

# Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, September 7, 2018

## Upcoming Important Dates

- September 10 - All classes resume for PreSchool and Beginner! Can't wait to see you!
- September 15 - Fall Orientation; Get a jump on the annual forms with the links below:
  - [Policies and Conditions](#)
  - [Medical Form](#)
  - [Release Form](#)
    - Orientation Times:
      - 10:00am PreSchool-Beginner
      - 11:00am Primary & Intermediate
      - 12:00pm **Solo Dress Check & Exchange**
      - 1:00pm Advanced & Championship

## PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES:

- September 8 - **MORE DANCERS NEEDED:** Mac/Groveland Fest - Please consider signing up for this performance opportunity to help support our local neighborhoods and schools and make OID more visible to potential new students. Plus, it'll be fun!! - [All Levels Form/Rubric](#).
- September 22 - **DANCERS NEEDED:** St. Ambrose Festival - [All Levels Form/Rubric](#).
- October 6 - **DANCERS NEEDED:** Hamline/Midway - [All Levels Form/Rubric](#).

No Saturday Open Studio on 9/8 or 9/15. Fall Open Studio schedule begins September 22.

## Upcoming Regional Feiseanna

The Minnesota Feis and The St. Paul Autumn Feis (SPAF) are coming up on the 29th and 30th of September. These feiseanna are great opportunities for your dancer - they are a lot of fun, and a great way for your dancer to build confidence and meet new friends from all over the region. The deadline for registration is Friday, Sept 14. A late fee of \$25 will be incurred for any registration after Sept 14.

Register for both feiseanna at [www.feisworx.com](http://www.feisworx.com). IDPA will have parent volunteers in the CJAC lobby to answer questions and help with registration. Sept 14 is the last day to sign up before late fees kick in.

Finally, both feiseanna are in need of volunteers. Don't worry if you've never volunteered for a feis. There are MANY roles that do not require any experience. Please consider volunteering for both!

- [Volunteer for SPAF here.](#)
- [Volunteer for MN Feis here.](#)

Thanks all for supporting these great local feiseanna!



## Online OID Logowear Store is OPEN!

The O'Shea logowear website [2018oshea.itemorder.com](http://2018oshea.itemorder.com) is open from now until 9/26 with item delivery mid-October. The store will be open longer than we've done previously because **this will be our only sale time for the rest of this year** so get started on your holiday shopping early! Please contact Galena with any questions: [galena.schirmer@gmail.com](mailto:galena.schirmer@gmail.com).

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

### Poetry in Slow Motion Study Group

The group is reading the meditative and haunting section "The Tower" from The Collected Poetry of W.B. Yeats. This is a free event and is open to the public. Sat, September 8 at 10:00 am in the EML (Eoin McKiernan Library). If interested, please contact [Patrick O'Donnell](#).

### Incantation: The Magic of Poetry, 9/8 -15

Learn how to write poetry with a sense of mystical incantation through the strategies of creating music in language. 2 sessions. Noon – 2 pm. Saturday, September 8 and 15. Class fee: \$30 or \$27 (if you email the instructor to pre-register). Contact instructor: [Lynette Reini-Grandell](#).

### Irish language Literature, 9/20 - 11/8

Deepen your knowledge, appreciation and comprehension of the Irish language by reading plainly written selections from its literature. Instructor will supply readings of accessible Irish language short stories. Eight Thursday sessions 6:30-8:00 pm. Sep 20 - Nov 8. Class fee: \$144 (email instructor to pre-register) or \$160 (first night of class). Contact instructor: [Lavinia Finnerty](#).

### Prep for Certificate in Irish, 9/22- 12/8

Preparation for the European Certificate in Irish/TEG (Teastas Eorpach na Gaeilge). Adult learners, from experienced beginners to intermediate learners, undertake a structured curriculum to prepare for the only internationally recognized general Irish language proficiency exam for adults in 2019 (or 2020). 12 Saturday sessions 9 am-11 am. Sep 22 – Dec 8. Class fee: \$324 (email instructor to pre-register) or \$360 (first morning of class). Contact instructor: [Lavinia Finnerty](#).

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**FALL IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER. GOT YOUR SWEATERS READY?  
LOOK FOR YOUR NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 14, 2018**