



# McKEEVER SCHOOL OF IRISH DANCE NEWSLETTER MAY-JUNE 2016

## May the Performances Be with You!

We had three performances during the month of May! Our first one taking place on May 7<sup>th</sup> in Davis at the *Whole Earth Festival*. This was our first time performing at this well known event and luckily the rain just missed our time on stage! A few snags with the music did not set back our dancers, and we also congratulate dancer Sophia T. age 4 on her first Irish Dance Performance!

On May 14<sup>th</sup> we performed in Woodland, alongside dancers from *Mirror Image Dance Company* and *Momentum Dance and Fitness* during their end of season performance. Our dancers rocked their new black and green costumes and the show was fantastic. The event raised money for a non-profit organization here in Sacramento called Women's Empowerment.

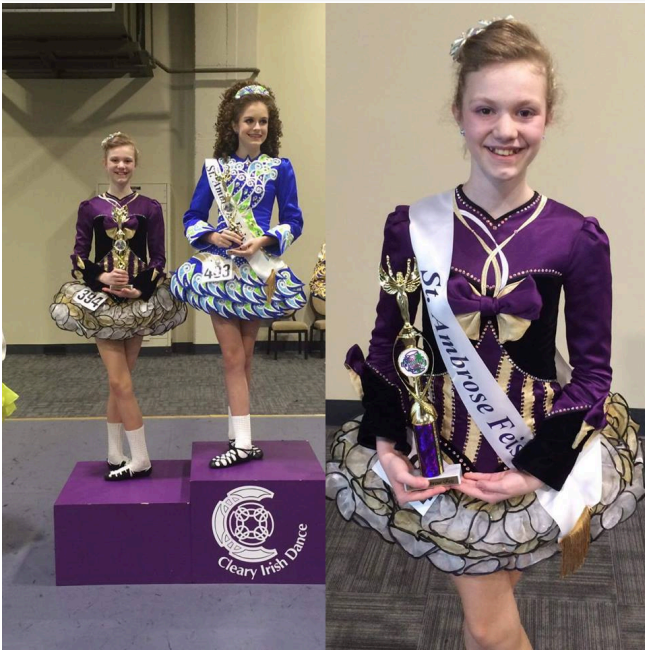
Our last performance took place May 21<sup>st</sup> at the SactoMoFo Fest in Discovery Park. This was a fun event with over 17 dancers involved. The best part was seeing the families and friends head off to enjoy all the wonderful food that was being sold there at the event. Thanks to all who participated!





# Dancers Compete Up and Down the West Coast!

Many of our students are moving in the right direction toward becoming Champion level dancers. Kiki, Emma, and Cecilia all travelled far and wide to compete this past month. Kiki went down to Anaheim to compete in the Saint Ambrose Feis and came away with two podium wins! Dancers Emma and Cecilia went North to Seattle and also represented their school with pride, both achieving a top three placement in one of their dances, and Emma placing first in her last Novice level dance.



## SUMMER 2016 MCKEEVER GEAR

Checks Made out to Nicole McKeever

**Due on June 9!!!**

If you are ordering an Extra Large Size please add \$1 per extra large size, for instance add \$4 for a 4XL. The manufacturer charges this.

### McKeever Sports Bag with Logo



\$30.00

Made with 600 Denier Polyester  
Front pocket and side zippered pocket  
Separate pouch for pool or gym  
Adjustable, detachable padded shoulder strap  
Dimensions: 10.75"H x 20.75"W x 9.5"D; Approx. 2,119 cubic inches

### Black Performance Tank

In Juniors Sizes or

### Black Performance Shirt

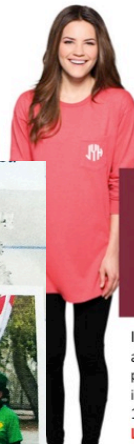
in Men's/Ladies/Youth Sizes

\$15



### Merlot Long Sleeve Cotton Shirt with White Logo on Back

\$18



Item will be in Merlot color shown above with White Logo on back. Small pocket on front but no logo like in sample image  
100% Pigment Dyed Ring Spun Cotton  
**Ladies Sizes S-4XL**



100% Cotton  
**Men's Sizes S-4XL**  
**Ladies XS - 4XL**  
**Youth Sizes XS-XL**

Kenny School, Weston, MA Patrick's Day season!

McKeever School of Irish Dance, Sacramento, CA, USA



McKeever School of Irish Dance gets ready for the parade in Sacramento, CA, USA

Thanks Bri McKinley for sending Irish Dancing Magazine this awesome picture of the St. Patrick's Parade which was featured in this month's issue!

# Mark your Calendars for the Following Events in June!

**BALLET TECHNIQUE WORKSHOP - On Saturday June 24<sup>th</sup>** we will have dancer Hunter Finnegan from the Sacramento Ballet, who also has a background in competitive Irish Dance, come to the studio for a two hour workshop. Hunter can analyze our dancers and teach them some helpful ways to increase turnout, flexibility and strengthen their posture and point.

**LUCKY SEVEN'S, SILLICON VALLEY FEIS!!!** One of the last local competitions until the Fall will take place in San Jose, **June 11-12<sup>th</sup>**. Please don't miss the registration deadline. For the syllabus and more information go to [Feisinfo.com](http://Feisinfo.com)

## Improve Your Basic Irish Dance Technique

Workshop with Sacramento Ballet Dancer,  
Hunter Finnegan



Saturday  
June 25<sup>th</sup>  
12noon- 2pm  
Cost \$30

Hunter Finnegan was born in Can Tho, Vietnam but raised in Orlando, FL. He took gymnastics until the age of 9 in which then he started up dancing. He has done many forms of dance such as jazz, tap, ballet, lyrical and modern. Even Irish Step Dancing for 6 years. He has traveled to places such as Pittsburgh, PA, Tulsa, OK, and now Sacramento, CA to train in a ballet school or professionally dance in a company.



**LET THE SUMMER FUN BEGIN!**  
**COME SEE THE**  
**McKEEVER SCHOOL OF IRISH DANCE**  
**AT THE**  
**CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR**  
**FRIDAY JULY 22, 4PM ON THE**  
**PROMENADE STAGE**



This month has brought us many new students, a few coming to us from other schools and a few new to Irish Dance altogether! The McKeever School of Irish Dance is happy to have you all, and we wish you many years of happy dancing as a McKeever Dancer!



# Dancer trains for North American Championships

Dancer Moriah P. Will travel to Orlando, Florida at the start of July to compete in the 2016 North American Championships. This will be her first time as a McKeever School of Irish Dance student competing at this prestigious event. Her teacher Nicole will also travel to Orlando to watch the competition. To dance at this high standard requires a lot of dedication not only in class but outside of class and we commend Moriah for not only being a star dancer but a star college student! Keep up the good work and hopefully many of your classmates can follow in your footsteps and attend next years competition!



June 2016

Please Note the class dates on the June Calendar

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Classes in Session	2 Classes in Session	3 Classes in Session	4
5	6 Classes in Session	7 Classes in Session	8 Classes covered by Natalie BUT NO TINY TOT CLASS	9 Classes Covered by Natalie	10	11 FEIS
12 No Private Lessons	13 No Classes	14 No Classes	15 No Classes	16 Classes in Session	17	18 Privates Back open starting this date
19 Private Lessons Available	20 Classes resume	21 Classes in Session	22 Classes in Session	23 Classes in Session	24	25 Sac Ballet Workshop
26 Private Lessons Available	27 Classes in Session	28 Classes in Session	29 Classes in Session	30 Classes in Session		