

USA DANCE AWARDS Volunteer and Chapter of the Year 2015-16



*The award for Volunteer of the Year for 2015/16  
is proudly presented to  
**Sylvia L. Rose**  
Greater Memphis Chapter #2012*

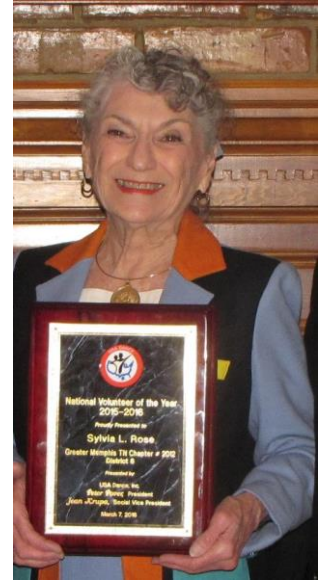
Sylvia Rose is from District 8, Greater Memphis Chapter 2012, and has been selected as the USA Dance National Volunteer of the Year.

Sylvia is the driving force of the Greater Memphis Chapter and is the Director of Group Classes for the local citizens offering affordable group classes and securing the instructors. During this past year these classes have instructed approximately 1,000 students.

As a dedicated member she is committed to recruiting new members and is directly responsible for 51% of the new members this past year.

In addition, she has been the Chairman of the Annual Charity Dance Event for the Le Bonheur Hospital, securing major sponsors and creating the program of events for this successful fundraiser. But, she doesn't stop there; she is responsible for creating flyers for the dance events, writing a section in the monthly newsletter and posting chapter activities to Face Book.

We congratulate Sylvia on furthering the goals of USA Dance, supporting and growing the Greater Memphis Chapter and enhancing the image of USA Dance in her community. The Board Members of Chapter #2012 feel she is the epitome of devotion and a dedicated volunteer.



Congratulations to Sylvia Rose as the National Volunteer of the Year.



*The National Chapter of the Year 2015/16  
is proudly presented to  
**Minnesota # 2011***

The Chapter of the Year comes from District 2 - Minnesota Chapter #2011, Leland Whitney President.

The Minnesota Chapter has a membership of nearly 400; an increase of over 160 members during the past calendar year by using a well employed recruitment tool along with consistent invitations to join. The chapter received grant money from the Minneapolis Institute of the Arts, the funds were used to support Project Dance, a weekly beginner class, the Minnesota Chapter magazine and choreography for a Viennese Waltz performance at the Mall of America celebrating the MIA 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

The chapter also publishes a 28-32 page magazine monthly which can be viewed online at [www.usadance-minnesota.org](http://www.usadance-minnesota.org). In addition they promote their monthly dances and events on the national website, Facebook and Constant Contact emails for updates as needed.

Their youth involvement included supporting a College club and assisting and participating in Dancing Classrooms to provide dance lessons to nine 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes. The chapter also supports DanceSport by providing scholarship fund to competitors.



Congratulations to the Minnesota Chapter #2011 members on receiving the National Chapter of the Year award.