

Welcome to the 2025 Bluegrass Feis! All competitions - except June 21 music competitions, please read below - are held at the Lexington Ice Center on Sunday, June 22.

VENUE: Lexington Ice Center, 560 Eureka Springs Drive, Lexington, KY. Conveniently 6 miles from I-75.

LOOK: In keeping with the tradition of our feis, black-out/casual costume is welcomed but not required.

SCHEDULE: The feis begins promptly at 8am. Due to venue capacity, we are staggering entrance times. Please plan to depart soon after your final competition/results. The feis schedule is available on "Feis Info" on <u>www.feisworx.com</u>. *Competitions may begin as early as 30 minutes prior to their scheduled time.*

CAMPING SPACE IS EXTREMELY LIMITED. We ask you to pack lightly and kindly observe the feis schedule with its staggered entrance and exit times.

- NO CAMPING behind any stages!
- Please DO NOT move the chairs, and be courteous make sure chairs are available for those who may need them more than you do.
- Water and sports drinks permitted.
- Please do not bring in outside food. Absolutely no large coolers.
- Please plan to depart shortly after your final competition/results.

PARKING: There is a large surface lot at the Ice Center with ample parking spaces.

ENTRANCE: Enter through the main Ice Center entrance at the front of the building, down the stairs into the lobby. You will turn right immediately after entering the lobby to access the large gymnasium where you'll find Stages 1, 2, and 3. Walk through the large gymnasium to access the small gymnasium with Stage 4.

DANCER NUMBER PICK-UP: 7:30am - 2:00pm either outside the Main Entrance to the Ice Center, or in the Ice Center lobby, prior to entering the gymnasiums.

DAY-OF FEIS REGISTRATION: We will be allowing day-of feis registrations with a \$50 late fee, plus family fee and fees for each competition entered. Payable by cash, check, PayPal, or Venmo. Please be mindful of the schedule and arrive 90 minutes prior to the competition(s) you would like to enter. Report immediately to tabulations to register.

CHANGING YOUR ENTRY: There is a \$25/dancer change fee.

PC/OC/Adult Championship: PC (first chance) will dance softshoe, hardshoe. PC2 (second chance) will dance hardshoe, softshoe. Adult Championship and OC will dance hardshoe, softshoe, set dance. Champ awards will be outside, weather permitting.

CONCESSIONS: The Ice Center has a concession stand which sells drinks, popcorn, hotdogs, candy, nachos, and more.

FOOD TRUCKS: Tom's Coffee Truck will be on site at 8am and will stay as long as there's a coffee line! MirchiMex and Bert's Speakcheezy (grilled cheese) will be on site roughly 10:30am through the lunch rush. Enjoy some delicious food and drinks as you support our local food trucks!

STAGES: Please be aware of the prompts at your stage for check-in for dances and be on time. Due to merged groups, figures, and specials, some dancers may be performing on multiple stages. Please notify the stage monitors upon a timely check-in of a conflict. We are happy to accommodate those stage conflicts, but will not hold competitions for delinquently late check-ins. We realize some age groups have competitions back-to-back. We will hold stages to allow for shoe changes & breathing!

CAKE DANCE SPECIAL: See syllabus for details about this event. Cake Dance will be held on Stage 2 around 11:30AM. The Cake Dance is about celebrating Irish dance in all its forms, so get ready to cheer on the participants! And don't forget your "Will Irish dance for cake!" t-shirt from our t-shirt vendor.

MUSIC COMPETITIONS: All music competitions are being held on Saturday, June 21 at 5pm at the McTeggart Studio, 3519 Lansdowne Drive, Lexington, KY 40517. The competitions will be adjudicated by Justin Bridges and Jeremy Wade, founders of the Kentucky Irish Music Academy and musicians for the Bluegrass Feis. Following the competitions, Justin and Jeremy will host a masterclass on Irish music for all participants.

GRADE AWARDS: Grade awards pick-up will be in the Ice Center lobby ONLY after confirming your results for ALL the dance competitions you were entered in. DO NOT come to the Awards Table to check results. All results are posted on www.Feisworx.com. No printed results will be distributed. Please allow up to 30 minutes after your dancer's final competition to check www.Feisworx.com for all the detailed results prior to picking up any awards your dancer may have won.

PC/OC/Adult Championship AWARDS: PC/OC/Adult Championship awards will be held outside, weather permitting. No printed results will be distributed; you may review adjudicator comments by logging in to your FeisWorx account.

VENDORS: Irish Seams will be our exclusive Irish dance essentials vendor at the Bluegrass Feis. We're happy to have Fine Designs at our feis selling feis t-shirts and other apparel.

QUESTIONS? If there is anything we can assist you with during the Bluegrass Feis, please stop by the Registration Table by the main entrance or ask any "Feis Crew/Volunteer," and we will be happy to help!