

Kansas Alliance of Professional Historical Performers

Mission and Policies

Mission

The mission of the Kansas Alliance of Professional Historical Performers (KAPHP or the Alliance) is to provide-historical interpretation, including *historically correct period clothing*, to the highest standard by challenging each other and ourselves to constantly research our subject area and seek the highest performance skills.

Earning Membership

KAPHP is a juried organization of Kansas *historical* performers. Recommendation *for membership* may be made by any individual member. Member troupes (i.e. Ride into History) will not add members to their troupes until the prospective troupe member has successfully gone through the process of being juried into the Alliance. Jurying is by a committee of at least four current members who have critiqued a recent, full-length program that includes a *monologue* discussion in character, and a discussion as a scholar. To be eligible for membership those who are not founding members must provide evidence that they have:

- Attended a *KAPHP class*.
- Developed a thirty to fifty minute first person narrative of an historic figure or composite historic character.
- Been juried by four KAPHP members during a full-length performance including questions in character and as the scholar
- Demonstrated authenticity in content and *period clothing*.
- A familiarity with primary and secondary *sources* of the historic figure and on the historical context.
- Drafted a contract and invoice for *his/her* program.
- Been paid a fee (beyond travel costs) for a program
- *Have* at least one marketing piece
- *Have* a telephone number and e-mail address
- Developed at least one resource list, curriculum guide, or other education material for *his/her* performance.

Meetings

The annual meeting will be held *the second Saturday of January each year unless an alternate date has been approved by a majority of the Board*. Induction will be when four members of the KAPHP can be present.

Rights of Members

Members have the right to:

- Use the KAHHP name in their marketing
- Have a presence on the www.historiccperformance.com website.
- Receive occasional email notices
- Display and Showcase *with KAPHP*.
- Semi-retire at the status of Research Consultant at half the performers' membership fee *while still maintaining voting status and having a presence* on a separate page on the website.

Responsibilities of Members

- *A member must demonstrate a willingness to be familiar with and promote other members of KAPHP.*
- *A member must annually contribute financially to cooperative ventures approved by the membership including website maintenance (first year \$60; usually \$40; not to exceed \$100/year)*
- *A member must exhibit a commitment to the group's mission*
- *A member must remain active in historical performance (with the exception of those members who have selected semi-retirement status)*
- *A member must demonstrate active participation by attending the annual meeting keeping his/her webpage updated, and jurying prospective members*

Removal of Members

When a member is non-compliant with the responsibilities of members provisions for a period of 3 months, the Board will notify the member of his/her removal from KAPHP marketing and education materials. Said member will have 3 months from the date of notification to come into compliance. Failure to do so will result in the member's removal from all marketing materials.

Operations

Ride into history Cultural and Educational Project, Inc. (RIHEPI) is KAPHP's financial *and corporate* umbrella. KAPHP member Anna Smith is KAPHP's *Director*, 785-221-8816.

Incorporation

The incorporation of KAPHP is not anticipated.

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