



Lynn Academy of Irish Dance



New Beginners – Advanced Beginners

New Rochelle | Tarrytown

Registration Accepted ALL YEAR Long

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For information on Novice - Championship levels visit website.

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Welcome to Our School

Dear Families!

We would like to welcome you to the Lynn Academy of Irish dance. We are most proud of our school and dancers as we enter our 8th year as an official Irish dance academy. We are thrilled to know that you will be joining our school for the 2009-10 year. For our new and returning students we look forward to teaching you new dances and providing you with the opportunity to perform at various venues and at several feisiannas.

Please take time to read through this brochure as it contains pertinent information about the classes that are being offered this year as well as important events that happen during the school year. This is the only way you can make sure you do not miss any events.

We want to welcome several new teachers and classes to our repertoire this year. We believe the diversity of classes & teachers will enhance the dancer’s Irish experience.

Also please take the time to visit the following websites:
<http://www.lynnacademy.com> - our website will keep you updated of events happening in our school.
www.northamericanfeis.org - listing of all of the registered feises for the year.

Here’s to another successful year!

Maureen Collins
Mary Lynn Collins
Samantha Kent
Monica Kaul

Tuition Costs

Class Level	Per Semester	Per Year
Beginner 1&2	\$200.00	-----
Advanced Beginner	\$250.00	\$650.00
ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEE (ALL)		\$30.00

TUITION REQUIREMENTS

- ▶ Families can decide to pay a Yearly Tuition fee or pay by semester.
- ▶ There are THREE semesters -Fall, Winter, Spring
- ▶ Tuition is DUE September 14-20, December 1-4, March 1
- ▶ \$30.00 registration fee per family/per new year.
- ▶ Multi-family discounts are given.
- ▶ Payment is due the first day of each NEW semester. Invoices will be distributed the first semester. Email reminders will be distributed prior to date due. **NO ADDITIONAL INVOICES WILL BE MAILED OUT AFTER 1st SEMESTER.**
- ▶ Late fee of \$20.00 per month will be applied if tuition is not received by the due date.
- ▶ Cancellation Policy -Refunds of the session or yearly tuition will only be made during the first 2 weeks of SEMESTER I.

Levels

Selecting the Class Level

Levels in Irish are chosen by the trained Irish dancing instructors and by the student’s involvement in local feises. Teachers will recommend a level for students but his/her success in the competitions will determine the level as well.

Beginner I & Beginner II

This class is for students that have never taken Irish or who have taken Irish and are getting ready to compete in the first registered feis. This level will concentrate on structured exercises that focus on balance & rhythm. New and returning students will learn the light jig and/or reel and some ceili dances. Returning students may have an opportunity to learn the Slip Jig.

Classes per week: 1

Advanced Beginner

This level will continue to learn more advanced reels & jigs and will be introduced to the slip jig & hard shoe dances - treble jig and hornpipe. Ceili dancing will be taught throughout the classes. This level actively participates in at least TWO feises per year and attends at least TWO performances.

Classes per week: 1

Optional 2nd Class (in either location)

Feis Per Year: 2

Performances: 2

Class Schedule

Day	Location	Class	Time
Tuesday	New Rochelle	Beg 1 & 2	4:45-5:30
Tuesday	New Rochelle	Advanced Beg	5:30-6:15
Friday	Tarrytown	Beg 1 & 2	4:30-5:15
Friday	Tarrytown	Advanced Beg	5:15-6:30

Meet the Instructors

Maureen Collins-Novaco TCRG!

Maureen has earned countless titles and accolades in the world of Irish step dancing. As a former performer on **Riverdance**, Maureen had the opportunity to dance for the Kennedy family at the **Kennedy Arts Center** and in front of standing room only audiences at the **Broadway Gershwin Theater** in Manhattan. Winning several regional and local championships, one of Maureen’s greatest personal achievements was winning the **National Irish step dancing** competition two years in a row. However, her greatest achievements now is watching her students work hard, perform their best and help them achieve their own Irish dancing goals. It is her energy and vision that keeps the Lynn Academy moving forward in the world of Irish step dancing.

Mary Lynn Collins-Callanan works along side Maureen as a support teacher. She manages many of the New York schools and believes her greatest achievement is watching the students take pride in their success.

NEW! Samantha Kent Samantha is a champion Irish dancer & has a plethora of Irish dancing experience as well as business experience.

If you are willing to work hard and enjoy dancing and Irish competition, than the LYNN ACADEMY is your choice!



Locations

Irish Benevolent Society
36 Division Street
New Rochelle, NY
914-420-9742

Students proceed to the hall. There is no waiting area for parents. Street parking is available.

Marymount Athletic Center
Corner of
Marymount Ave. &
Neperan Rd.
Tarrytown, NY
914-420-9742

The dance studio is downstairs. Parent waiting area is downstairs. Parking is available to the left of the building.

Parents & Dancers

New & Beginner parents may watch the *first* class. Parents who would like to observe class need to make an appointment with the instructor of the class.

It is a request of the dancing instructors **that all parents and all dancers do not interrupt classes in session. Please wait OUTSIDE the studio/hall until classes have been dismissed.** If parent has questions or needs to speak to a teacher please contact the lynnbusinessmanager.com

FAQ

NEW! What do I Wear for Class?

All students need to purchase the LYNN ACADEMY Black shorts and blue t-shirt and Irish Gillies (girls & boys) and white poodle socks. Hair needs to be pulled away from the dancers face. T-shirt and shorts (boys & girls) or skort are the ONLY attire required. NO POCKETS OR JEWELRY OR GUM! For clothes visit: www.lynnacademy.com for shoes visit: www.fayshoes.com

How Long Does it Take to Learn Irish Well?

While watching in awe at a dance school performance, a parent may wonder, "How long does it take for my child to learn those amazing steps?" This all depends on the dancer's age, talents, commitment, home practice, etc. Every dancer is different & can progress at his or her own pace.

What Kinds of Events Are Held Throughout The Year?

The dancers have the opportunity to perform throughout the year at festivals, St. Patrick's Day parades in CT & NY, various shows, and for family and friends at our end of the year recital/feis.

Do I need a Costume?

No, the first year dancers only need to wear their black skirt/shorts and a white blouse to dance at shows throughout the year. If dancers compete they will need the LYNN blue skirt for the girls and boys will need black pants, shirt and tie. For dancing in parades, a wind suit will need to be purchased due to possible inclement weather conditions. Most dancers do not purchase a costume until their second or third year of Irish Dancing.

Do I Need To Perform at a local Feis My First Year?

No, the beginner Irish dancers are welcome to take their time, have fun & to see what Irish dancing is all about. An instructor will notify the dancer via e-mail when she thinks that he or she is ready to perform in a Feis. It is suggested that the beginner come to the LYNN Academy Feis and perform in the pre-beginner grade.. Contact our PTA president for additional information about this.