

# Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, June 5, 2020

## Important Dates - Mark Your Calendars

- **June 12 and 13** - LOVE O'Shea Curbside T-Shirt Pick-up
- **June 13** - Next IDPA Board Meeting 10 am on Zoom
- **June 27** - Jumpin' June Irish Dance Watch Party 7 pm on Facebook

## Help Support Our Own Hamline-Midway Neighborhood

As communities are rebuilding and recovering from this time of crisis, please join the Celtic Junction Art Center in supporting our own neighborhood. CJAC is partnering with the Hamline Midway Coalition to collect non-perishables, personal care items, and art supplies at The Celtic Junction. Last drive-up drop-off time is Saturday 6/6 from 10 am to 1 pm.

## LOVE O'Shea T-Shirt Curbside Pick-up at CJAC

The O'Shea's and IDPA are hosting a curbside pick-up for families who ordered almost 100 LOVE O'Shea t-shirts. Drive by CJAC between 5 pm and 6 pm on Friday, June 12 and between noon and 1 pm on Saturday, June 13. To help manage the traffic and safe distancing, please plan to come early in either time slot if your last name is in the first half of the alphabet, and later if your name is in the last half of the alphabet. Thanks everyone! See you at the Junction!

## Are you working on your Jumpin' June video?

Reminder, the deadline to send your Irish Dance video is June 20. Details attached. We want to see your steps! Class steps. Competition steps. Show steps. Or your own steps! Reminder: You create a dance video that is **no longer than 60 seconds using any of Cormac's Feistunes music** (so we don't have any copyright issues with Facebook). You can play the tunes from links found [here](#). Email your video to [kristosween@gmail.com](mailto:kristosween@gmail.com) on or before June 20. Get creative! Wear your solo costume, or any other costume, or your LOVE O'Shea shirt. The choice is yours! See previous newsletters for more specifics on how to shoot your video and make it great! Can't wait for the watch party!

## CENTER FOR IRISH MUSIC - VIRTUAL MIM!

Celtic Junction Arts Center is sponsoring CIM's Virtual Minnesota Irish Music Weekend - Events begin this weekend through the following Sunday, featuring performances from Master Artists in Ireland and the US -- you might even catch some youth performers too, as dance and music go hand in hand! (you can catch Carmen and Liam with their Advanced Youth Ensemble,, Wednesday, June 10th at 7:30pm)

Their full event schedule is found on [CIM's MIM Page](#). Workshops and Concerts are below:

## Programs & Workshops

Registration discounts, financial aid, and t-shirt orders are available through May 17th.

- **Irish Trad Immersion Camp** - 9-12 years, beginner to intermediate level
- **Teen Program** - 12-19 years, intermediate-advanced level
- **Adult workshops, lectures and interviews**

## Concerts & Public Events

All concerts in central standard time (CST) and will broadcast from the Center for Irish Music's website. Unless otherwise noted, concerts will run for 60 minutes. Tune in 15 minutes early for pre-concert chat. Concerts are free, but a suggested donation of \$10/concert to help support our artists is appreciated.

- **Saturday, June 6th, 7:30pm** - MIM @ Home Preview Concert: Pauline Conneely
- **Sunday, June 7th, 7:00pm** - MIM @ Home Preview Concert: Brian ÓhAirt, unaccompanied song concert
- **Wednesday, June 10th, 7:30pm** - MIM @ Home Preview Concert: Advanced Youth Ensemble showcase
- **Thursday, June 11th, 7:30pm** - Virtual Opening Reception, featuring Benny McCarthy in concert
- **Friday, June 12th** - Great Session Experiences
  - 6:00pm-7:00pm - Junior Session, online via Zoom
  - 7:00-8:00pm - Song session, led by Brian Miller via Zoom
  - 7:30- 8:30pm - TUNES with sets led by visiting artists and local musicians
- **Saturday, June 13th, 3:00pm** - Concert: Conal Ó'Gráda
- **Saturday, June 13th, 7:30-10:00pm** - Concert: Seán Gavin, Danny Diamond & Brian Miller, live from the Celtic Junction Arts Center
- **Sunday, June 14th, 3:00pm** - Concert: Matt Cranitch

## Latest Guidance on COVID-19

Governor Walz has started talking about reopening health clubs and fitness centers. These are the closest comparisons to dance studios in the [Stay Safe MN](#) plan. We continue to carefully monitor for further guidance to determine how we open safely, likely starting sometime this month with socially distant class trials in the two larger dance studios. State info can be found [here](#) and the City of Saint Paul's info is [here](#).

## Class Schedule and Zoom Studio Links

We want to keep you dancing! Take any amount of weeks off, double up on classe, or request alternate class times! Links to OID class-specific info and the weekly schedule of Zoom classes can be found on the following pages on the Damhsa site:

- [Class Levels](#)
- [Schedule of Online Classes](#)
- [Family Guide to Zoom classes](#)

**LOOK FOR YOUR NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE ON FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2020**