

Max Pollak's Credits:

New York Stage Performances

- **West Point Eisenhower Hall/Hunter College:** Duke Ellington's Sacred Concert (2013)
- **Lincoln Center – Jazz at Lincoln Center,** Alice Tully Hall, Meet The Artist, RumbaTap, Manhattan Tap, Feet 2 The Beat, Beat The Donkey (1995 – 2008) (Soloist w/ Cyro Baptista; Ray Brown, Danilo Perez, John DiMartino, Yosvany Terry, Dafnis Prieto, Bobby Sanabria's Quarteto Aché)
- **Central Park Summer Stage:** RumbaTap (2008), Beat The Donkey (2000)
- **Joyce Theater:** RumbaTap (2005), Urban Tap (2002)
- **Joyce Soho:** RumbaTap (2007, 2006)
- **Apollo Theater:** Dana Leong's Life After Dark (2009)
- **Doris Duke Theater:** RumbaTap (2001 – 2007), Dejelaba Groove (2005), Global Jam (2004), Tap City (2001 – 2007)
- **New Victory Theater:** Urban Tap (2001)
- **Public Theatre:** Shakespeare Sonnets on Tap (2007), Global Fest w/ Roxane Butterfly (2006)
- **Symphony Space:** Guest Soloist w/Los Muñequitos de Matanzas (2011), RumbaTap (2010, 2008, 2007), Jazz Nativity as Third King (usually played by Jimmy Slyde) w/ Paquito D'Rivera, Slide Hampton, Dave Valentin (2005)
- **Town Hall:** Barry Harris Spring Concert w/ Jimmy Slyde (2002), Super Son Cubano w/ Jose Fajardo, J.P. Torres (1999), Manhattan Tap (1992)
- **Hudson Theater,** RumbaTap (2010)
- **Tribeca Arts Center:** Lost Jazz Shrines featuring Phil Woods, Roxane Butterfly (2008)
- **92nd Street Y:** RumbaTap (2007), Kathak Ensemble (2006)
- **La Mama:** RumbaTap (2007)



New York Club Performances

- **Joe's Pub:** RumbaTap (2012, 2007), Dana Leong (2009), Los Muñequitos de Matanzas (2002)
- **Jazz Standard:** TrioNada (2008), Grupo Los Santos (2008)
- **BB King's:** Jazz Nativity (2012, 2011, 2010, 2009)
- **DROM:** RumbaTap (2012, 2010, 2009)
- **Zinc Bar:** Samuel Torres Forced Displacement Band (2013), TrioNada (2010)
- **Cachaça:** The Paul Carlon Octet (2008)
- **Birdland:** Jazz Nativity (2006)
- **Makor:** RumbaTap (2003), Beat The Donkey (2003)
- **Bacchus Room:** Host of regular Jazz and Tap jam (2006)
- **Les Gamins:** Regular Weekly Tap Show (2003)
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National Performances

- **Ordway Center,** St. Paul, MN: RumbaTap Residency & Performance Flint Hills Int. Children's Festival (2013)
- **Cowan Center,** UT at Tyler, TX: East Texas Symphony Orch. (2013)
- **Eisemann Center,** Richardson/Dallas, TX: Plano Symphony Orch. 30th Anniversary Gala (2012)
- **Symphony Hall at DECC,** Duluth, MN: Duluth Superior Symphony Orch. (2011)
- **Galvin Fine Arts Center,** St. Ambrose University, Davenport, IA: RumbaTap Residency & Performance (2011)
- **Concerts On The Hudson,** Weehawken, NJ: RumbaTap (2010)
- **Kennedy Center,** Washington D.C.; Beat The Donkey (2003) Urban Tap (2001)
- **Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival;** RumbaTap (2007, 2005) Jimmy Slyde and Friends (1996)
- **Chicago World Music Festival,** Chicago IL: Beat The Donkey (2003)



- **Smithsonian Institute**, Washington D.C.; Lalo's Urban Myth (2008)
- **Festival International**, Lafayette LA; Beat The Donkey (2004)
- **Wesleyan University**, Middletown CN; Beat The Donkey (2003)
- **Battel Chappel**, New Haven CN; Duke Ellington's Sacred Concert (2003)

International Performances

- **Quebec, Canada**: Orford Festival, Les Violons Du Roy (2013)
- **Kitchener, Ontario**: Center In The Square, Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony Orch. (2013)
- **Tokyo, Japan**: Kokuritsu Olympic Center, Tokyo International Tap Festival (2013)
- **Istanbul, Turkey**: Akbank Jazz Festival - Nardis Jazz Club; International Body Music Festival - Notre Dame de Sion Concert Hall (both 2012)
- **Moscow, Russia**: Durov Club; St. Petersburg, Russia: Jagger Club, (both 2012)
- **Rio De Janeiro**: Rock In Rio & SESC Copacabana (2011)
- **London, UK**: Ronnie Scott's Club (2010), Sadler's Wells, Peacock Theater (1998)
- **São Paulo, Brasil**: Centro Cultural, Centro Cultural da Juventude Ruth Cardoso, Teatro Nair Belo (2010)
- **Berlin, Germany**: Filmbühne am Steinplatz: Jazz ' N Tap (2008)
- **Barcelona, Spain**: Mercat de les Flors: Max Pollak en Vivo (2008)
- **Athens, Greece**: Philipos Nakas Conservatory: Solo Concert (2008)
- **Lefkada Island, Greece**: Founder of annual Rhythm Summit Festival (2007-2014)
- **Riga, Latvia**: International Tap Dance Festival: RumbaTap (2007)
- **Düsseldorf, Germany**: Tap Ahead Festival (2007, 2006, 2003)
- **Bern, Switzerland**: Köniz Castle: Solo Concert (2007)

- **Havana, Cuba**: RumbaTap (2006) (2001) Cuban Tap Festival, Tambo Cuba (2001)
- **Helsinki, Finland**: Feet Beat Tap Festival (2006, 2005, 2003, 2002)
- **Tokyo & Kyoto, Japan**: RumbaTap (2013, 2009, 2005)
- **Vienna, Austria**: Konzerthaus, Guest Soloist (2004)
- **Agadir, Morocco**: Timitar Festival; Beat The Donkey (2004)
- **Talinn, Estonia**: Russian Theatre; Talin Tap Festival (2004, 2003)
- **Berlin, Germany**: International Tap Festival; Solo Concert (2002)
- **Kuopio, Finland**: Kuopio Dance Festival (2001)
- **Lisbon, Portugal**: Cool Heat/Urban Heat (2001)



International Tours

- **Solo Concerts** (1995 – 2013): Austria, Brazil, Canada, Cuba, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Holland, Japan, Latvia, Panama, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine
- **RumbaTap** (2004 – 2013): Austria, Brazil, Canada, France, Germany, Japan, Monaco, Switzerland, Turkey
- **TrioNada** (2008, 2007): Austria, Germany
- **Beat The Donkey** (2000 – 2006) w/Cyro Baptista: Belgium, France, Holland, Italy, Morocco, Portugal, Switzerland
- **Cool Heat – Urban Beat** (1998 – 2001) w/ Tamango & Rennie Harris: Australia, Denmark, England, Germany, Italy, New Zealand, Portugal, Scotland
- **Feet 2 The Beat** (1997 – 2001) w/ Rod Ferrone: Canada, Colombia, Germany, Japan, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Venezuela
- **Manhattan Tap** (1992 – 1997): Canada, England, France, Scotland, Switzerland



Films / Documentaries

- **Tap Or Die** (2013) US Documentary
- **Da Me La Mano** (2003) Dutch Documentary
- **La Historia de la Rumba** (2002) Cuban Documentary
- **Como Se Forma Una Rumba** (2001) US Documentary, featured at “Latin Beat Film Festival”, Lincoln Center
- **Latido Latino** (2000) Spanish Documentary
- **The Tango Lesson** (1997) Tap coach for lead actor Pablo Veron

Discography

- **RumbaTap** (2014) Max Pollak
- **Clave Heart** (2013) Grupo Los Santos
- **TrioNada** (2008) TrioNada
- **Roots Propaganda** (2008) Paul Carlon Octet
- **Lalo’s Urban Myth** (2008) Lalo’s Urban Myth
- **Lo Que Somos Lo Que Sea** (2008) Grupo Los Santos
- **Other Tongues** (2007) Paul Carlon Octet
- **Love The Donkey** (2005) Beat The Donkey
- **Cyro Baptista & Beat The Donkey** (2002) Beat The Donkey
- **El Otro Lado** (2001) Syotos Band, members of Tito Puente Orchestra
- **Cool Heat – Urban Beat** (1999) live at Spoleto Festival, Italy

Published Articles

- **Dance Magazine**
 - » *What I love about Tap*: Max Pollak reflects on his favorite moments in Tap history (May 2008)
 - » *Tap Dance Technique* (September 2007)
 - » *Global Tap* (May 2007)
- **Ballet Tanz Magazin**, Germany
 - » *A Brief History of Tap Dance* (2002)

- **On Tap** (International Tap Association Newsletter)
 - » *Making Money To Cabaret With Vaudeville Generations*: Phace Roberts, Rod Ferrone (2001)
 - » *Closing The Gap – Tap Generations*: Buster Brown, Roxane Butterfly (1999)
 - » *Interview with a Tap Diva*: Tina Pratt (1999)
 - » *The Real Jimmy Slyde* (1997)

University Lectures/Residencies (1995 – 2013)

- Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- University of Minnesota, Minneapolis & Duluth
- New School for Social Research, NYC
- Australia: Worawa Aboriginal College, Melbourne
- Cuba: Instituto Superior de Arte, Escuela Nacional de Arte; Havana
- Germany: University at Leipzig

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