Hosted by the O'Brien School of Irish Dancing (Victoria/Ladner) and The O'Brien School of Irish Dancing Parents Association

# THE

# SALISH SEA FEIS

# Saturday, February 7th

Feis Starting at 9:00am

Mary Winspear Centre 2243 Beacon Ave W Sidney, BC

Register at www.iFeis.net

Entries due January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026 or when entry cap is reached



#### Schedule

The Salish Sea Feis will be held Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:00am. A detailed schedule will be posted on social media when all entries are final.

## Registration

Registration and syllabus are available through **www.iFeis.net**Closing date for entries will be <u>January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026</u>. Entries will be accepted until January 25th. **No entries will be accepted on the day of the Feis.** 

## **Payments**

Payment is made by credit card through iFeis or e-transfer.

**PAYMENTS BY E-TRANSFER**: Feis fees may be paid by e-transfer from any Canadian bank (and some US banks).

Please include the dancer's name, school and number in the message box before sending.

E-transfers can be sent to: osidpa@gmail.com

Question: What is the name of the Feis?

Answer: SalishSea

IMPORTANT: E-transfers must have dancer's name and dancer ID number to process.

#### **ENTRY FEES:**

Family Registration Fee \$40.00 \*\*\$50.00 after December 25<sup>th</sup> (per immediate family)

Solo Competitions \$7.00 per competitor
Trophy Competitions: \$20.00 per competitor
Championships \$50.00 per competitor
Figure Dances \$7.00 per team member

Art Competition Free to enter

Slip Jig Charity Competition \$20.00 per comp, proceeds to BC Children's Hospital

There will be a Maximum Fee of \$160.00 per immediate family.

Family Maximum excludes registration fee, specials and trophy competitions.

\*Family Registration Fee covers admission to the Feis for dancer family, online results, and online entry info through www.iFeis.net.

#### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

#### Admission & Results

An admission fee of \$50 per family will be charged through iFeis upon registration which includes online results.

## Special Competitions

Slip Jig Charity Competition: fee is \$20.00 per dancer All proceeds will benefit BC Children's Hospital

**Art Competition**: All art must be submitted in the morning of the Feis day (February 7<sup>th</sup>) and must be taken home after the awards. Be sure all art is labeled clearly with name, age and phone number. All art must have Irish cultural theme (legends, Celtic knots, etc) and can be created with any art medium (paint, sketch, crayon, clay, wood, etc).

Art competition is free to enter.

#### **Hotel Information**

Our host hotel will be the **Victoria Airport Days Inn**, a 5-minute walk across the road from the venue. Please call (250) 656-1176 to reserve or go to their website: <a href="https://www.wyndhamhotels.com/en-ca/days-inn/sidney-british-columbia/days-inn-victo-ria-airport-sidney">https://www.wyndhamhotels.com/en-ca/days-inn/sidney-british-columbia/days-inn-victo-ria-airport-sidney</a>

#### Venue Information

The Mary Winspear Centre is minutes away from the Victoria airport and a 5-minute drive from BC Ferries Swartz Bay terminal. There is free parking at the facility, bus service, and Sidney taxi cabs. The town of Sidney has many shops and services ready to welcome the Irish dancers back to the Town by the Sea!

### Feis Inquiries

For all inquiries, please contact Salish Sea Feis at salishseafeis@gmail.com

## 2026 SALISH SEA FEIS **SYLLABUS**

**Grades Solo Competitions** 

First Feis	U6	U8	U10	U12	12&Over
Reel	3	7	11	15	17
Light Jig	4	8	12	16	18
Beginner	U8	U10	U12	U14	14&Over
Reel	121	135	149	163	170
Light Jig	122	136	150	164	171
Single Jig	123	137	151	165	172
Slip Jig	124	138	152	166	173
Treble Jig	125	139	153	167	174
Hornpipe	126	140	154	168	175
Trad Set	127	141	155	169	176
Adv Beginner	U8	U10	U12	U14	14&Over
Reel	221	235	249	263	270
Light Jig	222	236	250	264	271
Single Jig	223	237	251	265	272
Slip Jig	224	238	252	266	273
Treble Jig	225	239	253	267	274
Hornpipe	226	240	254	268	275
Trad Set	227	241	255	269	276
Novice	U8	U10	U12	U14	14&Over
Reel	321	335	349	363	370
Light Jig	322	336	350	364	371
Single Jig	323	337	351	365	372
Slip Jig	324	338	352	366	373
Treble Jig	325	339	353	367	374
Hornpipe	326	340	354	368	375
Trad Set	327	341	355	369	376
Prizewinner	U8	U10	U12	U14	14&Over
Reel	421	435	449	463	470
Light Jig	422	436	450	464	471
Single Jig	423	437	451	465	472
Slip Jig	424	438	452	466	473
Treble Jig	425	439	453	467	474
Hornpipe	426	440	454	468	475
Trad Set	427	441	455	469	476
Adult	Beginner	Novice	Prizewinner		
Reel	500	507	514		
Light Jig	501	508	515		
Single Jig	502	509	516		
Slip Jig	503	510	517		
Treble Jig	504	511	518		
Hornpipe	505	512	519		
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Trad Set	506	513	520		

**Grades Trophy Competitions** 

First Feis Trophy	U6	U8	U10	U12	12&Over
	900	902	904	906	907
Beginner/Adv Beg	U8	U10	U12	U14	14&Over
Reel Trophy					
	932	934	936	938	939
Novice/Prizewinner	U8	U10	U12	U14	14&Over
Hardshoe Trophy					
	947	949	951	953	954
Adult Beginner	550				
Trophy					
Adult Nov/Pw	560				
Trophy					

**Grades Specials** 

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Beginner/Adv Beg Light Jig Special	U10	U12	12&Over
	1000	1001	1002
Novice/Prizewinner Trad Set Special	U10	U12	12&Over
	1100	1101	1102
Novice/Prizewinner Treble Reel Special	U10	U12	12&Over
	1200	1201	1202

**Championship Competitions** 

Preliminary	U10	U12	U14	U16	16&Over
Championship					
Soft shoe/hard shoe/set	703	705	707	709	710
Open Championship	U12	U14	U16	U18	18&Over
Soft shoe/hard shoe/set	725	727	729	731	732
Adult Championship	600				
Adv Adult	601				
Championship					

**Championship Specials** 

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Prelim/Open Trad Set Special	U10	U12	12&Over
	1300	1301	1302
Prelim/Open Treble Reel Special	U10	U12	12&Over
	1400	1401	1402

Charity Slip Jig Special: All Grades 1500

Celtic Art Special: All Grades 1600

# Figure Competitions

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Grades Figure	U11	11&Over
2 Hand	810	815
3 Hand	811	816
4 Hand	812	817
6 Hand	813	818
8 Hand	814	819
Championship	U11	11&Over
2 Hand	860	865
3 Hand	861	866
4 Hand	862	867
6 Hand	863	868
8 Hand	864	869

#### **RULES** 2026 SALISH SEA FEIS



- I. Competitions are open only to amateurs. Only students of teachers registered in good standing with the WCIDTA, the IDTANA and An Coimisiun Le Rinci Gaelacha may compete.
- 2. Competitor's age will be determined as of January 1st of the current year.
- 3. Entry forms are to be checked and signed by the registering teacher.
- 4. Entry Fees:

Family Registration Fee \$50.00 (per immediate family)\*

Solo Competitions \$7.00 per competitor
Trophy Competitions \$20.00 per competitor
Championship Competitions \$50.00 per competitor
Figure Dancing \$7.00perteam member

Art Competition No fee

Slip Jig Charity Competition \$20.00 per comp, proceeds to BC Children's Hospital

There will be a maximum fee of \$160.00 per immediate family Family maximum excludes registration fee, specials and trophy competitions Family registration fee covers admission for the Feis for the dancer family, online results and online programming.

- 5. Music shall be in accordance with regulation metronome speeds.
- 6. Categories:

First Feis: A dancer who has not previously competed in a registered competition.

Beginner: A dancer who has not qualified for Advance Beginner in that particular dance.

**Advanced Beginner**: A dancer who has received qualifying place in that particular dance in the Beginner level, but has not yet qualified to move on to Novice in that particular dance.

**Novice**: A dancer who has received qualifying place in that particular dance in the Advanced Beginner level, but has not yet qualified to move on to Prizewinner for that particular dance.

**Prizewinner**: A dancer who has received qualifying place in that particular dance in the Novice level but has not yet qualified to advance to Preliminary Championships.

**First Feis Trophy:** (Reel, 32 bars) Open to dancers entered in their first Feis. Dancers may not compete in any other Trophy competition. (05/2022)

**Beginner / Advanced Beginner Trophies**: (Reel, 32 bars) Open to dancers who dance the majority of their dances in the Beginner or Advance Beginner level in solos. A dancer must advance to Novice/Prizewinner trophy if they receive two first place trophies, or if they advance in the majority of their solo levels.

**Novice / Prizewinner Trophies**: (Treble Jig/Hompipe, 32 bars, choice of two speeds) Open to dancers who dance the majority of their dances in the Novice or Prizewinner level in their solos. Also open to dancers who have previously won two first place trophies in the Beginner or Advanced Beginner Trophy competitions. Dancers in ALL age groups will dance the Treble Jig (as per 05/31/02)

**Preliminary Championships**: Open to dancers who have won two first place trophies in the Novice / Prizewinner Trophy competition, and who have not previously won two first place Preliminary Championships.

*Option A*: 48 bars of Reel OR 40 bars of Slip Jig, AND one non-traditional set dance, with the exception of the U8/U9 age groups who will dance a Traditional Set dance (11/11/05) *Option B*: 48 bars of Reel OR 40 bars of Slip Jig, AND one non-Traditional Set dance may be danced, with the exception of the U8/U9 age groups who will dance a Traditional Set dance (11/11/05). Where Option B is used, all three rounds will be offered as a trophy dance instead of Preliminary Solos (05/31/02).



**Option C**: 48 bars of Reel OR 40 bars of Slip Jig, AND 48 bars of Treble Jig OR 40 bars of Hornpipe, AND the option of a recall for the Set Dance Round in addition to offering all solo dances in Preliminary solo and Open competitions (11/05/04). U8/U9 age groups will dance a Traditional Set dance (11/11/05)

**Open Championship**: Open to dancers who have previously won three first place Preliminary Championships (01/09/24).

*Option A:* 48 bars of Reel OR 40 bars of Slip Jig, AND 48 bars of Treble Jig OR 40 bars of Hornpipe, AND one non-Traditional Set dance with the exception of the U8/U9 age groups who will dance a Traditional Set dance (11/11/05)

**Option B:** 48 bars of Reel OR 40 bars of Slip Jig, AND 48 bars of Treble Jig OR 40 bars of Hompipe, AND a non-Traditional Set dance except for the U8/U9 age groups who will dance a Traditional Set dance (11/11/05). Where Option B is used, all three rounds will be offered as a trophy dance instead of Open Solos (05/31/02)

- 7. Competitors may only dance each dance once, the exception being dancers who are entered in First Feis competitions, who may also dance in Beginner for those dances.
- 8. In Figure Dancing, only 50% of a team may be moved to higher age group to complete a Figure unless special permission has been granted by the Feis Committee prior to the Feis. All Ceili dances must be performed in accordance with the official handbook "An Rince Foirme".
- 9. A competition may be cancelled or combined with a higher age group if there are less than three entries. If the entry is 40 or higher, the competition will be split.
- 10. Dancers should be in the hall 60 minutes before their competition is scheduled
- II. All dancers must be in costume, complete with shoes and number to receive any award onstage.
- 12. Under no circumstances are the adjudicators or the musicians to be approached during the Feis. The decision of the adjudicator is final.
- 13. No steel taps or bubble heels allowed. Shoes may be subject to inspection by adjudicators. Costumes must be in accordance with the IDTANA and An Coimisiun guidelines.
- 14. The Feis committee, the WCIDTA, its parent bodies, and the venue are not responsible for any personal injury, property loss or damage during the event.
- 15. Protest against breach of rules will be considered if made in writing and signed by the objector. The objection must also be accompanied by a \$25 fee and reach the Feis Committee before prizes are presented. If the complaint is justified, the \$25 fee will be refunded.
- 16. Competitors may only compete in a Trophy Competitions OR Championship Competition, but not both. Specials (ie. Treble Reel, Slip Jig) do not apply.
- 17. Any form of unauthorized photography which has the capability to capture a dancer's image whilst in motion, using electronic or manual means; eg. mobile phone, standard camera, video camcorder, commercial film, with or without enhancement; is expressly forbidden in competition.

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- 18. The Feis Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry.
- 19. Dancers shall advance in each individual solo dance as follows (06/15/01):

Number of Dancers in the Competition	Placing(s) that move dancer(s) to the next level		
<5	no placing advances		
5 - 9	l st place moves up		
10 - 19	1st, 2nd, 3rd places move up		
20 - 29	1 st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th places move up		
30 or more	l st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th places move up		

- 20. Dancers shall advance in Trophy Competitions and Championship Competitions as follows:
  - A dancer who wins two first place trophies in Beginner/Advance Beginner Trophy advances to Novice/Prizewinner Trophy OR
  - A dancer who advances to Novice or Prizewinner for the majority of their solo levels (hard shoes in particular) automatically advances to the Novice/Prizewinner Trophy
  - A dancer who wins two first place trophies in Novice/Prizewinner advances to Preliminary Championships
  - A dancer who wins three first place Preliminary Championships advances to Open Championships
- 21. All Feis committees must award a minimum of 30% of competitors in Preliminary and Open Championships (11/01/02)
- 22. Shiny, plastic, number cards should not be used (11/06/03)

All other Feis rules as per An Coimisiun Le Rinci Gaelacha, the IDTANA and the WCIDTA.