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Teelin Classes in Millersville
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Millersville, MD 21108

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Megan Rich Physical Therapy
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SCHOOL OF IRISH DANCE

SPECIAL EDITION: 2009 TEELIN SPRING SHOW

This newsletter contains *almost* everything that you need to know about the Teelin Spring Show on April 4, 2009. Visit www.teelin.com for anything missing, or possible further updates.

The Spring Show is an opportunity to showcase dances from each of the classes at Teelin School of Irish Dance and some dances from Teelin Irish Dance Company. There will be two shows (on the same day), and each class is scheduled to perform in ONE of the shows.

TICKET INFORMATION

Tickets are on sale in studios until March 12, and online until April 2. If the shows are not sold out, tickets will also be available from the Box Office on the day of the show. Seating is general admission, \$15 Adults, \$10 Children 10&Under or Teelin Students, and \$25 for adults attending **both** shows (1pm & 5:30pm). Any student planning to watch part of the show from the audience must purchase a student ticket for \$10. All seats require tickets.

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 2 - Ticket sales begin online and in studios. (Tickets for sale in studios **until March 12 only**.)

March 23-26 - **Costume Check** during all regularly scheduled classes. Dancers should come to class in their Spring Show costume, and may bring a change of clothes for afterward.

Friday, March 27 - **Dancing Dads Rehearsal** 6:30-7:30pm at the Teelin studio in Columbia. (See the website, www.teelin.com, for more info and the step notation. Try it, Dads, you will LOVE it!!)

Friday, April 3 - **Dress Rehearsal** and **Class Photos** at the Jim Rouse Theatre (Please note that the dress rehearsal is at the theater this year, NOT at the Teelin studio as it has been in the past.)

Saturday, April 4 - **Teelin Spring Show** at the Jim Rouse Theatre, 1:00pm & 5:30pm (Dancers must arrive one hour earlier.)

April 6-17 - Teelin Spring Break (no classes unless make-ups have been scheduled)

DRESS REHEARSAL - Friday, April 3 at Jim Rouse Theatre

Dress Rehearsal for dancers in the 1:00pm Show

Dancers in Act I arrive at 3:30pm on Friday and be ready to dance by 4:00pm

Dancers in Act II arrive no later than 5:00pm on Friday

Dress Rehearsal for dancers in the 5:30pm Show

Dancers in Act I arrive by 6:30pm on Friday

Dancers in Act II arrive no later than 7:30pm on Friday

Note: Teelin Irish Dance Company pieces will NOT be run at the dress rehearsal on Friday. All company dances will be run on Saturday morning, 9am-12noon.

The main doors to the theatre will not be opened on the day of the dress rehearsal. Dancers are directed to enter through the side stage door. Students are to arrive already dressed in their costume with hair done. Dancers are encouraged to look their age, so please no heavy make up!

CLASS PORTRAITS

Class and individual pictures will be taken by Donner Photography during the Dress Rehearsal at Jim Rouse Theatre. The photographers will set up in a room backstage.

Depending on the schedule, class pictures may be taken before or after they practice on stage. It is important that all dancers stay with their class and are in costume! All students will pose for a class picture, and then dancers have the option of posing individually, or with siblings or friends. Proofs will be mailed with the option to buy; nothing is prepaid.

A few volunteers are needed from 4-6:30 and 6:30-9pm on Friday to help in the picture room during dress rehearsal. If you can help please email eileen@teelin.com.

SPRING SHOW DVD

Each performance of the 2009 Spring Show will be videotaped by Tonal Vision (same company as last year). A DVD Order Form is available in studios and on the website. DVD's may be ordered for \$20 each (plus shipping), or for the special rate of \$35 for both shows (plus shipping).

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Questions, comments? Want to submit a story? Send an email to info@teelin.com.

Dance Studio Reminders:

Please arrive for class on time, dressed appropriately.

Bring a water bottle (or purchase one for \$1 from the lobby at Columbia studio).

No chewing gum.

No sitting during class. If you're on the floor, you should be stretching!

No hanging on the barre.

No long or baggy pants. Teachers must be able to see your knees.

Please respect the studio space.

Collect all belongings, remove litter, use recycling bins where available.

Inclement Weather/ Emergencies:

If weather is questionable, please call 443-629-7808 to hear the school message. Notice will also be posted on the website ASAP. **We will not always follow the public school closures.**

Make-up classes for any closures will be scheduled as necessary.

Absence:

If you miss a class, you may attend another class at the same level (or a level below) within one week of your return. Please notify the instructor in advance.

Stay Informed!

1. Keep us updated with your current email address. Send changes to info@teelin.com.
2. Visit www.teelin.com often for news and updates.
3. Read and use the Teelin School Message Board!

Dancers, are you addicted to the joy of Irish Dance?! You may want to consider one or both of these opportunities...

DANCE COMPETITIONS

A **feis** (pronounced "fesh") is an Irish dance competition. Competing is a great way to focus on improving your technique. Learn more on the website at www.teelin.com...

PERFORMANCE COMPANY

Love to perform? Keep practicing!! And then consider auditioning for the **Teelin Irish Dance Company!** Learn more at www.teelin.com...



**Dance, dance,
wherever you may be!**

BACKSTAGE AND THEATER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

A parent volunteer from each Beginner through Level 3 Teelin class is needed to assist backstage. Please talk with your child's instructor to volunteer. The job entails coming to the Dress Rehearsal on Friday, and staying backstage for the show on Saturday. This person does NOT need to purchase a ticket. They WILL be able to see their child's dance performance either from the side stage or by going into the audience.

The backstage volunteer needs to keep the class together, line them up for pictures on Friday, help young dancers with costume & shoe issues, line them up to go on stage, and make sure that their parent/guardian picks them up when finished.

Additional volunteers are needed to assist with other aspects of the Spring Show. Please consider helping, and send email to eileen@teelin.com if interested. Thank you!!!

DAY OF THE SHOW - Saturday, April 4 at Jim Rouse Theatre

1:00pm Show - Dancers should arrive by 12noon; house doors also open at 12 noon.

5:30pm Show - Dancers should arrive by 4:30pm; house doors also open at 4:30pm.

All Teelin Irish Dance Company members are to arrive by 9am and will rehearse until noon.

Food and beverages may be consumed ONLY on "Main Street" (the hallway by the cafeteria). NO food or drinks are allowed backstage. Teelin will provide water for dancers in one section backstage where water is permitted. Dancers who will be at the theatre for both shows may bring a light meal packed in a bag separate from their dance gear and clearly marked with their name. Upon arrival, bring that bag to the designated tables in "Main Street".

Each show will be approximately 2 hours long in total, including a 20-minute intermission.

Dancers are encouraged to bring a book and/or activity for backstage down time.

During intermission flowers (an arrangement of carnations and baby's breath for \$5) and refreshments will be available for sale in the lobby. Anyone willing to donate individually wrapped snacks for the bake sale, please email eileen@teelin.com and then bring your individually wrapped items to drop them off at the bake sale table before your show begins.

As always, if you have any further questions please don't hesitate to ask!

MASTER CLASSES FOR TEELIN STUDENTS

Michael Pat Gallagher will be teaching at the Teelin studio in Columbia on **Saturday, March 28 & Sunday, March 29**. Students of ALL LEVELS are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity. Appropriate skill levels for each class are listed on the registration form.

Michael Pat is a master Irish dancer, instructor and performer. He has won several World Championship titles and danced the lead role in Riverdance. Don't miss this chance to train with Michael Pat Gallagher! Registration forms available from www.teelin.com.

THINGS TO DO... PLACES TO GO... PEOPLE TO SEE...

Check www.teelin.com for updated information and the performance schedule for **Teelin Irish Dance Company**.

3/1/09 – Portraits of Ireland 3:00pm show at Towson University's Stephens Hall Theatre

3/14/09 – Portraits of Ireland 3:00pm show at Weinberg Center for the Arts in Frederick

3/15/09 – Baltimore St. Patrick's Day Parade, followed by Teelin Party at Lucy's Pub!

3/17/09 – Happy St. Patrick's Day! (No classes in Columbia, nor the Competition class in Millersville)

3/23-26/09 – Costume Check during all regularly scheduled classes

3/27/09 – Dancing Dads Rehearsal 6:30-7:30pm at the Teelin studio in Columbia

3/28&29/09 – Master Classes for Teelin students with Michael Pat Gallagher – please visit the website for the registration form, or send any questions to info@teelin.com.

4/3/09 – Dress Rehearsals & Photos at Jim Rouse Theater in Columbia, MD

4/4/09 – Teelin Spring Show at Jim Rouse Theater in Columbia, MD – 1:00pm & 5:30pm

4/5-12/09 – Irish Dance World Championships in Philadelphia (first time in North America!)

4/6-17/09 – TEELIN SPRING BREAK - no classes (unless make-ups are scheduled)

5/16/09 – Teelin Irish Dance Festival (rain date 5/17/09)

5/25/09 – Memorial Day - no classes

6/4/09 – Last day of classes for the Teelin school year