

Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, March 29, 2019

Upcoming Important Dates - Mark Your Calendars

- **OID Closed for Spring Break/Worlds** - Monday 4/15 through Monday 4/22.
- **Snow Day Make-Up Days** - Regular classes will be held Tuesday 4/23 through Thursday 4/25 for those wishing to attend class to make up for missed days due to weather closures. Attendance is optional.
- **FESTIVAL OF NATIONS** - Thursday, May 2 - Sunday, May 5 - [Form/Rubric](#) - Sign Up Now!
 - WHO:
 - Performance Teams, Teen KII dancers, Adults
 - DAY SCHEDULE:
 - Thu May 2 - 11 am and 1 pm (INT, ADV, and KII)
 - Fri May 3 - 11 am and 1 pm (INT, ADV, and KII)
 - Sat May 4 - noon (INT and ADV ages 7-14), 1 pm (INT, ADV, and KII ages 12+), 4 pm (adult) and 6 pm (adult)
 - Sun May 5 - 5 pm (adult)
- **OID Spring Recital!** - Mark your calendars! May 11, 2 pm to 5 pm - This is our big event for all dancers in levels **Preschool, Beginner, Primary I and Primary II** to feature them at their own special event! Save the date. More details and ticket info to follow!

Our May Feiseanna are Coming Up!

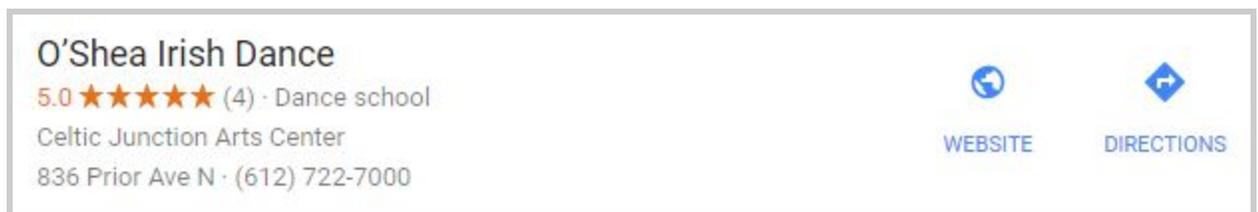
The O'Shea Irish Dance Feis (May 18) and the Minneapolis Leap into Spring Feis (May 19) are coming up fast. Registration is open at www.feisworx.com. Please talk to your teacher if you have questions about what dances to register for. These feiseanna are coordinated by our own Irish Dance Parent Association (IDPA). More info at www.idpamn.org.

OID Parents: *These events don't happen without your volunteerism. Please sign up to volunteer here: [OID Feis Volunteers](#) and/or [Mpls Leap Into Spring Volunteers](#). No experience necessary!*

Help OID Get More Hits in Google

Did you know you can help us boost the visibility of OID in Google search results and help prospective families see OID as highly ranked? Follow these simple instructions:

1. In Google, search for **irish dance school st. paul** or click [this link](#). You will see O'Shea in the results.
2. Click on the link for OID that looks like this:



3. Then click where it says: **Google review**
4. Finally, click the **Write a review** link and then rate and review OID. Thanks

What's Coming Up at CJAC's [Irish College of Minnesota](#)

College quality classes for community audiences. Spring Quarter: April-June 2019.

IRISH LANGUAGE

- **No Sweat Irish** Informal Irish for beginners of all ages. Perfect for beginning learners, this fun class features songs, games, and brief role-playing alongside an accessible easy-to-read textbook.
- **Advanced Irish Language** Preparation for the European Certificate in Irish/TEG (Teastas Eorpach na Gaeilge). A structured curriculum to prepare for the only internationally recognized general Irish language proficiency exam for adults in 2020.
- **Irish Language Literature** Litríocht na Gaeilge. Deepen your knowledge, appreciation and comprehension of the Irish language by reading plainly written selections from its literature.

HISTORY & LITERATURE

- **Irish Aristocracy 1600-Present** "Everyone Loves a Lord" This course will fairly explore the largely-Protestant aristocracy of Ireland during the period of its "Ascendancy."
- **Irish Comic Tradition** Learn how the ancient Irish comic tradition finds modern expression in the witty surrealism of Flann O'Brien and the existential humor of Samuel Beckett.
- **Irish Poetry** Discover the richness of the poetic achievement of John Montague by reading his work in conjunction with selections from other Irish writers.
- **Joseph Campbell** In the company of the extraordinary writing of Joseph Campbell, we take a six-week journey with mythic heroes to understand life's adventure and our life journey today.

CELTIC CREATIVE ARTS

- **Create your Celtic Tiger** Planning for financial success in your business, art, or hobby. Through a step-by-step planning framework, this class will support you in monetizing your passion on purpose.
- **Music in Early Ireland** Ireland's dance music did not appear significantly in Ireland's literature until the end of the eighteenth century. What did the music sound like before then?
- **Drawing Celtic Mythology** Learn how the haunting and magical gods, goddesses, heroes, magicians, and landscapes of the Celtic realms can be given creative expression and re-interpretation.

IRISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL

- **So Where Is That?** Place is an essential element of genealogical research, especially in Ireland. Learn about provinces, counties, civil and church parishes, baronies, Poor Law unions and townlands.
- **On-Site Genealogy Research in Ireland** Learn about the major genealogy research repositories in Ireland and what you might expect to find in them. Hints and tips for research when in Ireland.

**OUR CAMPING SPOT AT HARRIET ISLAND IS UNDER WATER!
LOOK FOR YOUR NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE FRIDAY APRIL 5, 2019**