# Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, July 10, 2020

## **Important Dates - Mark Your Calendars**

- July 11 IDPA Board Meeting 10 am
- July 13 Classes Resume!
- August 8 Socially Distanced OID Dance Festival and OID 15 Year Celebration!

### **Notes from Cormac and Natalie**

We hope you had a wonderful 4th of July break! Here are some upcoming announcements we're very excited to share:

- Beginner and Primary dancers begin "In Person" classes at the junction starting Monday, July 13th see <u>HERE</u> for guidelines. Teachers will share detailed schedules independently.
- The OID Dance Festival is confirmed for Saturday, August 8th, which will take place out of doors at Celtic Junction Arts Center. No costumes or wigs - OID gear only (the shop is open - see details below or click <u>HERE!</u>)
- We'll be celebrating OID's 15 year anniversary with some outdoor, distanced fun on the evening of Saturday the 8th as well!
- Celtic Junction Arts Center will be holding outdoor events on Friday, Saturday and Sunday in place of the Irish Fair events August 7th-9th. Stay tuned!

# OID Logo Wear Store Closes on Monday - get your gear for the Class Feis!

The OID Logowear Store is open! Any OID gear will be welcome for the upcoming class feis. This round will close on 7/13 and items will be available after 7/24. As always, please double-check the size charts--all sales are final. Here's the link: <a href="https://summer2020oshea.itemorder.com/sale">https://summer2020oshea.itemorder.com/sale</a>

## **SUMMER CAMPS on ZOOM!**

We had so much fun in our Zoom Summer Camps this week we're holding them again in **July!** Registration is available on StudioDirector. Look for an email with details you can share with friends and family:



#### Fairies, Folktales and Fun

We will dive into the magical world of fairies and magical animals through music and dance of Ireland. Stories, music and steps are specially chosen to explore rhythms and that spin through Irish culture. Pretend, move and explore the foundation of creative dance with Irish style in your own home (classes held on Zoom)!

- July 27th-30th from 9:00-9:45 am- Fairies, Folktales and Fun, Ages 3-5. Parent presence helpful

#### **Beginner-Leap into Irish Dance!**

Rhythm and song to get your feet moving! Learn jig steps and a reel with us as we connect with the Irish culture with stories and songs to help learn dances. Experienced dance teachers tailor classes for the age-level and ability of students. Join us for this unique opportunity to learn Irish dance. Current and new students are welcome (new content)!

-Ages 5-10 for dancers, athletes, and people new to Irish dance learn a reel in 5 days (1 hour) RUN July 27th-30th from 10:00-11:00 am. Classes held on Zoom.

-Ages 10 & up learn a reel for 2-3 days in a row (1 hour and 15 minutes) July 27th-30th 1-2:15 pm. Classes held on Zoom.

### **Latest Guidance on COVID-19**

As we continue to bring more students back to the studio, we'll all need to keep working hard to avoid crowds, and follow good distancing and mask protocols so we can keep Minnesota cases down and help enable a safe return to the studio. We continue to carefully monitor for further guidance on next steps. State info can be found <a href="here">here</a> and the City of Saint Paul's info is <a href="here">here</a>.

### Class Schedule and Zoom Studio Links

We'll share an updated schedule of in-person and Zoom classes and list of links before we start up again after Summer Break. Hope you're having a great break!

LOOK FOR YOUR NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE ON FRIDAY, JULY 17, 2020