

Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, Jan 12, 2018

Celtic Junction Feis is ALMOST FULL – Register Now!

Celtic Junction Feis - Saturday, Feb 3 from 8 am-3 pm. (for First Feis through Prizewinner) This feis is **limited to only 200 dancers and is nearly full**. All OID dancers who can complete their light jig up through Prizewinner are requested to participate. Your teacher can answer questions and advance you on the feis and whether you dancer is ready. Register now at www.feisworx.com!

Upcoming Important Dates

Jan 13 – There will be Open Studio from 10 am to Noon.

Jan 13 – **Wig workshop** from 9:30 am - 10:30 am for **ALL Primary 1 & 2 dancers** & a Solo dress exchange 10:30am-12:00pm, to prep for the Practice Feis and the CELTIC JUNCTION FEIS as well as the upcoming season. Any dancer that has reached a Novice level is requested to attend.

Jan 15 – **OID is closed** for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Feb 2 – **Annual OID Practice Feis** is a training feis for ALL DANCERS & PARENTS for all our Beginner dancers up through Prizewinner level and runs Friday evening from 5:30 pm to 8 pm and will help your dancers prepare for the feis the next day.

Feb 3 – Celtic Junction Feis – details above.

Mar 17 - IMDA's St. Patrick's Day Irish Celebration main stage performance. Form/Rubric coming soon.

Mar 18 - IMDA's Day of Irish Dance main stage performance. Form/Rubric coming soon.

Mar 18 – Decade of Dance Awards and OID adult dancer showcase on the Weyerhauser stage. Form/Rubric coming soon.

Performance Classes have begun

For Intermediate I dancers and up, performance in events such as St. Patrick's Day, Festival of Nations, the Children's Fair and other events January through June is dependent on enrollment in the performance class. If you haven't done so already, please [register here](#). The class offerings are:



- Intermediate Performance - Tuesdays 6:15-7:45pm
- Advanced Performance - Thursdays 6:15-7:45pm.

Weather-Related School Closings

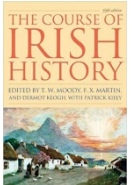
Reminder: OID follows the St. Paul Schools' announcement of snow days. In general, if classes and after school activities are cancelled for the St. Paul School District, OID will also be closed. There are two exceptions: 1) If school/activities are cancelled because of low temps and NOT because of excessive snow, OID will be open; 2) If school is cancelled, but after-school activities are NOT cancelled, OID will be open. We'll let you all know in a variety of ways. Winter is here!

Coming Up at CJAC



No sweat Irish!: Spoken Modern Irish, Jan 18 - March 22

With Tom Jeffers. Learn how to speak and write the Irish Gaelic language in a fun, relaxed, and innovative community environment using contemporary approaches to language acquisition. Incorporating conversation, songs, and games, this 10-week course takes the pressure and hard work out of Irish Gaelic and makes it an enjoyable and creative pursuit. [More details here.](#)



Introduction to the Course of Irish History, Jan 22 - March 12

With John Davenport. A survey class in Irish history for all levels of learners using the classic text, *The Course of Irish History* in its most recent edition [T.W. Moody and F.X. Martin (et. al.); New York: Rinehart, Roberts Publishers, 2012. 5th edition]. The class will take into account the various perspectives on Ireland's history in a non-ideological and fun manner. [More details here.](#)



Celtic Christian Spirituality, Jan 23 - Feb 27

Learn about the origins of Celtic Christianity and the enduring and fascinating legacy of the Irish Saints in time for the feastdays of St. Brigid (February 1) and St. Patrick (March 17) in this 6 week course. [More details here.](#)

Important Links

www.osheairishdance.com OID **public** webpage.

<http://damhsa.osheairishdance.com/> This is the private OID school page for school members only.

<https://www.facebook.com/OIDance/> OID public Facebook page.

[O'Shea Irish Dance \(OID\) Majors Competitions Group \(Closed\)](#) For our students, parents and families that are at the Majors level and compete at Nationals, Worlds and Oireachtas.

[O'Shea Irish Dance \(OID\) Dancers and Families Announcements and Activities](#) For OID fams & caregivers.

[O'Shea Irish Dance on Instagram](#) Follow OID on Instagram as [osheairishdance](#).

[O'Shea Irish Dance on Hulafrog](#). OID's page on this website focused on local events for kids.

www.idpamn.org The Irish Dance Parent Association (IDPA) website.

[Irish Dance Parent Association](#). The IDPA Facebook page

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STAY WARM EVERYONE!
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