

Kansas Alliance of Professional Historical Performers
Mission and Policies

Mission

The mission of the Kansas Alliance of Professional Historical Performers (KAPHP) is to provide costumed historical interpretation of 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 historian/performers. Recommendation may be made by any individual member. Non-members may request consideration for inclusion. Selection is by a committee of four current members who have critiqued a recent, full-length program that includes a monolog and discussion in character and discussion as a scholar. To be eligible for membership those who are not founding members must provide evidence that they have:

- Attended a Preserving Our Past through Performance™ workshop
- 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
- Provided authenticity in content and costuming
- A familiarity with primary and secondary resources of the historic figure and their historical context
- Drafted a contract and invoice for their program
- Been paid a fee (beyond travel costs) for a program
- At least one marketing piece (brochure/flyer/video)
- A telephone number and e-mail address
- Developed at least one resource list, curriculum guide, or other educational material for their performance

Meetings

The annual meeting will be held in conjunction with the Kansas Sampler Festival. Induction will be the week-end of the Kansas Sampler Festival and as necessary at other times when four members of the KAPHP can be present.

Rights and responsibilities

Members have the right to:

- Use the KAPHP name in their marketing
- Have a presence on the www.historicperformance.com site
- Receive occasional email notices
- Display and showcase at the Kansas Sampler Festival as provided by the Festival sponsors

To maintain membership an individual or group must:

- Demonstrate a willingness to be familiar with and promote other members of the KAPHP
- Annually contribute financially to cooperative ventures approved by the membership including website maintenance and the Kansas Sampler Festival (not to exceed \$100/year)
- Exhibit a commitment to the group's mission
- Remain active in historical performance
- Demonstrate active participation by attending the annual meeting at the Kansas Sampler Festival, showcasing at the Festival, updating their webpage, and jurying prospective members

The group will notify non-participants before removing them from KAPHP marketing/education tools.

Operations

Ride into History Cultural and Educational Project, Inc. (RIHCEPI) will provide administrative support. Ann Birney is volunteer Executive Director of RIHCEPI and can be reached at 620-528-3580 or ridehist@satelephone.com .

Incorporation

The incorporation of KAPHP is not anticipated.

Drafted by Ann Birney from 2005 meeting notes and ratified by a majority of voting members via e-mail, May 2005. REVISED by a vote of the membership at the annual meetings in May 2009 and May 2012.