

We have members from nearly every English speaking area of the world. No matter what your location, you may have questions. I hope I can answer these questions here.

I've heard that Massage Club members form really strong friendships . . . is that true?

You bet it is! The most important component of the Club is community. This site is set up similar to other online social sites. Each person has a profile. You can post on a member's wall, make them a friend and contact others directly via e-mail. The common element is that we all share a passion for bodywork.

In addition to the opportunities to create friendships through the online community and the one-on-one bodywork trades you schedule individually, we have several nationwide events as well as regional events. After joining, check the calendar to see what is planned. The Club hosts a national Massage Trade Festival each June in Northern California that you won't want to miss.

I have recently graduated from massage school and I want to succeed professionally. Will my Massage Club membership help my efforts?

Succeeding as a professional massage therapist can be tough. It takes hard work, commitment, and having the right resources. Through this Club you can expand your network to include veteran practitioners who know the business well, maintain successful practices and would be willing to mentor you.

While you are still ultimately responsible for your own success, many opportunities are opened up to you as a result of being part of a large holistic community. Through a simple bodywork trade you can learn new skills and perfect techniques. The shop talk type discussion that follows can spark innovative ideas that can help you achieve that professional success.

I love massage. I have no training. I have no plans to get training or make this my career. Is the Massage Club for me?

Yes! The majority of our members fall into this category. These individuals with their passion and raw talent are frequently the most gifted practitioners. We learned to touch before we learned to speak. Massage is simple. Many don't realize it, but you already have all the skills you need to trade bodywork.

I heard the Massage Club emphasize leadership. What opportunities will I have to be involved?

It's a 100% volunteer organization. You'll have a variety of opportunities to serve your fellow members, everything from manning a booth at a street fair to working on Club publicity.

It's the natural leaders who are dreaming up and organizing creative events. Things like organizing a meet-up of professional massage therapist at a local coffee shop to discuss business practices, starting a meditation group, facilitating a mentor program for recent graduates of their massage school or rounding up some therapist to offer chair massage at a charity event. You get the idea.

What about community service?

Healers by nature are committed to helping others. Community service is a fun and important part of the Massage Club experience.

Sounds great, but how much does it cost to join?

Nothing! It's all free. There are no charges. We're supported by donations. It's our hope that you'll kick in some funds if you later determine the Club is providing a benefit to you. But there is no obligation to donate.

What about location? Is membership nationwide?

The Massage Club has members in nearly every city in the country. There are even several members outside the United States. Membership is free and we look to the volunteers in local communities to help advertise and promote the Club locally. Some cities, such as San Francisco and New York, have larger memberships because the volunteer leadership in these areas has spent considerable time publicizing. It just takes 1 or 2 hard working members and a city's participation takes off.

What types of people join the Massage Club?

All types. Some are professionals some are amateurs. We do not discriminate based on sex, sexual orientation, age or race. Having members with different backgrounds and experiences is what makes the Massage Club a great organization. Each individual gets to share their uniqueness with the group.

What happens once I join?

You're going to make a lot of new friends who share your passion for massage. It's an exciting time.

You'll want to update your profile and immediately start browsing through the members in your area. As you see someone you think you'd have something in common with you simply shoot them a message.

How do I go about joining the Massage Club?

Registration is easy. You answer a few questions. The system sends you a confirmation e-mail. You'll open it and follow the directions to complete the process. Once registered, you'll have about 10 days to finalize your profile.