



McKEEVER SCHOOL OF IRISH DANCE NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2016

McKeever Represents at the Western Regional Championships

The top Irish dancers in the Western United States gathered together in San Francisco this past month to compete for top spots in the region in the hopes of qualifying for the World Championships in Dublin 2017. We had 19 dancers compete in both the Traditional Set competition and the Championships. Some competitions were as large as 130 dancers or more. Every single dancer did an amazing job. For many of our Traditional Set and Preliminary Championship dancers this was their first time at an Oireachtas (Or-Rock-tas). Congrats to dancers in the Traditional Set competition, Sherry Toutges 19th, Eva Sedillo 16th, Emma Schmitt 15th, Kathryn Kennedy 11th, Megan Lehmkuhl 10th, Ana Palacio 9th, Sarah Baker 6th. To our Champions Morgan Martin 25th, Moriah Payne 7th and Dominic Martin 2nd place in Senior Men's and who came out of retirement to win a World qualifying placement. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication, its not easy to get up there but you did!



Performances this December!

We have a few performances this month! Check them out if you can and thank you to all the dancers who have volunteered to perform!

We are excited to perform with the Sacramento Gay Men's Chorus in their "Holiday In... A Destination Celebration"! Its going to be a celebration of cultures and of the Holiday Season!

Show Dates:

December 2 - 8:00PM

December 3 - 8:00PM

December 4 - 3:00PM

December 6 - 8:00PM

Tickets:

General Admission \$25

VIP \$40 (includes reception)

Location - First United Methodist Church on J Street and 21st

Saturday, December 17, 2016 6pm – Some Day at Christmas at the Unity of Sacramento Church 9249 Folsom Blvd. Admission \$35 Children \$20
One of the owners from Step One Dance and Fitness organizes this multicultural celebration of music and dance, and Miss McKeever will be representing Ireland and Irish Americans by doing a jig 😊

December 20th at Noon – Performance for the Rotary Club at their Daughter's Day Luncheon.

UNITY OF SACRAMENTO PRESENTS
Saturday, December 17, 2016 at 6 p.m.

SOME DAY AT CHRISTMAS

A Musical Concert Celebrating the Season through Cultural Diversity and Community Healing



SPECIAL GUEST
Rashaad Carlton
(The new prince of Soul)

Tickets
VIP \$50 (reception at 5 p.m.)
General Admission \$35
Children 9 - 17 \$20
Children 8 and under Free!

Unity of Sacramento, 9249 Folsom Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95826
916-368-3950
unityofsacramento.com

NO CLASSES
December 22nd – January 3rd
Enjoy the time off and the Holiday Season!!
Interested in Competing?
Ask Miss McKeever about the Kennelly Feis in Sacramento this January!!

The Sacramento Gay Men's Chorus Presents ✈️

HOLIDAY IN...

A Destination Celebration

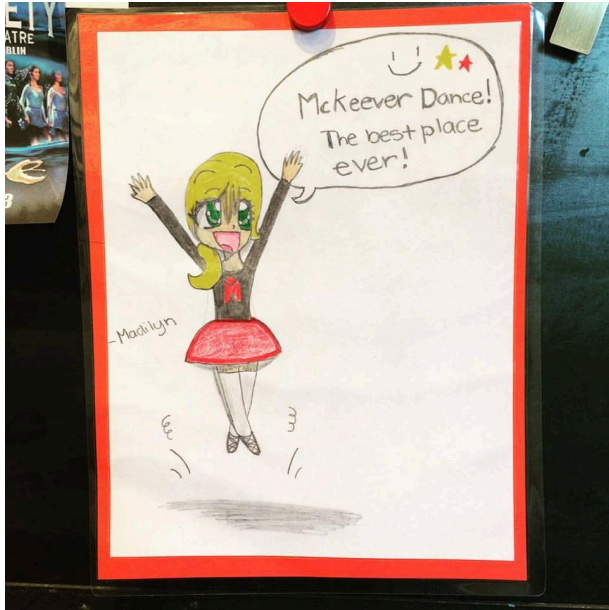


DECEMBER
2ND 3RD 4TH 6TH
8PM 8PM 3PM 8PM

Tickets and More Info at:
SACGAYMENSCHORUS.ORG

Book Your Journey Today!

Student Spotlight



Many of our students share their artistic talents with us and its nice to highlight their work! Thanks to Madilyn in our beginner class who made the cute drawing we have up on our studio board.

Also champion dancer Morgan M. who made this incredible hand painted McKeever logo mug. Thanks so much girls!

Below is a cute picture of dancer Ava meeting the cast of *An Irish Christmas*! Hope you were inspired by their dancing!



Don't Let the Christmas Break Set You Back!

Over the well needed break dancers should rest and enjoy time with family and friends. However there is a balance between rest and letting yourself lose all your technique and fitness. To help dancers maintain their ability and be prepared for the competition in January (The Kennelly Feis in Sacramento) I will be sending out a practice sheet that dancers can fill out over the break. If they hand it in when we resume classes they will get a treat and their name will be put in the hat for larger raffle prizes. Please keep your fitness up during the break to avoid injury and if you are a younger dancer keep those dances in your memory!