

MULLANE GODLEY IRISH DANCE ACADEMY

2023-2024
STUDIO CLASS
CALENDAR



WELCOME

Thank you for your interest and participation in the **Mullane Godley Irish Dance Academy**.

Now in our 39th year of teaching, we are proud to pass along our love of Irish dancing to your children.

You will observe that Irish dancing has many wonderful qualities that motivate children: from the joy of learning new steps, to performing routines, to winning that first medal, to sharing the fun with new friends.

We look forward to this year, the same as we did when we opened our doors in 1985. Welcome !

FRIENDS

The Mullane Godley Academy instills a sense of family and teamwork between the dancers. Dancers enjoy friendships that last a lifetime – long after the shoes are hung up.



FUN

We love what we do and we share that with our dancers. In turn, they love to dance and enjoy their class and the fun atmosphere provided by the teaching staff. Fun recital numbers are the highlight of each year.



CONFIDENCE

The Academy has always maintained one philosophy - to treat all dancers equally - which in turn instills a sense of confidence and self-esteem in each child whether they are a new beginner starting out or a Champion dancer taking the stage at the World Championships.





MULLANE GODLEY

TEACHING STAFF

For over 35 years, the **Mullane family** has been synonymous with Irish dancing in the Chicago area. First established in 1985, Mike, Mary, Billy, and Peggy, nurtured the Academy into one of the largest and most decorated dancing schools in the Chicago area.

Over the last 3 decades, the Mullane Academy has won 7 World Championship titles, 32 North American Championship titles, and countless Regional titles. The Academy is the only North American dance school to win a world title in every category!

Mary Alice Godley ADCRG and Peggy Godley TCRG run the day-to-day operations of the Academy and both work diligently with solos and teams perfecting dancers for recitals, performances, and competitions.

NEXT GENERATION: The next generation of Mullane's and Godey's are carrying on the tradition. In 2010, **John Godley ADCRG** won the World Championships and he continues to share his dance talent with his students. John has received his CPA accreditation and works for a major accounting firm.

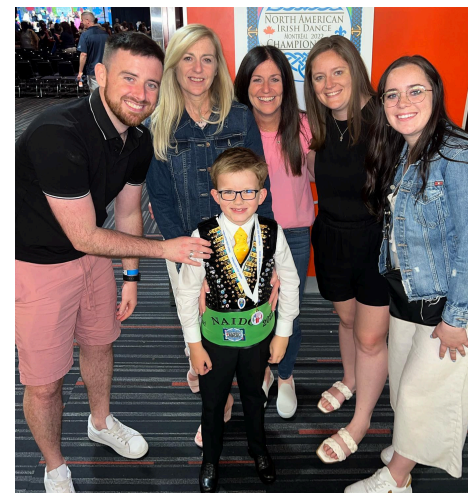
Colleen Mullane TCRG, and Caitlin Mullane TCRG are well-decorated dancers winning medals at the World Championship for solo and ceili dancing. Colleen is a lawyer in Chicago, and Caitlin is an emergency room nurse.

Brendan Mullane, Sinead Godley, and Orla Godley have respectively won multiple major titles. Orla is the only Chicago woman to win the World Championships three times. Brendan has obtained his MBA and works with the local Chicago Teamsters Union. Sinead has her Masters degree in Occupational Therapy and works at a hospital. Orla recently graduated with her bachelor's degree in exercise science and is set to take the stage with Lord of the Dance in Taiwan this coming winter.



BENEFITS OF IRISH DANCING:

- IMPROVED COORDINATION & BALANCE
- INCREASED STAMINA & MUSCLE STRENGTH
- BUILDING MEMORY SKILLS
- CONFIDENCE AND ACCOMPLISHMENT
- TEAMWORK



ACADEMY CLASS STRUCTURE



Each dancer should be comfortable, yet challenged in their class selection. The teaching staff prides themselves on providing personal attention to each dancer at each class. The descriptions below of the 5 levels are general as each dancer is different and therefore an adjustment in class may be necessary. In addition, we encourage dancers to participate as a recreational hobby. As dancers progress, some choose to attend local area dance competitions. That decision is up to each individual dancer and is supported by the teaching staff. Recreational dancers (Level 2, 3, and 4) enjoy all the same instruction and performance opportunities as competitive dancers but attend class just once per week. Always feel free to contact a teacher with any questions.

TOTS New dancers who are three and four years of age. Dancers who master the basic jig and reel will be moved into the Beginner class regardless of age.

LEVEL 1 **Level 1** classes are designed for our Beginner dancers in their first and second year of dance (excluding Tot classes) and typically attend class once a week but are free to attend 2 or more classes for the same price. Dances taught will be the light jig, reel, and single jig.

LEVEL 2/3 **Level 2/3** classes are designed for both our recreational and competitive dancers who have mastered Level 1 (Beginner 1 Feis level). Level 2/3 dancers will continue to learn the advanced light shoe dances of the reel, light jig, and slip jig; in addition to learning hard shoe dances of hompipe and heavy jig. Classes are designed for our first-time Oireachtas soloist dancers, dancers who are preparing to compete in the Oireachtas for traditional set dance.

LEVEL 4 **Level 4** classes are designed for our Oireachtas and National dancers who compete at the Prizewinner level and are working toward moving into Preliminary Championships.

LEVEL 5 **Level 5** classes are designed for dancers who will be competing in Preliminary and Open Championships. Dancers at this level compete at Regional, Nationals, and International competitions.

STUDIO LOCATIONS

**EDISON PARK /PARK
RIDGE/NILES
MULLANE GODLEY STUDIO**

7021 N. MILWAUKEE AVE. NILES, IL 60714

LINCOLN PARK / LAKEVIEW

MENOMONEE CLUB (DANCE STUDIO):
1535 N. DAYTON STREET CHICAGO, IL 60642
HALSTED AND NORTH AVENUE

TUITION FOR 2023-2024

LEVEL	SESSION PAYMENT	
TOTS	4 payments @ \$180 each	*
LEVEL 1	4 payments @ \$220 each	*
LEVEL 2/3	4 payments @ \$300 each	*
LEVEL 4, 5	4 payments @ \$365 each	*
RECREATIONAL (LEVEL 2, 3, 4)	4 payments @ \$275 each	
REGISTRATION FEE:		\$60 per family

* As part of the session fee a dancer can attend up to 3 classes a week at their level.

The Academy has moved to an electronic billing system. A credit or debit card will be charged at the start of each session. To prevent unnecessary billing, please provide at least a weeks notice in the event a dancer won't be attending a session.

1 class per week

Payment Schedule:

- **Payment 1:** 3rd week of September
- **Payment 2:** 1st week of November
- **Payment 3:** 1st week of January
- **Payment 4:** 1st week of March

Families:

- 1st and 2nd child pay full price, 3rd child 50% off, and 4th child and more are free!

REGISTRATION

WALK-IN REGISTRATION

Edison Park Studio: August 22nd and 24th from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

MAIL-IN REGISTRATION

Mail-in registration can be handled by completing Registration Form and sending it to the Academy at:

Mullane Godley Academy
 7021 N. Milwaukee Ave.
 Niles, IL 60714



CLASS SCHEDULE

Walk-In Registration:
August 22nd & 24th from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

	STUDIO A	CLASS	STUDIO B	CLASS
MONDAY				
	5:30 - 6:00	Tots	5:00 - 6:10	Level 4
	5:30 - 6:10	Level 1	6:10 - 6:50	Team U10
	6:10 - 6:40	Team U8	6:50 - 8:30	Level 5
	6:40 - 7:40	Level 2/3		

TUESDAY				
	5:15 - 5:55	Boys Class	5:00 - 6:20	Level 4
	5:55 - 6:55	Level 2/3	6:20 - 6:50	Team U12
			6:50 - 8:30	Level 5

WEDNESDAY				
	Small group and private lessons		5:45 - 6:15	Tots
			5:45 - 6:25	Level 1
			6:25 - 7:25	Level 2/3

THURSDAY				
	5:00 - 5:30	Tots	5:00 - 6:20	Level 4
	5:00 - 5:40	Level 1	6:20 - 8:00	Level 5
	5:40 - 6:40	Level 2/3	8:00 - 8:30	Team U15/O18
	6:40 - 7:10	Team 4 Hand		

SATURDAY				
	8:30 - 9:00	Tots		
	8:30 - 9:10	Level 1		

LINCOLN PARK (DAY)	TIME
Monday	4:25 - 5:00
Tuesday	4:45 - 5:20



CLASS CALENDAR

Walk-in Registration:

7021 N. Milwaukee Niles, IL August

August 22nd & 24th from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

SEPTEMBER							OCTOBER							NOVEMBER							DECEMBER							JANUARY						
Su	M	T	W	T	F	S	Su	M	T	W	T	F	S	Su	M	T	W	T	F	S	Su	M	T	W	T	F	S	Su	M	T	W	T	F	S
3							1	Classes						5	Classes						3	No Class week of 3 rd						7	Classes					
10							8	No Class Mon. Oct. 9th (Columbus Day)						12	Classes						10	Classes						14	No Class Mon. Jan 15th (MLK Day)					
17	Classes Start						15	Classes						19	Classes						17	Classes						21	Classes					
24	Classes						22	Classes						26	No Class week of 26 th						24	No Class week of 24 th						28	Classes					
							29	No Class Tues. Oct. 31st (Halloween)						31	No Class week of 31 st						31	No Class week of 31 st												
FEBRUARY							MARCH							APRIL							MAY							JUNE						
Su	M	T	W	T	F	S	Su	M	T	W	T	F	S	Su	M	T	W	T	F	S	Su	M	T	W	T	F	S	Su	M	T	W	T	F	S
4	Classes						3	Classes						7	Classes						5	Classes						2	Classes					
11	Classes						10	Classes						14	Classes						12	Classes						9	Last week of Classes					
18	No Class Mon. Feb 19th (President's Day)						17	Classes						21	Classes						19	Classes						16						
25	Classes						24	No Class week of 24 th						28	Classes						26	No Classes Mon. May 27th (Memorial Day)						23						
							31	No Class week of 31 st																										

ACADEMY EVENTS

AUGUST 22ND & 24TH	Walk-in Registration
OCTOBER 28TH	Mullane Godley Halloween Feis (Dance Competition)
NOVEMBER 24TH-26TH	Oireachtas Weekend
DECEMBER 9TH	Christmas Showcase and Holiday Party
MARCH	St. Patrick's Day Performances
MARCH 24TH- 31ST	World Championships in Glasgow
APRIL	National Workshop
JUNE 9TH 2023	MG Dance Recital
JUNE 15TH- 16TH, 2023	MG Academy Feis Competition Weekend
JULY 1ST- 4TH 2023	National Championships
AUGUST 2023	Oireachtas Workshop

REGISTRATION FORM

Walk-in Registration: August 22nd & 24th from 5:30- 6:30 p.m.

Mail-in Registration: 7021 N. Milwaukee Niles, IL

1. PLEASE PROVIDE CONTACT INFORMATION

FAMILY NAME:	
ADDRESS	
CITY, STATE, ZIP	
PHONE1:	
PHONE 2:	
EMAIL:	
ALT EMAIL:	

2. PLEASE PROVIDE DANCER(S) INFORMATION

DANCER NAME:		BIRTH DATE:		LEVEL:		TUITION FEE:	
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Location: Niles

Lincoln Park

3. PLEASE PROVIDE FEE INFORMATION

TOTAL TUITION:							
REG FEE:							
TOTAL:							
PHONE:							
CREDIT CARD:		EXP DATE		CVV		ZIP	

Parent/Guardian Signature

I acknowledge that a credit or debit card fee will be charged at the start of each of the four sessions. To prevent unnecessary billing, please provide at least a weeks notice in the event a dancer won't be attending a session.

We, the staff at Mullane Godley Academy (Academy), recognize our obligation to make sure our students and their parents are aware of the risks and hazards involved in any form of physical activity like dance. By signing this waiver, you release the Academy and all its teachers from all claims on account of any injury which may be sustained while attending any dance class, event associated with the Academy or outside Academy performance. In signing this waiver, you acknowledge that the above enrolled dancers knowingly and voluntarily assume the unlikely risk of injury and agree that the Academy and their instructors are not liable for personal injuries that a student may suffer during class or at any related function.

I hereby give the Academy, the right and permission to use and/or publish photographs of enrolled dancers for promotional purposes including but not limited to Academy newsletters, marketing, publicity, commercial or display and for use on social media, such as Facebook, Twitter, and the Academy's website page.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE



WAIVER/RELEASE FOR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES INCLUDING COVID-19 ASSUMPTION OF RISK/ WAIVER OF LIABILITY/INDEMNIFICATION

In consideration of being allowed to participate on behalf of **MULLANE GODLEY IRISH DANCE ACADEMY** athletic program and related events and activities, the undersigned acknowledge, appreciates, and agree that:

1. Participating includes possible exposure to an illness from infectious diseases including but not limited to COVID-19. While rules and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious illness and death does exist; and,
2. **I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS**, both known and unknown, **EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES** or others, assume full responsibility for my participation; and,
3. I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation as regards protection against infectious disease. If, however, I observe any unusual or significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately; and,
4. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, **HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS MULLANE GODLEY IRISH DANCE ACADEMY**, their officers, officials, agents, and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owner and lessor of premises used to conduct class, **WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL ILLNESS, DISABILITY, DEATH**, or loss or damage to person or property, **WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE**, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IF FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

Name of Participant: _____

Participant Signature: _____

Date Signed:_____/_____/2023

FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE (UNDER AGE 18 AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION)

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian, with legal responsibility for this participant, have read and explained the provisions in this waiver/release to my child/ward including the risks of presence and participation and his/her personal responsibilities for adhering to the rules and regulations for protection against communicable diseases. Furthermore, my child/ward understands and accepts these risks and responsibilities. I for myself, my spouse, and child/ward do consent and agree to his/her release provided above for all the Releasees and myself, my spouse, and my minor child's/ward's presence or participation in these activities as provided above, **EVEN IF ARISING FROM THEIR NEGLIGENCE, to the fullest extent provided by law.**

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date signed:_____/_____/2023