

# Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, April 12, 2019

## Upcoming Important Dates - Mark Your Calendars

- **OID Closed for Spring Break/Worlds** - Monday 4/15 through Monday 4/22.
- **Snow Day Make-Up Days** - Regular classes will be held Tuesday 4/23 through Thursday 4/25 for those wishing to attend class to make up for missed days due to weather closures. Attendance is optional.
- **FESTIVAL OF NATIONS** - Thursday, May 2 - Sunday, May 5 - [Form/Rubric](#) - Sign Up Now!
  - WHO:
    - Performance Teams, Teen KII dancers, Adults
  - DAY SCHEDULE:
    - Thu May 2 - 11 am and 1 pm (INT, ADV, and KII)
    - Fri May 3 - 11 am and 1 pm (INT, ADV, and KII)
    - Sat May 4 - noon (INT and ADV ages 7-14), 1 pm (INT, ADV, and KII ages 12+), 4 pm (adult) and 6 pm (adult)
    - Sun May 5 - 5 pm (adult)
- **OID Spring Recital!** - Mark your calendars! May 11, 2 pm to 5 pm - **Details Below**

## Good Luck Dancers Headed to WORLDS!

OID is sending a slew\* of dancers to the World Irish Dancing Championships in Greensboro, NC next week. Good luck to our four teams and the following nine solo dancers: Ava, Ayuna, Evan, Hannah, Jason, Molly, Molly, Roisin, and Sophie!

\* Fun fact: the noun *slew* is from the Irish Gaelic *sluagh*, meaning "multitude."

## Special Class Offering - Family Four-Hand Ceili

Do you want to learn what goes into a basic ceili dance? Then we've got just the class: Family Four-Hand Ceili for ages 6 and up. Come with siblings, cousins, friends, parents. Gain skills that will be useful for parties, social dances, and ceilis!

This special class offering is available for registration now. Look for the Family 4-Hand class in Spring 2019 classes in StudioDirector. The class will run for eight sessions (three in April and five in May) on Thursdays from 5 pm to 6:30 pm and costs \$50 per month.

## Summer Camp for New Students

Our OID New Student Beginner Summer camps are **Monday, June 17 through Thursday, June 20**. Share the joy of Irish dance with a friend, cousin or sibling! **Registration information coming soon!** If you're interested or know someone who's interested, please email [oidadmin@oshairishdance.com](mailto:oidadmin@oshairishdance.com) and we'll share registration info when it is available.

- 9-10 am preschool (ages 3-5)
- 10-12 beginners (ages 5-12)

## Our May Feiseanna are Coming Up!

The O'Shea Irish Dance Feis (May 18) and the Minneapolis Leap into Spring Feis (May 19) are coming up fast. Registration is open at [www.feisworx.com](http://www.feisworx.com). Please talk to your teacher if you have questions about what dances to register for. These feiseanna are coordinated by our own Irish Dance Parent Association (IDPA). More info at [www.idpamn.org](http://www.idpamn.org). Volunteer at [OID Feis](#) and/or [Leap Into Spring](#).

## Natalie's Office Hours

Natalie will be holding regular office hours to answer questions from dancers and families Mon - Thu 8 pm to 8:30 pm in her office at CJAC. As always, Natalie is available from 9 am to 3 pm by text/email.

## OID Spring Recitals Details

This is our big event for all dancers in levels **Preschool, Beginner, Primary I, and Primary II** to feature them at their own special event on May 11! This is a ticketed event for adults. Youth 18 and under are free. (No need to reserve a seat for them.) The recital is broken into two groups with two separate arrival and recital times. Please check the schedule and make sure your family is purchasing tickets and has the details for the correct recital. **Dancers should arrive ONE HOUR BEFORE their scheduled recital time.**

**3 pm RECITAL 1** ([Tickets Here](#)) *Arrive at 2 pm.* THIS RECITAL INCLUDES:

- WEDNESDAY PRE-SCHOOL
- WEDNESDAY & SATURDAY BEGINNERS
- WEDNESDAY PRIMARY 1 and PRIMARY 2

**4:15 pm RECITAL 2** ([Tickets Here](#)) *Arrive at 3:15 pm.* THIS RECITAL INCLUDES:

- MONDAY PRE-SCHOOL
- MONDAY BEGINNERS
- MONDAY PRIMARY 1 and PRIMARY 2

## Classes for Littles at CIM

Do you have friends with small children? We would love to have a few more Celtic Cuties families and Tin Whistle Troupe 1 students (age 6-9) for our late-start spring semester classes! Help CIM by sharing these links with your friends! [Celtic Cuties](#) is on Fridays and Saturdays 9:30am-10:15am starting this week. [Tin Whistle Troupe](#) is on Thursdays from 6:30-7:15pm starting next week

## What's Coming Up at CJAC's [Irish College of Minnesota](#)

College quality classes for community audiences. Spring Quarter runs April-June 2019 and includes multiple classes in Irish Language, History & Literature, Celtic Creative Arts, and Irish Genealogy. Click the link above for more information.