## Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, August 31, 2018

## **Upcoming Important Dates**

- September 10 Classes resume for PreSchool and Beginner (Primary I and up continue Labor Day week)
- September 15 Fall Orientation; Get a jump on the annual forms with the links below:
  - Policies and Conditions
  - Medical Form
  - <u>Release Form</u>
    - Orientation Times:
      - 10:00am PreSchool-Beginner
      - 11:00am Primary & Intermediate
      - 12:00pm Solo Dress Check & Exchange
      - 1:00pm Advanced & Championship

### PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES:

- September 3 State Fair Day <u>Advanced/KII Form/Rubric</u>.
- September 8 MORE DANCERS NEEDED: Mac/Groveland Fest <u>All Levels Form/Rubric</u>.
- September 22 MORE DANCERS NEEDED: St. Ambrose Festival <u>All Levels Form/Rubric</u>.
- October 6 Hamline/Midway Save the date. Details coming soon!

No Saturday Open Studio on 8/25, 9/1, or 9/8. Fall Open Studio schedule begins September 15.

## Three Important Notes from OID Admin

- New Registration System: If you haven't done so already, please complete your registration using our new admin system <u>ClassBug</u>. You'll find your level already entered in your cart. If you have any questions about your registration, please email <u>OID Admin</u> and we'll help you directly or get your question or Cormac or Natalie to respond as appropriate.
- Special Closed Groups on Facebook: Remember to join the closed groups on Facebook: <u>O'Shea Irish Dance (OID) Dancers and Families Announcements and Activities</u> <u>O'Shea Irish Dance (OID) Major Competitions Group</u>
- **Remind App:** If you haven't done so already, please sign up for "All Dancers And Families All Levels" notifications on the Remind App. On your preferred mobile device, please visit: https://www.remind.com/join/osheair You'll be prompted to register and create a password. A security code will be sent to your phone and then you'll get a link to download the app. If you already have the app, you have the option to skip the last step. Follow the setup prompts once the app is installed. If prompted to join a class, type: osheair.

## Parents Dance Too!

Curious about the skills your kids are building? Why not sign up for the Adult Classes on Wednesday nights. There's also an Adult Fitness class on Tuesdays. Visit <u>ClassBug</u> to register.

# **Online OID Logowear Store is OPEN!**

The O'Shea logowear website is open from now until 9/26 with item delivery mid-October. The store will be open longer that 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!

#### 2018oshea.itemorder.com

Please contact Galena with any questions: galena.schirmer@gmail.com

## **Upcoming Regional Feiseanna**

More info and registration for these recommended upcoming regional feiseanna can be found here.

- Sept 29 The Minnesota Feis (St. Paul)
- Sept 30 The Saint Paul Autumn Feis (St. Paul)

**St. Paul Autumn Feis honors Áine O'Shea.** As you're registering, please note that there is a Hornpipe Special dance in memory of Áine O'Shea. Registration proceeds for this dance will be sent to St. Francis Hospice in Blanchardstown for the love and care they gave to Áine in her final days.

# Coming Up at CJAC – More Info Here

#### 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.

IS EVERYBODY BACK TO SCHOOL? LOOK FOR YOUR NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 7, 2018