

# Help Save the Planet Black Out Feis

Proudly hosted by  
The Michael Dillon School of Irish Dance

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United Irish Cultural Center  
2700 45<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94116

Friday Evening September 17<sup>th</sup> and Saturday September 18, 2021

### Tentative Days Schedule

Friday, starting at 5pm - Preliminary Champions

Saturday, starting at 8am – First Feis, All Grades, Prelim & Open Champion and Adult Competitions

### Adjudicators

Moira McMahon- ADCRG, Buffalo, NY

Maire Clerkin- ADCRG, Los Angeles, CA

TBA

### Musician

Eamonn Flynn, San Francisco, CA

Online entries at [www.feisworx.com](http://www.feisworx.com) Entry deadline: August 31, 2021

All entries must be accompanied by appropriate fees

Help Save the Planet Black Out Feis is registered with the Western US Region, Irish Dance Teachers' Association of North America and An Coimisiun Le Rincí Gaelacha

Help Save the Planet Black Out Feis and any organization affiliated with the same, including, but not limited to the Michael Dillon School of Irish Dance, and United Irish Cultural Center will not be held responsible or liable for personal injury, illness, property loss and/or damage. By entering this feis, the entrant and/or the entrant's parent or legal guardian agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Help Save the Planet Black Out Feis, the Feis Committee, Feis Volunteers, Vendors, United Irish Cultural Center, and the Michael Dillon School of Irish Dance for any liabilities, personal injury, or illness because of participation in the Help Save the Planet Feis.

## Reasoning

As the name of the Feis implies we all need to do our part to "Help Save the Planet." While our Feis is not going to alter the course of global warming or dramatically reduce the amount of waste entering our landfills and oceans, we as a group can take small steps to lessen our impact locally. In an effort to do our part, we have decided to make the feis a reduce waste challenge. No wigs/hair pieces, taping of shoes or tanner permitted. Why no wigs/hair pieces or tanner? The chemicals used in the manufacture of these products are known pollutants and the vast majority of the wigs/hair pieces are synthetic fibers which can't be recycled. Also, wigs/hair pieces require chemical hairspray to keep wispies under control for pouffs and color sprays for color matching all generate aerosol pollutants. No taping because of the yards of plastic tape that are used at each feis is appalling. We have all seen the tape balls littering the floors of venues or tossed balls of it removed from dance shoes at home. We are also asking all attendees to refrain from single use water bottles.

## Questions and Answers

- **What is Black Out Costume?**
  - Black Out costume means all dancers wear black instead of school or solo costumes.
  - No school or brand logos should be visible on any garment.
  
- **What should my dancer wear?**
  - **Girls 13 and under:** black skirt/skort, black long sleeve shirt or leotard and poodle socks.
  - **Girls 14 and over:** black skirt/skort, black long sleeve shirt or leotard and black opaque tights.\*
  - **Boys all ages:** black pants, black long sleeve shirt and black socks.
  
- **What about my dancer's hair?**
  - **Girls:** pulled back off the face in a pony tail, bun or half up.
  - **Boys:** combed neatly

\*Reminder per CLRG rules when competing in Black Out Costume all dancers 14 and older must wear opaque black tights, NOT poodle socks, failure to follow this rule will result in disqualification.

## Help Save the Planet Black Out Feis Syllabus

All regions in North America will follow this common set of speeds for all grade competitions at feiseanna in North America: (6/2016-effective Jan 1, 2017)

Level/Dance	First	Beg. I	Beg. II	Nov.	PW
Reel	122	122	122	113	113
Light Jig	115	115	115	115	115
Slip Jig	122	122	122	113	113
Single Jig	124	124	124	124	124
Treble Jig			92	73/92	73/92
Hornpipe			138	113/138	113/138

## COMPETITION NUMBERING SYSTEM

The following are the agreed ranges to be used for numbering competitions in your Regional Syllabi:

First Feis 001-099

Beginner 1 100-199

Beginner 2 200-299

Novice 300-399

Prizewinner 400-499

Adults 600-699

Championships 700-799

## FEIS ENTRY FEES

Open Championship 2 rounds \$40.00

Preliminary Championship 2 rounds \$40.00

Friday Preliminary Championship 2 rounds \$40.00

Solos, flat fee light shoe \$20.00

Solos, flat fee hard shoe \$15.00

Family Admission Fee \$35.00 Late Fee \$25.00 (per dancer, paid after the late date)

FeisWorx Service Fee (per dancer) \$11.50

Family Max \$200 (excludes family, late, Friday Prelim and service fees)

Payment Information: Credit Card Payments are accepted online [www.feisworx.com](http://www.feisworx.com)

Checks To Be Payable To: D. Magh Adhair

There is a cap of 200 paid entries. If your registration is unpaid at the time that cap is reached, your registration will be dropped. NO REFUNDS AFTER PAYMENTS ARE PROCESSED. NO EXCEPTIONS

## LEVEL ADVANCEMENT AND DEFINITION

**First Feis:** It is not per dance; it is the first Feis ever for the dancer. 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 B1, B2 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

**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 competitions for 5 years

## COMPETITIONS:

Please note, all dancers will dance one at time.

### Grades

All Grades Levels will dance 16 bars of each dance. Full dance will be done for St. Patrick's Day and Traditional Set. Please note competitions with low entry numbers may be further combined.

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

Beg 1	U7	U9	U11	11&O	Beg II	U7	U9	U11	11&O
Reel	101	108	115	122	Reel	201	208	215	222
Light Jig	102	109	116	123	Light Jig	202	209	216	223
Slip Jig	103	110	117	124	Slip Jig	203	210	217	224
Single Jig	104	111	118	125	Single Jig	204	211	218	225
Treble Jig	105	112	119	126	Treble Jig	205	212	219	226
Hornpipe	106	113	120	127	Hornpipe	206	213	220	227
St. Patrick's Day	107	114	121	128	St. Patrick's Day	207	214	221	228

Nov.	U9	U11	U12	U13	13&O	PW	U9	U11	U12	U13	13&O
Reel	315	322	329	336	343	Reel	415	422	429	436	443
Light Jig	316	323	330	337	344	Light Jig	416	423	430	437	444
Slip Jig	317	324	331	338	345	Slip Jig	417	424	431	438	445
Single Jig	318	325	332	339	346	Single Jig	418	425	432	439	446
Treble Jig	319	326	333	340	347	Treble Jig	419	426	433	440	447
Hornpipe	320	327	334	341	348	Hornpipe	420	427	434	441	448
Trad. Set	321	328	335	342	349	Trad. Set	421	428	435	442	449

