

Claddagh Dance Company

IS PROUD TO PRESENT

10th Annual

The Christmas Feis

Open Platform Feis

Sunday, December 6, 2026

at the

Westin Mission Hills Golf Resort & Spa

71333 Dinah Shore Drive, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270

Group reservation rate: \$189/night plus tax and fees

<https://book.passkey.com/go/CladdaghDec2026>

Adjudicators

Jenny Bailey-Murray, ADCRG – Illinois

Michael Dillon, ADCRG BG – California

Pat Hall, ADCRG BG – Arizona

Terry Gillan, ADCRG BG – Florida

Breda O'Brien, SDCRG – Massachusetts

Philip Owens, ADCRG BG – Florida

Musicians

Roen Fraser – Colorado

Carolyn Kehoe – Missouri

Martin Morrissey – California

Owen Shaffer – Ohio

Entry Deadline without Late Fees: **November 13, 2026**

Enter online at www.feisworx.com

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An Coimisiún Le Rincí Gaelacha

The Irish Dance Teachers Association of North America

Western U.S. Regional Council Inc.



SYLLABUS APPROVAL

THE CHRISTMAS FEIS 2026

IS REGISTERED WITH THE
WESTERN U.S. REGIONAL COUNCIL

SYLLABUS APPROVED BY:

Stephen Scariff

ADCRG BG - WUSR DIRECTOR

OCTOBER 2, 2026

DATE



LEVEL DEFINITIONS AND ADVANCEMENT RULES

First Feis is not per dance. It is the first Feis ever for the dancer. Dancers may only enter First Feis once, regardless of how many dances they are competing, even in the case of back-to-back Feiseanna.

In **Beginner 1, Beginner 2 and Novice** the following advancement rules will apply:

- Competitions with 5 - 9 dancers: 1st place will advance to the next grade.
- Competitions with 10 or more dancers: 1st and 2nd places will advance to the next grade.
- Dancers may not stay in level at teacher discretion, with the exception of back-to-back feiseanna.

Prizewinner: Advancement from Prizewinner to Preliminary Championship is at teacher discretion.

Preliminary to Open Championship:

- Dancer must have 3 overall wins in competitions with 5 or more dancers. Advancement to Open is not at teacher discretion.
- 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.

Adults: Dancers who started after the age of 18, or who have been out of Youth/&over competition for 5 years.

Advanced Adults: Dancers age 18 or older who previously placed in the top 3 of a Preliminary Championship or competed at the Open Championship level in the youth/&over levels, regardless of when the competitor was last active.

- Advanced Adults do not need to be out of competition for 5 years before moving from the youth/&over categories to Advanced Adults.
- Dancers who have already been competing in the regular Adult categories do not need to move to Advanced Adults, regardless of their level or placements achieved when competing in youth/&over.
- 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.

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

Open Figures: Open to all grade levels.

SOLO COMPETITIONS

Competitions will be split or combined based on entries at the discretion of the feis committee.

Beginner I	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	11&O
Reel	111	112	113	114	115	116
Light Jig	121	122	123	124	125	126
Slip Jig	131	132	133	134	135	136
Single Jig	141	142	143	144	145	146
Treble Jig	151	152	153	154	155	156
Hornpipe	161	162	163	164	165	166
St. Patrick's Day	171	172	173	174	175	176

Beginner II	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	11&O
Reel	211	212	213	214	215	216
Light Jig	221	222	223	224	225	226
Slip Jig	231	232	233	234	235	236
Single Jig	241	242	243	244	245	246
Treble Jig	251	252	253	254	255	256
Hornpipe	261	262	263	264	265	266
St. Patrick's Day	271	272	273	274	275	276

Novice	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	13&O
Reel	311	312	313	314	315	316	317	318
Light Jig	321	322	323	324	325	326	327	328
Slip Jig	331	332	333	334	335	336	337	338
Single Jig	341	342	343	344	345	346	347	348
Treble Jig	351	352	353	354	355	356	357	358
Hornpipe	361	362	363	364	365	366	367	368
Traditional Set	371	372	373	374	375	376	377	378

Prizewinner	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U15	15&O
Reel	411	412	413	414	415	416	417	418	419
Light Jig	421	422	423	424	425	426	427	428	429
Slip Jig	431	432	433	434	435	436	437	438	439
Single Jig	441	442	443	444	445	446	447	448	449
Treble Jig	451	452	453	454	455	456	457	458	459
Hornpipe	461	462	463	464	465	466	467	468	469
Traditional Set	471	472	473	474	475	476	477	478	479

Adult	Beg	Nov	PW
Reel	611	612	613
Light Jig	621	622	623
Slip Jig	631	632	633
Single Jig	641	642	643
Treble Jig	651	652	653
Hornpipe	661	662	663
St. Patrick's Day	671	--	--
Traditional Set	--	672	673

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Competitions will be split or combined based on entries at the discretion of the feis committee.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Treble Jig (48 bars) or Hornpipe (40 bars)
- Reel (48 bars) or Slip Jig (40 bars)
- Set Dance (traditional set dance only for U9 and Adult)

Preliminary Championships

Open to any dancer who has not placed 1st in three Preliminary Championships.

U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17	U19	U22	22&O
701	702	703	704	705	706	707	708	709	710	711	712

Open Championships

U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17	U19	U22	22&O
751	752	753	754	755	756	757	758	759	760	761	762

Adult Championships

Adult	Adv. Adult
681	682

TEAMS

To be eligible for Beginner Figure Dancing, a competitor must be entered in at least one Beginner Solo dance at this feis.

Beginner Figures	U8	U10	U12	12&O
2-Hand	811	812	813	814
3-Hand	821	822	823	824

Open Figures	U10	U12	U15	15&O
2-Hand	825	826	827	828
3-Hand	835	836	837	838
4-Hand (book dance)	845	846	847	848
6-Hand (book dance)	855	856	857	858
8-Hand (book dance)	865	866	867	868

Adult Figures	Any
2-Hand	691
3-Hand	692
4-Hand (book dance)	693
6-Hand (book dance)	694
8-Hand (book dance)	695

SPECIAL COMPETITIONS

REEL SPECIALS

One step reel “down the line”. Please note, Beginner Reel specials are open to those dancers entered in Reel at the Beginner I or Beginner II level in the feis. Novice/Prizewinner Reel specials are open to all dancers entered in the Reel at the Novice or Prizewinner level in the feis.

	<u>U7</u>	<u>U9</u>	<u>9&O</u>	
Beginner I/II	901	903	905	
	<u>U8</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>12&O</u>
Novice/Prizewinner	911	913	915	917
	<u>Any</u>			
Adult	920			

SPECIAL TROPHY COMPETITIONS

Preliminary Treble Reel Special	921	Open to all Preliminary Champions. Requirements: Treble Reel, 1 step down the line.
Open Treble Reel Special	922	Open to all Open Champions. Requirements: Treble Reel, 1 step down the line.
Preliminary Hard Shoe Special	923	Open to all Preliminary Champions. Requirements: Jig or Hornpipe, 1 step down the line.
Open Hard Shoe Special	924	Open to all Open Champions. Requirements: Jig or Hornpipe, 1 step down the line.
Rebecca Rose Miller Memorial	925	Open to all Preliminary and Open Champions. Requirements: Reel, 1 step down the line.
Quinn Family Slip Jig Special	926	Open to all Preliminary and Open Champion girls. Requirements: Slip Jig, 1 step down the line.

General Information

Closing date for entries is November 13, 2026.

Online entry only at www.feisworx.com. Entry fees must be received by the closing date to avoid late fees.

Entry Fees

• Soft Shoe Solos (flat fee)	\$25.00
• Hard Shoe Solos (flat fee)	\$20.00
• Championships	\$60.00
• Team Competitions (flat fee)	\$15.00
• Specials	\$15.00
• Family Registration	\$30.00
• Late Entry	\$40.00
• FeisWorx Fee	see feisworx.com

(Maximum of \$150 entry per family – not including specials, registration fee, late fees)

Requirements:

- Competitions are open to amateurs only.
 - Competitors' age will be determined as of January 1, 2026.
- The Christmas Feis is registered under and will follow the rules of the Western United States Region of the Irish Dancing Commission, Dublin, Ireland.

SCHEDULE

Competitions – Order of events is subject to change:

Santa's Ski Lodge Ballroom

Morning:

- Preliminary Championships
- Preliminary Specials

Afternoon:

- Open Championships

Winter Wonderland Ballroom

Morning:

- All Teams
- Beginner I / Beginner II Solos & Specials
- Novice / Prizewinner / Adult Solos & Specials

Afternoon:

- Open Championships
- Adult & Adv Adult Championships
- Open Treble Reel Specials
- Open Hard Shoe Specials
- Rebecca Rose Miller Reel Special
- Quinn Family Slip Jig Special

Awards – Championship and Special Awards will be presented at the lunch break and end of day. Awards will be announced in the "North Pole" Ballroom.