SUNDAY**
—>NO SKATING /
- 08/17 SUNDAY**
—>NO SKATING
- 08/18 MONDAY**
—>NO SKATING
- 08/24 SATURDAY**
—>DJ Dracula
- 08/25 SUNDAY**
—>DJ Shan S
- 09/01 SATURDAY**
—>DJ TBD
- 09/02 SUNDAY**
—>DJ Jay Stewart

THE CENTRAL PARK SKATE CIRCLE

takes place most Saturdays, Sundays and major holidays in 2022 from April 9th through October 30th. The music plays from 2:45 pm to 6:45 pm, weather permitting.

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Scan this QR Code to donate and help the Skate Circle live on! Thank you!



Announcing: CPDSA Board of Directors Elections — by Bob Nichols, President, CPDSA

In the early days, the Skate Circle was a place of freedom for skaters. Some of us brought radios or boomboxes. We would yell the name of a station when a good song was playing so we could synchronize our radios over a larger area of the Skaters Road. Over the years, I've always strived to keep that spark of freedom alive. I was always opposed to getting sponsors. I felt that if the CPDSA raised the funds from its own membership, it would only have to answer to its members.

At the end of the 2022 skate season, after 28 years of dedicated service to the CPDSA—15 of which I served as President—I will be stepping down. We never held elections for the Board of Directors (BOD) before. We simply asked the membership who wanted to be on the board. Then the BOD chose its officers, including the President. As I'm leaving the BOD, I suggested to hold elections to stimulate members to step forward and run for office. By voting for their own representatives to steer the group, members put their trust into their leaders. It is also a reflection of the responsibility that being in a position of trust confers on a leader.

The Skate Circle is a rink like no other. We are a family—a Skate Family. We have been through a lot over the years. Just in the last 5 years, our grandfathered-in advantages have been challenged by the Park Conservancy's new administration. They would not let us repair the cracks in the pavement after 22 years of doing so ourselves. Our storages at Mineral Springs and at the Bandshell were taken away from us. Our storage space shrunk to a comically tiny steel box out in the open and we can no longer charge our batteries inside the park.

This season, the resurfacing was postponed time after time and finally completed by July only to crumble on the first day we were back. It has been a rollercoaster ride of ups and downs and twists and turns. Last week, we came back to yet a newly patched surface. It wasn't

what we had hoped for, but it was better than it had been for 5 weeks of sweeping up the chips of disintegrating seal coat, what looked like tar paper chips breaking down right under our wheels and every time a truck rolled through. As if that was not enough, on the first morning we were allowed back to skate, a line of Portapottie trucks sat on the newly recoated surface for almost an hour along with thirty to forty steel barricades; the same old cracks made themselves obvious and the pavement started breaking up once again. During the second and third weekends of September, our skating sessions will be preempted by large sponsored events with tents and other apparatus. We will see what two weeks of heavy use will do to the roadway.

Life is full of disappointments. We have to learn to take the incremental improvements and enjoy them while we work toward something better.

If the CPDSA is going to continue to offer free sessions of skating to music in the park and keep the Skate Family together, there is a lot to be fought for. It is up to you, all of you who skate with us. That is what the elections are for. If you want to change the Circle or just keep it the same, now is your chance to have your say. Please join in. All you have to do is be a member and declare that you want to do something to help. You don't have to run for President, there are other positions and as a director on the board, you can steer any of the committees to get things done.

We created a world-reknown event in Central Park—a real event: a great skate party and a welcoming, inclusive place. We created a family.

Please be a part of it. Keep it rolling.

The Skate Circle Lives!

PLEASE SEE FULL ELECTIONS DESCRIPTION INSIDE



Michael



Two new skaters having fun



Wilson

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SUPPORT US

Your generous contribution will go to pay for permits, sound equipment, storage, and other essential operating costs necessary to keep the CPDSA Skate Circle rolling.

Secure your payments via PayPal by scanning the QR code. If you do not have a PayPal account, PayPal will let you use a debit or credit card. If you have a PayPal account, you will need your PayPal login info to complete your payment.



July 2022 Skate Family

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DJ Kwest



DJ e



DJ Frankie D

SKATERS, DO YOU HAVE SKILLS THAT COULD HELP THE SKATE CIRCLE?

...Or just someone genuinely willing

to be a part of the group that keeps the skate circle rolling? Would you like to contribute stories or photos for consideration in our next newsletter?



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Skate Circle on new surface

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTIONS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2022

CPDSA MEMBERS WILL VOTE FOR UP TO 15 BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOD).

Of those 15 Directors:

- 5 will serve as **officers**:

1. President
2. Vice President
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer
5. Sargent at Arms

- 10 will serve as **non-officers**:

Non-officer Directors play a vital role in the functioning and growth of CPDSA.

Responsibilities include:

- Managing and directing the policies and procedures of the CPDSA
- Serving on subcommittees and make decisions on Social Media, Music, Communications, Membership, Equipment, Grounds, etc.

TO RUN FOR OFFICE

To run for office, you need to:

- Pay your **2022 membership dues** by **SEPTEMBER 30, 2022.**

- Email **ELECTIONS@CPDSA.ORG** your **intention to run** by **SEPTEMBER 6, 2022**

- Email the following **documents** to **ELECTIONS@CPDSA.ORG** by **SEPTEMBER 12, 2022:**

• A written statement

- *Officer positions:*

100-115 words about yourself describing how well you are suited for the position

- *Non-officer positions:*

25 words about yourself and why you think you are qualified

• A recent photo portrait

No older than 1yr, sharp, without sun-glasses so voters can recognize your face

-> DO NOT provide a photo of yourself skating. Your portrait should clearly identify you, like a photo ID.

• Contact info

Include email, cell phone number, and social media handles (digital addresses on social platforms, e.g., Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc.)

The Election Committee will showcase the candidates' profiles and photos on the CPDSA website with links posted on its social media platforms for easy access, propagation, and self-campaigning.

TO VOTE IN THE ELECTION

CPDSA members must have their **2022 membership dues** paid by **SEPTEMBER 30, 2022.**

To become an active 2022 member, go to: <https://www.cpdsa.org/membership/>

OFFICER POSITIONS—DESCRIPTIONS

Officer positions are best suited for candidates who can dedicate a decent amount of their time to the CPDSA and its management and activities. In addition, the positions require good written communication skills, including proper English and grammar, as a fair number of documents and correspondence are drafted yearly.

1. President

The role of the President is to "preside" over the BOD and not to "govern" the CPDSA. All decisions that regard the CPDSA and its activities are **DECIDED AND VOTED BY THE BOD**, not the President.

Responsibilities and duties include (but are not limited to):

- Directing and presiding over all BOD meetings
- Serving as a member of representative subcommittees
- Serving as the official liaison between the CPDSA and The City of New York, The Parks Department, The Police Department, and The Central Park Conservancy
- Obtaining all permits and insurance for legally sanctioned, safe, and secure skating sessions
- Understanding and overseeing the legal, tax, and other critical operating matters to keep the skate circle alive with respect to the City, State, and Federal laws and regulations of a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization
- Scheduling and setting up BOD meetings not previously determined at a meeting

At his or her discretion, the President may delegate any of the above functions to other officers or BOD members on a case-by-case basis.

2. Vice President

Candidates for this position must be willing and able to cover all duties and responsibilities described in the President's position.

Responsibilities and duties include (but are not limited to):

- Assuming all the responsibilities and duties of the President if the President is incapable of carrying out his or her responsibilities (either temporarily or permanently) until the President can resume them or until the next elections
- Taking on specific responsibilities delegated by the President as he or she sees fit
- Representing the CPDSA in the Press as a delegate of the President

3. Secretary

Responsibilities and duties include (but are not limited to):

- Recording the proceedings of meetings and enters them into the final minutes of the meeting.

-> Minutes include:

- All decisions reached by the end of a BOD meeting
- The names of BOD members and invited non-BOD guests attending a meeting
- The outcome of all votes conducted during a meeting
- The topics covered during a meeting (in bullet points only)

• Monitoring BOD meetings to ensure that all actions, decisions, etc. conform to the requirements specified in the corporate by-laws

• Recommending by-law amendments to the BOD as they appear to be necessary

• Drafting any new amendments to be passed by the BOD

• Any issue, content, etc. specified by the President

4. Treasurer

Responsibilities and duties include (but are not limited to):

- Holding the corporation's moneys
- Keeping a record of every financial transaction
- Presenting all financial records to the BOD every three months

5. Sargent at Arms

Responsibilities and duties include (but are not limited to):

- Hosting Zoom meetings
- Welcoming or removing participants at meetings (gatekeeper role)
- Keeping order at meetings