

McTeggart Irish Dancers New Mexico present

Balloon Fiesta Feis

Monday, October 12, 2026

New Mexico Dance Academy / Peace Love Space

10410 Comanche Rd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87111

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Tentative Schedule - Final Schedule to be published no later than October 5.

Morning	• Championships, oldest to youngest • Champ Specials • Figure Teams
Midday	• Graded Competitions: First Feis through Prizewinner • Specials for Beginner 1/2 and Novice/Prizewinner
Afternoon	• Supplementary Preliminary Championships • 2nd Chance Grades: Beginner 2, Novice & Prizewinner

Entry Fees:

Light-Shoe solos	\$30	flat fee	2nd Chance Light-Shoe (Reel & Slip Jig)	\$25	flat fee
Hard-Shoe solos	\$30	flat fee	2nd Chance Hard-Shoe (Dbl Jig & HP)	\$25	flat fee
Figure Teams	\$10	flat fee			
Preliminary & Adult Championship	\$50	2 rounds	Late-Entry Fee (after 9/25)	\$30	
Open & Advanced Adult Champ	\$75	3 rounds	Late-Entry Fee (after 10/5)	\$60	
Specials	\$10		FeisWorx Service Fee	\$14	per family
Event Fee (including results)	\$20	per family	Family Maximum*	\$200	

* Specials, Supplementary Prelims, 2nd Chance Grades, Event Fee, Late Fee, and FeisWorx Service Fee are not included in Family Max.

Mail entries to:

Balloon Fiesta Feis

c/o FeisWorx

P.O. Box 2046

Parker, CO 80134-1411

Entry Deadline:

Entry fees must be postmarked by **Sept. 25, 2026**

Online Registration:

• Enter online at www.feisworx.com.

Please make checks payable to McTeggart

Championship Requirements:

<u>Open & Advanced Adult Championships</u>	<u>Preliminary & Adult Championships</u>
• Reel (48 bars) or Slip Jig (40 bars)	• Reel (48 bars) or Slip Jig (40 bars)
• Double Jig (48 bars) or Hornpipe (40 bars)	• Double Jig (48 bars) or Hornpipe (40 bars)
• Set Dance (Traditional Set Required in U9)	

WESTERN US REGION LEVEL ADVANCEMENT AND DEFINITION

- **First Feis** is not per dance, it is the first Feis ever for the dancer. A dancer has 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.
- In **Beginner 1, Beginner 2 and Novice** the following will apply:
 - 5 - 9 dancers 1st place will advance to the next grade
 - 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:** Must have 3 overall wins with 5 or more dancers, 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 have been out of conventional competitions for 5 years.
- **Beginner Figures:** Open only to dancers entered in First Feis, Beginner 1 or Beginner 2 for at least one solo dance.
- **Open Figures:** Open to all grades levels.

DANCING COMPETITION RULES

1. Competitor's age will be determined as of January 1, 2026.
2. Dancers must be pupils of a certified teacher registered with CLRG, IDTANA and their regional council.
3. Dancers who appear in competitions for which they are not registered will not be eligible for placement or awards.
4. When awards are announced, competitors must be in costume, including dance shoes, to receive their awards.
5. The McTeggart Irish Dancers of New Mexico, the Feis Committee and anyone associated with the Committee in 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 this 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 this feis.

Registered with An Coimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha and the Western US Regional Council

GRADED SOLO COMPETITIONS

First Feis	U7	U9	U11	11/O
Reel	3	5	7	8
Light Jig	17	19	21	22

Beginner I	U7	U9	U11	11/O
Reel	103	105	107	108
Light Jig	117	119	121	122
Slip Jig	131	133	135	136
Single Jig	145	147	149	150
Double Jig	159	161	163	164
Hornpipe	173	175	177	178
St. Patrick's	187	189	191	192

Beginner II	U7	U9	U11	11/O
Reel	203	205	207	208
Light Jig	217	219	221	222
Slip Jig	231	233	235	236
Single Jig	245	247	249	250
Double Jig	259	261	263	264
Hornpipe	273	275	277	278
St. Patrick's	287	289	291	292

Novice		U9	U11		U13	13/O
Reel		305	307		309	310
Light Jig		319	321		323	324
Slip Jig		333	335		337	338
Single Jig		347	349		351	352
Double Jig		361	363		365	366
Hornpipe		375	377		379	380
Traditional Set		389	391		393	394

Prizewinner		U9	U11		U13		U15	15/O
Reel		405	407		409		411	412
Light Jig		419	421		423		425	426
Slip Jig		433	435		437		439	440
Single Jig		447	449		451		453	454
Double Jig		461	463		465		467	468
Hornpipe		475	477		479		481	482
Traditional Set		489	491		493		495	496

2ND CHANCE GRADED SOLO COMPETITIONS

Beginner II	U7	U9	U11	11/O				
Reel	203S	205S	207S	208S				
Slip Jig	231S	233S	235S	236S				
Double Jig	259S	261S	263S	264S				
Hornpipe	273S	275S	277S	278S				
Novice		U9	U11		U13	13/O		
Reel		305S	307S		309S	310S		
Slip Jig		333S	335S		337S	338S		
Double Jig		361S	363S		365S	366S		
Hornpipe		375S	377S		379S	380S		
Prizewinner		U9	U11		U13		U15	15/O
Reel		405S	407S		409S		411S	412S
Slip Jig		433S	435S		437S		439S	440S
Double Jig		461S	463S		465S		467S	468S
Hornpipe		475S	477S		479S		481S	482S

FIGURE DANCE COMPETITIONS

Beginner Figure	<u>U8</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>12/O</u>	
2-Hand Reel	801	803	805	806	
2-Hand Jig	812	814	816	817	
3-Hand Reel	823	825	827	828	

• Confined to those entered in a Beginner solo dance.

Open Figure	<u>U8</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>U15</u>	<u>15/O</u>
2-Hand Reel	834	836	838	841	842
3-Hand Reel	845	847	849	852	853
4-Hand Dance (book)*	856	858	860	863	864
6-Hand Dance (book)*		869	871	874	875
8-Hand Dance (book)*	878	880	882	885	886

* Must be taken from *Ár Rínce Céilí*

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Preliminary Championship	<u>U9</u>	<u>U11</u>	<u>U13</u>	<u>U15</u>	<u>U17</u>	<u>17/O</u>
	704	706	708	710	712	713

Requirements: Reel (48 bars) or Slip Jig (40 bars), Double Jig (48 bars) or Hornpipe (40 bars).

Open Championship	<u>U9</u>	<u>U11</u>	<u>U13</u>	<u>U15</u>	<u>U17</u>	<u>17/O</u>
	724	726	728	730	732	733

Requirements: Reel (48 bars) or Slip Jig (40 bars), Double Jig (48 bars) or Hornpipe (40 bars), Set Dance (Traditional Set Dance required in U9).

Supplementary Prelims	<u>U9</u>	<u>U11</u>	<u>U13</u>	<u>U15</u>	<u>U17</u>	<u>17/O</u>
	704S	706S	708S	710S	712S	713S

Requirements: Reel (48 bars) or Slip Jig (40 bars), Double Jig (48 bars) or Hornpipe (40 bars).

SILLY SUNGLASSES REEL SPECIALS

Wear your most stylish or outrageous eyewear!

Beginner 1/2 Reel	<u>U9</u>	<u>9/O</u>
	501	502

Requirement: One light-shoe Reel step, right & left foot, 16 bars

Novice/Prizewinner Reel	<u>U11</u>	<u>11/O</u>
	511	512

Requirement: One light-shoe Reel step, right & left foot, 16 bars

COSTUME DESIGN SPECIALS

Any Age	<u>Dress</u>	<u>Jacket or Vest</u>
	570	571

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CHAMPIONSHIP SET SPECIALS

Prelim Set Dance	<u>U13</u>	<u>13/O</u>
	531	532

Confined to dancers entered in Preliminary Championship

Traditional Set Dance	<u>U11</u>	<u>U15</u>	<u>15/O</u>
	541	542	543

Open to any dancer entered in a Championship competition.

Adult Grades, Championships, Figure Teams & Specials

ADULT GRADED COMPETITIONS & FIGURES

	Beginner	Novice	Prizewinner	Adult Figure Dance	
Reel	602	603	604	2-Hand	690
Light Jig	616	617	618	3-Hand	691
Slip Jig	630	631	632	4-Hand*	692
Single Jig	644	645	646	6-Hand*	693
Double Jig		659	660	8-Hand*	694
Hornpipe		673	674	* Must be taken from <i>Ár Rínce Céilí</i>	
Traditional Set		687	688		

Adult Championship	698		
<i>Requirements: Reel (48 bars) or Slip Jig (40 bars), Double Jig (48 bars) or Hornpipe (40 bars).</i>			
Advanced Adult Championship	699		
<i>Requirements: Reel (48 bars) or Slip Jig (40 bars), Double Jig (48 bars) or Hornpipe (40 bars), Set Dance (non-Traditional).</i>			
Adult Champ Traditional Set Dance	544		
<i>Confined to dancers competing in Adult or Advanced Adult Championship.</i>			