

FÉIS INFORMATION, POLICIES, AND FORT WORDEN RULES

ARRIVAL AND CHECK-OUT

On site check-in will take place from 7:00pm – 9:00pm on both Tuesday and Thursday nights in Building 204. Please go there upon arrival, and our registration assistants will direct you where to park for the duration of the Féis. Remember to eat dinner before you arrive! When you check in you will get your class schedule, name tag, festival program, room key and concert ticket.

All Participants must be completely out of their dorm rooms and have their keys returned no later than 10:30am on Sunday.

MEALS

All meals will be served family-style in the dining hall. The serving time for meals is limited, so to insure that you get to eat, please be sure to get there and be seated at the beginning of each meal time! Three meals included per day of classes, plus breakfast on Sunday morning. Tea and coffee will be available at the nightly céilidhs.

ALCOHOL

Due to insurance reasons, we ask that all alcohol consumed on the premises of Fort Worden State Park be purchased from Blackberries, our licensed caterer. Alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase at the nightly céilidhs. This will also help insure that the Féis is able to cover expenses and can continue in the future.

BATTLE OF THE CÉILIDH BANDS

At our opening céilidh on Tuesday evening, those who wish to participate in the Battle of Céilidh Bands will be dividing into groups. Each group will pick a Gaelic name for itself, and will have the week to prepare an up-to 8 minute performance from our songbook. The competition will take place at the Saturday evening céilidh. Weekend participants will have the opportunity to form an additional group on Thursday evening. The winners will be chosen by the assembled audience! Join in! It's going to be a blast!

BUTH NA FÉISE (FÉIS STORE)

Our Presenters and Slighe nan Gaidheal itself will have CDs and other goods for sale daily at our merchandise booth. The store will not have blank tapes, batteries or film, so be sure to have your own supply of these items. Please check your Feis program for times when the store will be open.

INSTRUMENTS & SUPPLIES

Your registration packet includes basic Gaelic phrases and songs – please bring these with you to Féis Shiàtail 2004 to continue learning them! Students must provide their own instruments for music classes. Pipers should bring chanters for bagpipe class, but are welcome to bring their pipes for céilidhs, etc. In order to fully participate in the Battle of the Céilidh Bands, piping students should bring a chanter in the key of D or A. Notepaper and a writing implement are highly recommended.

CLOTHING & PERSONAL ITEMS

Casual clothing is appropriate (plan for warm weather as well as rain). Dance Participants should plan to wear loose, lightweight clothing and low-heeled, leather-soled shoes, and bring a water

bottle. Participants should bring their own toiletries, bedding and towels. (Those who have ordered linen service need not bring their own bedding and towels.)

LAUNDRY

There is a Laundromat on site; check with the Park Office for operating hours and cost.

SMOKING

All Fort Worden buildings are non-smoking.

PETS / WORKING ANIMALS

No pets are allowed at Fort Worden. Please inform us at your earliest convenience if you require accommodation for your working animal companion.

TELEPHONES

There are pay phones in all dormitory buildings and throughout Fort Worden.

RECYCLING AND TRASH

Fort Worden recycles; please use the bins stationed throughout the Park to recycle. Please help keep the Park clean and beautiful by disposing of all trash in trash bins.

PARKING

Parking is available on-site for Participants and concert attendees. Park in back of Building 204 while you check in; our registration assistants will inform you where you may park permanently.

FORT WORDEN FURNITURE AND OTHER PROPERTY

Please do not move Fort Worden furniture, equipment, or other property from where you find it.

LIABILITY

Fort Worden State Park Conference Center and Slighe nan Gaidheal accept no liability for loss or damage to property belonging to Participants. All dorm and class rooms can be locked.

OTHER RULES & REGULATIONS

All students must obey all rules and regulations as posted or otherwise indicated by Fort Worden State Park.

EMERGENCY ON-SITE CONTACT INFORMATION

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