Northern Tango President Report-- FY 2023-2024

Overview

This report outlines the key activities, financial health, and strategic initiatives undertaken by Northern Tango Incorporated over the past year, demonstrating our ongoing commitment to promoting and fostering Argentine Tango culture in Darwin.

Leadership and Committee Changes

We extend our gratitude to Teena Sheridan for her leadership and contributions during her tenure as Chairperson. With Teena's departure due to personal commitments, Ahmed Fathy has been appointed as the new President, and Chris Cox as the new Vice President, ensuring continuity and strong governance.

Membership and Community Engagement

While the official Membership Scheme is still in the planning stages and has not yet been launched, we are excited about its potential to enhance our community's cohesion and support. In the meantime, we've focused on building relationships and increasing engagement through collaborative events and community participation.

Financial Performance

The financial health of Northern Tango remains strong, with a net profit of \$1,537.11 for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024. Our revenue increased significantly to \$24,042.37, **up 635%** from \$3,784.61 the previous year, thanks to successful events and grant support.

Key Events and Achievements

- Marathon Events: Our Tango Marathon has continued to gain popularity, with nearly 70+
 registrations for the last event. The financial and logistical support through grants has been crucial in
 enhancing these experiences.
- **Visiting Teachers:** We hosted several workshops with renowned visiting teachers, which enriched our members' dancing skills.
- Community Events: Participation in local festivals like the Seabreeze Festival, dance night at bunnings and the Morning Milongita at the Botanical Gardens has significantly increased our visibility and engagement with the broader community.
- Engagement with Other Dance Communities: We've strengthened ties with other dance communities, leading to collaborative public dance events that celebrate the diversity and joy of dance in our lovely night at the Botanical Gardens.
- **First Ever Community Survey:** A major milestone this year was conducting our first community survey, with a remarkable 60% participation rate. The feedback collected has been invaluable in guiding our future initiatives and understanding the needs and preferences of our community.

Challenges and Strategies Moving Forward

We encountered challenges this year, particularly with the delayed rollout of the Membership Scheme and the restructuring of our committee. Additionally, we need to address the insights and concerns raised in our first community survey. Participants expressed a desire for more varied dance events and better communication regarding organisational changes and event planning.

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Way Forward

In response to our member's feedback from the survey, we are committed to the following:

- Enhancing Communication and Engagement: We plan to improve our communication strategies to ensure all members are well-informed and engaged with our activities.
- **Diversifying Our Events:** Based on survey feedback, we will introduce a broader range of dance events and workshops to cater to the diverse interests of our community.
- Launching the Membership Scheme: We will focus on rolling out the Membership Scheme to provide structured benefits and further engage our members.

Conclusion

Looking back at a year of significant achievements and community engagement, we are optimistic about the future of Northern Tango Incorporated. Our plans are aligned with our Members's needs, and we are excited to continue promoting the rich culture of Argentine Tango. We thank all members of our community for their active participation and support, as we move forward with renewed commitment and enthusiasm.

Sigue bailando!

Ahmed Fathy

Chairperson

On behalf of Northern Tango Incorporated Committee.

