



Feis Iarthair na Gaillimhe

16th & 17th October 2021

Árd Rí House Hotel, Tuam

Co. Galway H54 V267

Clárithe leis an Coimisiún Le Rincí Gaelacha

Moltóirí

Elaine Kavanagh-Cullen	:	Leinster
Michelle Lawrence	:	Munster
Brian Corrigan	:	Ulster

Ceoltóir

Aidan O'Neill	:	UK
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Syllabus Approved by: Derek Fahy ADCRG,
Feis Registrar
Comhairle Chonnachta

Dear teachers, parents & dancers,

Welcome back to the world of feiseanna. It is so good to get back & we are looking forward to seeing you all.

This year's feis will run Prelim & Open championships.

We would like to bring the following to your attention:

- ❖ Our championships will be 100% recall.
- ❖ Competitions will be adjudicated by a panel of 3
- ❖ Entries open Friday 24th Sept. @ 9am
- ❖ Entries only taken from registered CLRG teachers.
- ❖ One parent/guardian per dancer.
- ❖ Covid certs are needed by all people 18+ on admission to hotel.
- ❖ Full dances will be danced at feis.
- ❖ Updates will be provided on the Atlantic Irish Dance Academy Facebook page.

Provisional Timetable

Time	Sat. 16th Oct.	Time	Sun. 17th Oct.
8.30 am	12 - 13	8.30 am	10 - 11
11.00 am	13 - 14 (girls & boys)	11.00 am	11 - 12 (girls & boys)
1.30 pm	14 -15	1.30 pm	U5, 5-6, 6-7
4.00 pm	15 - 16 (girls & boys)	3.00 pm	7 - 8
5.30pm	16 -17, 17 - 18, & O - 18 (ladies & Gents)	4.00 pm	8 - 9
		5.30 pm	9 - 10 (girls & boys)

➤ **The current guidance from the Irish Government regarding events is as follows.**

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It will therefore be necessary for parents/guardians/dancing teachers and dancers competing in the over 18 competitions to produce a COVID passport to enter the venue.

Atlantic Irish Dance Academy
Feis Iarthair na Gaillimhe 2021
COVID19 Protocol

Date: 16th & 17th October 2021

Location: Árd Rí House Hotel, Milltown Rd., Tuam, Co. Galway H54 V267

Adjudicators: Elaine Kavanagh-Leinster
Michelle Lawrence-Muster
Brian Corrigan-Ulster

Musician: Aidan O'Neill-UK

Arrival/Exiting Venue

- ❖ Everyone will enter the feis via the back of the hotel and exit via the front of the hotel. Please look for the designated signs.
- ❖ Doors will be closed during competitions, unnecessary entering and exiting of venue will not be permitted.
- ❖ We will run full capacity age groups on their own. Small numbered competitions may end up being run alternately.
- ❖ Once each session is in and results are given, that session will be asked to leave the dance feis area. Only when one session is gone can another timed session be permitted in.
- ❖ Watch for updates on our schedule on our Facebook page Atlantic Irish Dance Academy.
- ❖ Dancers with their one parent/guardian will be ticked off as they enter and will receive their entry pack (competitor number, safety pin, waiver of agreement and medals).
- ❖ We ask all patrons (over 12) to wear masks at all times and to practise good hand hygiene. Dancers will not be required to wear masks while on stage dancing.
- ❖ Please ensure you take your time entering, keeping 2m social distance.
- ❖ Seats will be 2m apart and we ask that each pair (dancer and parent/guardian) remain at their seat as much as possible between dances.
- ❖ We ask dancers to arrive ready at the venue (i.e., wig/makeup done) to ensure that we can commence competitions as swiftly as possible.
- ❖ We remind people to act responsibly outside of the Árd Rí House Hotel and in the nearby car parks and to continue to adhere to Government and HSE guidelines.
- ❖ The Árd Rí House Hotel feis area will be cleaned following each competition before the next age group enter.

Dancing

- ❖ Competitions will be capped.
- ❖ Dancing will all be on the main stage with non-slip flooring.
- ❖ There will be the following age groups:
 - Mixed Ages: U5, 6-7, 7-8, 8-9
 - Girls Ages: 9-10, 10-11, 11-12, 12-13, 13-14, 14-15, 15-16, 16-17, 17-18, O18
 - Boys Ages: 9-10, 10-12, 12-14, 14-16, 16-18, O18

Depending on entries we may split over 18 ladies.
- ❖ There will be the option to enter preliminary in ages 8-9 to 15-16 inclusive.
- ❖ Dancers will line side stage in a socially distanced manner.
- ❖ We will commence with the light round first followed by heavy round followed by set to save time changing shoes.
- ❖ The dancers will dance two at a time on stage.
- ❖ Required dances are as follows.
 - U5 Any Light Dance
 - 5-6 & 6-7 Reel, Single Jig, Jig
 - 7-8 & 8-9 Reel, Jig, Trad Set
 - 9-10 Upwards Reel/Slip Jig, Heavy Jig/Hornpipe, Open Set
- ❖ The following are the number of bars that will be danced.
 - 9-10 Upwards will dance full dances
 - Reel 48 bars
 - Slip Jig 40 bars
 - Heavy Jig 48 bars
 - Hornpipe 40 bars
 - All other younger ages will dance 8 bars short

There will be no re-dancing of preliminary, it is incorporated in open.

Entries

- ❖ Entries are to be made via email to atlanticirishdanceacademy@gmail.com by registered CLRG teachers only. Entries will not be accepted via any other means.
- ❖ Entries will open Friday 24th September 2021 at 9.00am.
- ❖ Please ensure to stage dancers.
 - Name
 - Age Group
 - Prelim or Open
 - School
 - Name of parent/guardian
 - Contact traceable phone number
- ❖ Once entries are received by email a return email will be sent with bank account details.
- ❖ Entries fees must be paid in full within 48 hours of your entry being accepted.
- ❖ Fees are as follows (includes parent/guardian entry and result sheets)
 - €40.00 Open Championship
 - €45.00 Preliminary Championship
 - €15.00 Under 5 Championship
- ❖ Fees can be paid via **bank transfer** only.
- ❖ A waiting list will be created for any age groups that reach full capacity.
- ❖ Timetable may have to be changed depending on entries. Day's timetable will remain the same.

Stall

- ❖ Buckles & Bling will be in attendance for the weekend of the event. We ask that patrons are considerate of the safety of the Buckles & Bling staff and wear masks when attending the shop.
- ❖ They also offer a click and collect service if you wish to contact Sinead prior to arriving to the feis. Please contact www.bucklesandbling.ie or call Sinéad on 087-6786881 and your order will be ready for collection on the day of the feis.

Rialacha

- ❖ Age reckoned from January 1st, 2021.
- ❖ Entries will only be accepted from teachers currently registered with An Coimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha.
- ❖ No refunds except in the case that the event does not run.
- ❖ In prelim and open competitions up to and including under 10, make up is not permitted.
- ❖ No block/en point (stationary or moving) permitted for all ages up to and including under 11.
- ❖ Objections must be lodged in writing within one hour of the announcement of a competition and be accompanied by a fee of €30 which will be refunded should the objection be valid.
- ❖ Videoing of competitions is strictly forbidden.
- ❖ The adjudicator's decision is final.
- ❖ Smoking is not permitted anywhere in the building, please use the designated areas.
- ❖ The committee as far as practical will provide a stage surface suitable for dancing. However, the committee cannot accept any liability whatsoever for injuries sustained while on stage. The lodgement of any entry will be deemed to be acceptance of this made by the dancer and his/or parent(s) or guardian(s).
- ❖ Awards presentation photos will be put on the organising feis Facebook page. If you do not wish your child to be on this page you must inform the organisers of the feis before the awards are made.
- ❖ Preliminary rule.
 - A dancer must not have placed top five in any open championship judged by three or more adjudicators.
 - A dancer must not have won a prelim championship more than two times in the current year.
 - A dancer must not have qualified for the World Championships in 2020 or 2021 with the exception of boys who are eligible if they qualified but did not place in the top three.
 - A dancer must not have recalled in the actual championship at the All Irelands 2020.
 - If a dancer has not succeeded in placing in the top 5 but has won 2 prelim championships in the current year, they are eligible to dance prelim again the following year.

COVID-19

- ❖ We ask that you do not attend Feis Iarthair na Gaillimhe if you or your child are unwell or if your unvaccinated child have had contact with a known or suspected case of COVID-19. Open lines of communication are vital in identifying these situations.

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- ❖ The windows in the hotel will remain open for the entire day to ensure adequate ventilation.

- ❖ In the event that a dancer gets sick on the stage it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to assist the dancer off the stage and clean up.

***Syllabus approved by Derek Fahy, Feis Registrar, on behalf of Comhairle Chonnachta.*

***The approval of this syllabus is simply to ensure that the dances, number of competitions etc. listed therein, adhere to the rules and regulations of Comhairle Chonnachta and An Coimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha. It is important to highlight that, during the COVID19 pandemic, it is solely the responsibility of the organisers to ensure that all feiseanna abide by the relevant advice and directives of the government, HSE and public health authorities in force at the time of the event.*

Waiver of Liability Agreement

(To be signed on the day)

In advance of the attending the feis we require you to carefully consider the following agreement as you/your child's entry will be determined on the signing of same.

Acknowledgement of Pandemic

I am aware that the World Health Organisation and other government and health authorities have declared COVID-19 a pandemic. I am aware that social distancing is to be practised and that any increased social contact during this pandemic poses an increased risk of transmissions which could cause injury, illness or death.

Confirmation of health and non-travel

I confirm that I (or on behalf of the participant) am in good health, have not been a close contact with a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19 and have not travelled internationally in the past 14 days and will inform my teachers, who will inform the feis organisers, should they plan to travel abroad before the feis.

Acknowledgement and Voluntary Assumption of Risk

I am aware that other persons may attend the feis and may have been exposed to the COVID-19 virus. I am aware of the risks, dangers, and hazards associated with attending the feis at this time and I (or on behalf of the participant) freely accept and fully assume all such risks, dangers and hazards and the possibility of personal injury, illness or loss resulting there from. I am aware that I (or on behalf of the participant) may require first aid, which may require "hands on" care and social distancing may not be possible in this instance.

Waiver of Claims

I agree to waive any and all claims that I now or in the future may have against the feis organisers, any of their directors, employees, contractors, assigns and/or successors (the "releasees") and to release the releasees from any and all liability for any injury, illness or loss may suffer as a result of attendance at the feis due to COVID-19. I agree the feis organisers have carried out a thorough risk assessment prior to the running of the feis and have put in place all measures to negate any risk of the virus being spread and/or contracted during same.

Indemnification

I agree to hold harmless and indemnify the releases from any and all liability for any injury, illness or loss to from attendance at the feis as the case may be due to COVID-19. I can confirm that I have read and understood this agreement and I am aware that, by signing this agreement, I am waiving certain legal rights which I may have against the releasees.

I confirm that I am voluntarily signing this agreement.

Name of participant (dancer): _____ Phone: _____

Participant signature (if over 18): _____

Date signed: _____

For participants of minority age (under 18 at the time of feis)

This is to certify that I as a parent/guardian, with legal responsibility for this participant, have read and explained the provisions in this waiver/release to my child including the risks of presence and participation and his/her personal responsibilities for adhering to the rules and regulations for protection against COVID-19. I for myself, my family and child do agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees for any and all liabilities in relation to COVID-19 relating to my minor child's presence or participation in the feis provided above post COVID-19.

Name of participant (dancer): _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Date signed: _____

Árd Rí House Hotel



<http://www.ardrihousehotel.ie/>

Phone: 093-40100 Email: info@ardrihousehotel.ie

<https://maps.google.ie/maps?hl=en&tab=rl&authuser=0>

Saturday: 12.30pm-3.00pm Carvery
3.00pm-9.00pm Bar Food

Sunday: 12.30pm-7.00pm Carvery
7.00pm-9.00pm Bar Food



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