There are three traditional dance groups based in Champaign-Urbana. These are the Central Illinois English Country Dancers, the Illini Folk Dance Society and the Urbana Country Dancers. These groups all have as their purpose to preserve, enjoy and teach about traditional dance of various cultures. English country dances are from the 1600’s and 1700’s and also include early American dances and dances from other English colonies. International folk dances come from all over the world. The Urbana Country Dancers primarily do traditional American contra and square dances.

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