

# 2024 Emerald City Feis

Sponsored by Emerald City Arts • Hosted by Tara Academy of Irish Dance  
*Member of An Coimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha, Dublin, Ireland*

**Saturday, April 27, 2024**

Location	Arch at 800 Pike; Seattle Convention Center • Eighth Avenue at Pike Street, Downtown Seattle
Registration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="http://www.feisworx.com">www.feisworx.com</a></li><li>• Registration deadline is <b>April 12, 2024</b> (<i>A dancer is not considered registered until fees are paid</i>)</li><li>• Late entry (payment postmarked or paid online after 4/12/24) requires a \$30.00 late fee</li></ul>
Entry Fees	<p>Payable online via FeisWorx or by check or money order in <u>US Funds only</u> to <b>Emerald City Arts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Event fee: \$25.00/family</li><li>• FeisWorx service fee: \$5.50/family, includes online personal results</li><li>• Soft shoe solos: \$25 flat fee includes all soft shoe dances</li><li>• Hard shoe solos: \$20 flat fee includes all hard shoe dances</li><li>• Preliminary, Open, and Adult Championships: \$60 (3 Rounds)</li><li>• All Specials: \$10</li><li>• Poetry Contest – no charge and Photo Contest – no charge</li></ul> <p>• Western US Region Minor Belt: \$75</p> <p>Family Maximum \$150 (family maximum does not include Belt competition, specials, registration fees or late fees) No refunds</p>
Schedule Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dancers must be in the hall 60 minutes before their competition is scheduled to begin</li><li>• The final feis schedule will be published as soon after the registration deadline as possible</li><li>• Feis information available at <a href="http://www.emeraldcityfeis.com">www.emeraldcityfeis.com</a></li><li>• Emerald City Feis (Saturday 4/27/24) will be run in conjunction with Feis Seattle (Sunday 4/28/24)</li></ul> <p><u>Emerald City Feis Competitions (Saturday 4/27/24)</u></p> <p>First Feis, Beginner 1, Beginner 2, Novice, Prizewinner, Adult Solos and Specials ** Preliminary and Open Championships and Specials Adult and Advanced Adult Championships Open Champion of Champions Dance Off Traditional Set Special to Benefit Seattle Children's Hospital Unsupported Care Fund Western US Region Minor Belt</p> <p><i>**Dancers who move up dance(s) on Saturday and are competing on Sunday may make the change to their dance level(s) at the registration table. It is strongly recommended that you make the changes on Saturday to help Sunday run smoothly.</i></p> <p><u>Feis Seattle (Sunday 4/28/24)</u></p> <p><i>Important Note: registration for Feis Seattle competitions is done separately at <a href="http://www.feisworx.com">www.feisworx.com</a> See Feis Seattle Syllabus for information about Sunday competitions</i></p>

<p><b>Adjudicators</b></p>	<p>Anne Hall, Colorado          Andy O'Reilly, North Carolina          Stephen Scariff, Florida          Jeannie Thornton, California          JR Walker, Florida          Ryan Carroll, Ontario</p>
<p><b>Musicians</b></p>	<p>Sean Cleland, Illinois          Sean Warren, Georgia</p>
<p><b>Rules</b></p>	<p>Attendees must adhere to any and all rules and protocols set forth by the Feis Committee, Washington State Convention Center, City of Seattle, King County, and Washington State. Amendments to these protocols may be made at any time.</p> <p>Dancing Competition Rules</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Competitor's age will be determined as of January 1, 2024.</li> <li>2. Competitors must be in the hall, prepared to dance, one hour prior to the scheduled beginning of their event. The feis may run ahead of the printed schedule and it is each competitor's responsibility to be prepared for that possibility.</li> <li>4. Dancers who appear in a competition for which they are not registered and paid will not be eligible for placement or awards.</li> <li>5. The Feis Committee may split or combine specials at its discretion.</li> <li>6. When awards are announced, competitors must be in costume, including dance shoes, to receive their awards.</li> <li>7. The Emerald City Feis, Tara Academy of Irish Dancing, Emerald City Arts, the Feis Committee and anyone associated with presenting the Feis shall not be held responsible or liable for any personal injury, property loss, or damage incurred before, during, or after the feis, by any participants or by anyone attending the event. By entering the feis, the entrant and/or the entrant's legal guardian agrees to indemnify and hold harmless this feis, the feis committee, volunteers, vendors, and venue for any liabilities or personal injury as a result of the entrant's participation in the event.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Level Advancement and Definition</b></p>	<p><i>First Feis</i> is the first feis ever for the dancer, not per dance. Dancer may have only one first feis regardless of how many dances they are doing. Dancers may only enter First Feis once even in case of back-to-back feiseanna.</p> <p>In <i>Beginner 1, Beginner 2 and Novice</i> the following will apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 - 9 dancers: 1st place will advance to the next grade.</li> <li>• 10 or more dancers: 1st and 2nd places will advance to the next grade.</li> <li>• Dancers may not stay in level at teacher discretion, with the exception of back-to-back feiseanna.</li> </ul> <p><i>Prizewinner</i>: Advancement from Prizewinner to Preliminary Championship is at teacher discretion.</p> <p><i>Preliminary to Open Championship</i>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have 3 overall wins with 5 or more dancers, not at teacher discretion.</li> <li>• Upon winning 3rd overall win in Preliminary Championships, a dancer must move immediately to Open, even in the case of back-to-back Feiseanna. This includes 2 round and 3 round Preliminary Championships.</li> </ul> <p><i>Adults</i>: Dancers who started after the age of 18, or who have been out of competitions for 5 years.</p> <p><i>Advanced Adults</i>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An Advanced Adult dancer is defined as anyone age 18 or older who has previously placed in the top 3 of a Prelim Championship or competed in Open Champ levels in the Youth/&amp;Over levels regardless of when the competitor was active.</li> </ul>

- An Advanced Adult dancer has opted to leave Youth/Over categories and once the dancer begins competing in Advanced Adult, the dancer may not return to Youth/Over categories.
- Advanced Adult Championships at NAIDC 2024 and WUSR 2024 will dance Reel/hornpipe. In 2025, Advanced Adults shall follow the rotation of dances for the Senior Ladies/Men age groups. For the recall round, set of choice will be performed.

*Beginner Figures:* Open only to dancers in beginner for at least one solo dance.

*Open Figures:* Open to all grade levels.

### Emerald City Feis Solo Competitions

First Feis	U7	U9	U11	11&O
Reel	001	005	009	013
Light Jig	002	006	010	014
Slip Jig	003	007	011	015
Single Jig	004	008	012	016

*\*\*First Feis is open to those who have never competed any dance in a feis. Dancers may not repeat these solos at the beginner level*

Beginner 1	U7	U9	U11	11&O
Reel	100	107	114	121
Light Jig	101	108	115	122
Slip Jig	102	109	116	123
Single Jig	103	110	117	124
Treble Jig	104	111	118	125
Hornpipe	105	112	119	126
St. Patrick's Day	106	113	120	127

Beginner 2	U7	U9	U11	11&O
Reel	200	207	214	221
Light Jig	201	208	215	222
Slip Jig	202	209	216	223
Single Jig	203	210	217	224
Treble Jig	204	211	218	225
Hornpipe	205	212	219	226
St. Patrick's Day	206	213	220	227

Adult	Beginner	Nov/Prizewinner
Reel	600	607
Light Jig	601	608
Slip Jig	602	609
Single Jig	603	610
Treble Jig	604	611
Hornpipe	605	612
Traditional Set	606 ** <i>St. Patrick's Day</i>	613

Novice	U9	U11	U13	13&O
Reel	300	307	314	321
Light Jig	301	308	315	322
Slip Jig	302	309	316	323
Single Jig	303	310	317	324
Treble Jig	304	311	318	325
Hornpipe	305	312	319	326
Traditional Set	306	313	320	327

Prizewinner	U9	U11	U13	U15	15&O
Reel	400	407	414	421	428
Light Jig	401	408	415	422	429
Slip Jig	402	409	416	423	430
Single Jig	403	410	417	424	431
Treble Jig	404	411	418	425	432
Hornpipe	405	412	419	426	433
Traditional Set	406	413	420	427	434

## Emerald City Feis Championships

Preliminary Championship	U9	U11	U13	U15	U17	17&O	
	700	701	702	703	704	705	
Open Championship	U9	U11	U13	U15	U17	U19	19&O
	707	708	709	710	711	712	713
Adults	Adult Championship		Advanced Adult Championship				
	714		715				

*Preliminary and Open Champions will dance 48 bars of treble jig or 40 bars of hornpipe, 48 bars of reel or 40 bars of slip jig, and a traditional set (Under 9 and Adult) or choice of traditional or non-traditional set (9 & Over and Advanced Adult). One adjudicator's marks will determine solo competition results for each round.*

## WESTERN US REGION MINOR BELT

*\*\* Open to Western US Region Under 13 Open Champions \*\**

- Winner earns \$500 and a perpetual belt.
- 5 adjudicator panel.
- Competitors will dance 48 bars of treble jig or 40 bars of hornpipe, and 48 bars of reel or 40 bars of slip jig.
- Where there are 20 or more, 50% of the dancers will recall for the set round; fewer than 20, all dancers will be recalled for the set.
- Awards will be given to 1/3 of the competitors up to a maximum of 5 places.

## Emerald City Feis Trophy Specials

Reel Special	U9	U11	11&O
<i>*One step of the reel (16 bars) down the line</i>			
First Feis	900	901	902
Beginner 1	903	904	905
Beginner 2	906	907	908

Spring Fling Light Jig Mask & Hat Special	U9	U11	11&O
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\*One step of the light jig (16 bars) down the line  
 \*Open to dancers entered in a First Feis, Beginner 1, or Beginner 2 light jig  
 \*Dancers: be creative and bring a springtime theme hat and/or mask to wear with your school costume!

First Feis/Beg 1/Beg 2	909	910	911
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Future Champions Treble Jig & Reel Special	U11	U13	13&O	Adult
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\*One step of the treble jig and one step of the reel (16 bars each) down the line for one adjudicator; scores will be combined to determine the placings  
 \*Open to dancers entered in Novice or Prizewinner  
 \*\*Also open to Adults entered in Adult Championship competition  
 \*Either speed treble jig is fine

Novice/Prizewinner	912	913	914	915**
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Treble Reel Special	U11	U13	U15	15&O
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\*One step of the treble reel (16 bars) down the line

Novice/Prizewinner	918	919	920	921
Preliminary Champion	922	923	924	925
Open Champion	926	927	928	929

### Traditional Set Special to benefit Seattle Children's Hospital's Unsupported Care Fund

\* 100% of entry fee will be donated to SCH to support the life-changing work being done there  
 \* Dancers may choose to perform any one of the traditional sets, i.e. St. Patrick's Day, Blackbird, etc.

	U12	12&O	All Ages
Novice/Prizewinner	930	931	
Preliminary Champion			932
Open Champion			933

### Poetry Competition

\* No entry fee  
 \* Entry of one poem, in any form, with an Irish theme or topic, limited to 20 lines or fewer  
 \* Please submit on one page (8 1/2 x 11 paper please) the previously unpublished poem and its title. The poem page should not include the dancer's name and no frames or matting please  
 \* Add a cover sheet which includes the title of the poem, the poet's name, age, telephone number, and dance school affiliation (siblings of dancers are welcome to enter)  
 \* Enter the poetry competition via [www.FeisWorx.com](http://www.FeisWorx.com) and bring the poem to the registration table by **10:00 am on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>**. Alternately, the poem may be mailed or emailed to be received by the feis on or before Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.  
 \* Note: poems may be displayed at the feis and may be reprinted in next year's feis program.

Ages U13	Ages 13 & Over
950	951

## Photo Competition

\* No entry fee

\* Capture a moment, a scene, or an image related to Irish music and/or dancing. Be creative, unique, expressive, truthful...it's your presentation and any kind of composition is acceptable except portraits

\* No photo-shop digital manipulation please

\* Please submit a standard 4" x 6" print from a digital or film camera (color or black/white). No frames or matting.

\* Add a cover sheet which includes the title of the work, the photographer's name, age, telephone number, and dance school affiliation (siblings of dancers are welcome to enter)

\* Enter the photo competition via [www.FeisWorx.com](http://www.FeisWorx.com) and bring the photo to the registration table by **10:00 am on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>**. Alternately, the photo may be mailed (no emails please) to be received by the feis on or before Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> (23304 La Pierre Drive, Mountlake Terrace, WA 98043).

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Please join us for the second 21+ **Reel Around Seattle** after Saturday's Emerald City Feis where we'll continue the day's celebration of Irish dance and culture at a local Irish pub. More details can be found on [www.emeraldcityfeis.com](http://www.emeraldcityfeis.com).

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