

# Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, July 20, 2018

## Upcoming Important Dates

### PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES:

- August 4 at 3 pm and 5 pm – Washington Cty Fair – [Form/rubric available here](#).
- August 10 – August 12 – Irish Fair of Minnesota.
- August 16 - St. Paul Saints Day (Details TBA)
- September 3 - State Fair Day (Details TBA)

NO Open Studio for the rest of the summer

## Irish Fair Information:

Our dance tent performance times are:

- Saturday, August 11 from 12:30 - 1:20 pm
- Saturday, August 11 from 7:00 - 7:50 pm
- Sunday, August 12 from 3:00 - 3:50 pm. All-school/alumni party after the performance.

[Form and Rubric available here](#). PreSchool-Primary + Adults will sign up for 1 to 3 performances (or let us know you are unable to attend). Intermediate & up must be registered for Performance Class and attend all performances in order to participate.

## Irish Fair Costume Check

Please take out your O'Shea Irish Dance school performance costume this week, try it on, and make sure there are no issues or concerns. Marlys Foster, our costumer, will be in next week (for one week only) to assist in getting new costumes, switching out costumes that no longer fit, and mending any that might need repair. She will be in Monday through Thursday July 23-26 from 4pm to 7pm. These are the only times you will have to address your costume needs for Irish Fair! If you cannot make it to one of those dates or times please e-mail me at [oidadmin@osheairishdance.com](mailto:oidadmin@osheairishdance.com).

## Irish Fair Raffle Tickets

Irish Fair Raffle Tickets will be available at the Kiosk on Mondays from 4:30 to 9:30 and Tuesdays 4:30 to 6:15. Tickets will be available on Thursdays from 4:30 to 7:00 in the lobby. Contact Christine Anderson at 651-402-2195 to arrange alternate pick up times. Tickets are to be turned in (money and/or stubs of unsold tickets) by August 2nd. **Each dancer is encouraged to sell at least 5 tickets.**

Cost of the tickets are \$5.00 each. 50% of the proceeds go to IDPA! Proceeds are used to fund the O'Shea school party on Sunday the 12th at the Pavilion at Irish Fair.

## Natalie's Friday Motivation

I love this time of year! Year-round we work on technique, posture, steps, and power — but now we get to work on our stagecraft. I love when each of our kids able to walk up on stage, present the work they do in class and walk off feeling that they have done the best job they possibly can. Performance is important because it promotes confidence! Our dancers carry that stage-presence with them whether it is into the classroom, a job interview, onto the sports field, or anywhere they go in their lives.

## Upcoming Regional Feiseanna

More info and registration for these recommended upcoming regional feiseanna can be found [here](#).

- Aug 25 - Missouri State Championships (St. Louis)
- Aug 26 - Greater St. Louis Feis (St. Louis)
- Sept 1 - Kansas City Feis (Kansas City)
- Sept 2 - NEW FEIS: Heart of America Feis (Kansas City)
- Sept 29 - The Minnesota Feis (St. Paul)
- Sept 30 - The Saint Paul Autumn Feis (St. Paul)

## Nationals Costume Return - ASAP

Nationals ceili team costumes were due back at the Junction yesterday. If you haven't already done so, please **return all costumes** (dresses, tiaras, vests) to the Junction kiosk.

## New Student Referral Bonus

Do you know any families with young kids interested in pre-beginner or beginner Irish Dance classes? Cormac and Natalie will refund your \$35 annual registration fee for one referral who registers for pre-beginner or beginner classes. There are flyers for Pre-Beginner/Beginner classes in the CJ lobby.

## Coming Up at CJAC – [More Info Here](#)



### [Bringing it All Back Home - Immigration Trauma and Constellations](#), July 20-22

Brendan O'Brien, a senior psychotherapist and 20-year family constellator to lead us in a weekend of Family Constellations where we will explore the unresolved trauma of migration in our family story, and understand the healing role of songs and stories.

### [CD Launch Party with Wild Colonial Bhoys](#), July 20

Come celebrate the launch of WCB's newest CD! Friday Night Live! was recorded live at the 2017 Irish Fair MN. [Tickets here](#).



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**IRISH FAIR IS COMING UP! GOT YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS?  
LOOK FOR YOUR NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE FRIDAY JULY 27, 2018**