

Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, September 18, 2020

Important Dates - Mark Your Calendars

- September 18th - 20th - Celtic Junction Fall Outdoor Concert Weekend starts TODAY!
Concert lineup and ticket information below.
- September 26 & 27 St. Paul Autumn Feis

International Day of Irish Dance!

Thank you dancers and families for your response and support of our part in celebrating the inaugural International Day of Irish Dance yesterday. What a turnout! The event was streamed on the Celtic Junction Arts Center Facebook page and [videos remain on that page for your viewing](#). Half a dozen schools and groups performed in the afternoon culminating with the second group of dancers from OID.



Help Build New Stage Sections

In preparation for our upcoming feis weekend we are repainting, refurbishing, and building new stage sections. We are looking for volunteers for the assembly line! We are starting at 10 am on Sunday, 9/20. [Please fill out this form](#) if you're able to help!

Reminder: families wishing to keep their stage sections are asked to donate **\$25 per section--the cost of purchasing materials to construct new sections has gone up!** IDPA will use the funds to buy those materials to build the replacement sections they need for the feis. If you would like to help build, contact Cormac at 612-703-2167. If you have made arrangements with Cormac to keep your stage sections, please use this link to make your payment: <https://www.paypal.me/IDPAdance>



Fall Concerts at CJAC's Fall Outdoor Concert Weekend

Come out and hear live music over the weekend of Sept 18-20! Cash Bar! [Tickets and info here.](#)

FRIDAY:

- **4:00pm** Twice Banjaxed (With OID Dancers Morien McBurnie & Liam O'Shea!)
- **5:30pm** Dean Magraw (Star of The Holiday Hooley)
- **7:00pm** Todd Menton (Star of The Holiday Hooley & Kickin' It Irish!)

SATURDAY:

- **12:30pm** Liam Slattery & David Ochs (OID Graduates!)
- **2:00pm** Dakota Dave Hull
- **3:30pm** The Explainers
- **5:00pm** Gary Rue
- **7:00pm** Wild Colonial Bhoys

SUNDAY:

- **12:30pm** Patsy O'Brien & Dick Hensold
- **2:00pm** Taking Flight Collective (Featuring OID Teacher & Dancer, Adrienne O'Shea)
- **3:30pm** Dáithí Sproule & Laura Mackenzie
- **5:00pm** Two Tap Trio (Featuring Norah Rendell & Brian Miller, CIM teachers & Star of The Holiday Hooley)

For YOUR SAFETY AND OURS! Please note:

The concerts will take place in our south parking lot. Bring camp chairs with you! Masks are required while moving, and when you are within 6 feet of others not in your bubble. The CJAC building is closed to the public. Entering & exiting the CJAC building south door is for bathroom use only. Disinfecting equipment is required after each bathroom use. Adults will need to help with children.

Also! Irish Fair of MN will be hosting an outside bar during the weekend. Support our annual Irish festival with a purchase!

We are working hard for this community to come together safely. If there is any sign of illness in your group, please stay home and we will issue a full refund.

Fall Classes at CJAC's Irish College of MN

New Fall classes are open for registration at the Irish College of Minnesota:

- Irish Language / An Ghaeilge
- History and Literature / Stair agus Litríocht
- Creative Arts / Ealaíona Chruthaitheach

All classes are on ZOOM & available at the Irish College of Minnesota's page on the Celtic Junction Arts Center website. [Click for more detail.](#)

OID Logowear Store is OPEN!

Logowear store is open from now until the end of the month. It says that it's closing on September 8th, but **it will stay open until 9/30 with delivery early/mid-Oct.** <https://oshea2020.itemorder.com/sale>

Latest Guidance on COVID-19

We are following a "hybrid" structure in which small (anaerobic) step classes are held ***in-person*** in small "bubble" groups. Larger (aerobic) fitness classes, including Adult Fitness, Stretch/Warmup and Barre, will only be available ***online***. With schools in the Twin Cities mostly online, we are striving to make dance safe and accessible. All of the details about the building rules, class precautions and safety measures are in the following documents:

- [CJ Studio Use](#) | [Bathroom Protocols](#) | [CJ Covid Statement](#)

We continue to carefully monitor for further guidance on next steps. State info can be found [here](#) and the City of Saint Paul's info is [here](#).

LOOK FOR YOUR NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2020