

Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, July 6, 2018

Upcoming Important Dates

July 2 – July 12 – OID Closed for Summer Break/Nationals – No Open Studio during break.

July 12 – July 14 – Summer **Master Workshop**. We'll send a separate email with registration info as soon as it is available. Looking forward to this!

1-5pm DANCE & 5-8pm PLAYTIME!

Open to Intermediate 1 through Championship Level dancers

- Day 1: Can-Can Wonderland!
- Day 2: Picnic in the Park!
- Day 3: Movie/Pizza Night & *Lock-In*!

July 14 - No open studio.

July 16 - OID classes resume - Irish Fair training time!!!

August 4 at 3 pm and 5 pm – **Performance Opportunity**: Washington Cty Fair – [Form/rubric available here](#).

August 10 – August 12 – Irish Fair of Minnesota. Save the dates! 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 at Irish Fair after the performance.

Form and Rubric coming soon. PreSchool-Primary 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 in order to participate.

Results from Nationals - Wow!

The North American Irish Dance Championships 2018 was AMAZING! Jason came in FIRST place!! We are very proud of him! We had three other dancers (Evan, Sophie and Molly M) finish in the top 10! There are SEVEN world qualifiers! Jason (1st), Sophie (7th), Molly L (17th), Molly M (7th), Ava (21st), Hannah (23rd) and Evan (4th)! We had more that recalled and placed as well - Ayuna (39th) and Roisin (51st). Our teams finished with the O16 and U16 Girls (7th), U13 Mixed (4th), and U9 Mixed (2nd). In addition our very own graduated senior Meghan received a scholarship! We are so proud of ALL the O'Shea dancers who danced teams and solos this past week including, Nora, London, Alana, Adrienne, Maddy, Maggie, Danielle, Anjali, Meghan, Anna, Cece and the teams U11 Mixed, U9 Girls, U13 Girls, O16 Mixed. We love you all!

Natalie's Friday Motivation

Do you believe that your potential is limitless? It is if you BELIEVE in yourself. When you believe, you start to take action to achieve your goals. It's MUCH harder to pursue something you don't have faith in. Believe in yourself and your potential and add a plan of steady hard work to achieve your goals.

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. Grab some flyers about 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](#)

We are pleased to bring Brendan O'Brien, a senior psychotherapist and 20-year family constellator from Cork, Ireland, 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 role of songs and stories in helping us heal.

Harpist Stephanie Claussen, July 13

7:30pm. Free Admission. Harpist Stephanie Claussen performs and teaches throughout the Twin Cities. She has recorded multiple albums (including "Soirée à Montpellier" and "Light So Brilliant: Carols and Tunes for Christmas") and released a book of harp arrangements with Mel Bay Publications in 2016. Claussen is a two time winner at the Master level in the Minnesota Scottish Harp Competition. In 2017 Judge Seumas Gagne awarded her one of the highest scores he has ever given in the Master category, calling Claussen's performance "exceptional."



[CD Launch Party with Wild Colonial Boys, 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.](#)

ENJOY YOUR SUMMER BREAK!

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