

# Nuachlitir CCÉ Craobh Ottawa Branch Newsletter

April 2012

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## April Céilí

**Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>**  
8:00 pm to 11:30 pm  
Blessed Sacrament Church Hall  
194 Fourth Ave.

**Entertainment** – The entertainment for the April céilí will be provided by Dan McHale.

Cost:  
Members – \$10,  
Guests – \$12,  
Students – \$5,  
Children under 12 – free



## Maureen Mulvey Set Dancing Workshop

**Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 10:00 am – 2:30 pm**  
**Blessed Sacrament Church Hall**  
**194 Fourth Ave. (at Percy in the Glebe)**  
Lots of street parking available.

There will be a half hour break for lunch.  
Please bring your own lunch. We will supply water, soft drinks and fruit.

Admission for workshop and céilí that evening: \$20 members, \$25 non-members  
Workshop only: \$15 members, \$20 non-members

*Sessions in Ottawa and the Valley!*  
Contact Janice Parton or Craig Hamm for info on music, workshops and concerts in your area!

<http://www.irishmusicottawa.ca/>  
<http://irishmusicottawa.blogspot.com/>

## April Events

### Irish Language Immersion Weekend in Kingston

**Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup> to  
Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Seniors Centre, 56  
Francais Street and  
Peachtree Inn, 1187  
Princess St, Kingston**

\$220 including accommodation, classes, workshops, ceili and meals (continental breakfast at hotel, all other meals at Seniors Centre)

\$145 excluding hotel

\$80 Saturday classes, workshops and meals only (\$65 for students)

This will be a fun-filled weekend with a chance to learn some Irish or improve your Irish. There are also set dancing and other workshops offered.

For more details and/or to register by Paypal, go to:  
[http://www.srayner.ca/comhaltas/M\\_Language.htm](http://www.srayner.ca/comhaltas/M_Language.htm)

For further information, contact Aralt Mac Giolla Chainnigh:  
(613) 541-6000 or [kenny-h@rmc.ca](mailto:kenny-h@rmc.ca)

### 2011/2012 CCÉ Céilís

November 19<sup>th</sup>

December 17<sup>th</sup>

January 21<sup>st</sup>

February 18<sup>th</sup>

March 17<sup>th</sup> – Dinner/Céilí

April 21<sup>st</sup>

May 19<sup>th</sup>

## **The Communication Cord**

### **An Irish Farce by Brian Friel**

**Directed by John P. Kelly**

**March 28 – April 14 at The Gladstone**

Brian Friel's award-winning and hilarious farce is set in a remote cottage in Donegal which has been converted into a weekend retreat for the urban élite. Jack loans this cottage to his friend Tim for one furtive hour so as to impress his girlfriend's father. The resulting complications, cover-ups and confusions are constantly hilarious as Friel's play is virtually a send-up of the sentiments so movingly expressed in his own earlier play *Translations*.

Don't miss this uproarious John P. Kelly production!

Featuring: David Whiteley, Tim Oberholzer, Janet Uren, Michelle LeBlanc, Alain Chamsi, Kat Smiley, Steve Martin and Geneviève Sirois.

Tickets

Adult: \$34.51 + HST = \$39

Senior (65+): \$30.09 + HST = \$34

Student/Artist/Unwaged: 20.35 + HST = \$23

Preview performance: \$10.62 + HST = \$12

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PRODUCTIONS**

## **CCÉ North American Convention**

**April 26 – April 29, 2012 in St. Louis, Missouri**  
**Venue: Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark**

Registration and Information:

[www.cceconvention2012.org](http://www.cceconvention2012.org)

[info@cceconvention2012.org](mailto:info@cceconvention2012.org)

636-798-2168 or 314-842-3906



Have information for the newsletter, contact the PRO:  
613-722-3620  
[criostoir.seoirse@gmail.com](mailto:criostoir.seoirse@gmail.com)

## **Ottawa Traditional Fiddling and Folk Art Society's 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Fiddle Workshop**

Instructors: Ray Legere and Shane Cook

**Nepean Creative Arts Centre, 35 Stafford Rd**  
**Saturday, April 28, 2012, 9:00 am. to 4:00 pm**

Cost for all participants (includes lunch): \$45  
(registration is required)

More info: [irishmusicottawa.blogspot.com](http://irishmusicottawa.blogspot.com)

Contact: Don Fletcher

E-mail: [fletchers5@rogers.com](mailto:fletchers5@rogers.com)

Telephone: 613-836-9410

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Danny O'Connell Memorial Award**

Each year, the Danny O'Connell Memorial Award offers an award "to support Ottawa Valley traditional 'old-time' or Celtic fiddlers under 25 years of age, who demonstrate musical potential and financial need".

This year's award is \$1,000, and the deadline for receipt of applications by the Community Foundation of Ottawa, is **May 1, 2012**.

To apply, applicants must:

- 1) submit a one page letter to Community Foundation of Ottawa (suite 301, 75 Albert Street, Ottawa ON K1P 5E7) outlining their musical goals and aspirations, their current financial situation, and why this award is important to them .
- 2) obtain a letter of reference from their supporting organization (The Irish Society of the National Capital Region), or The Ottawa Fiddling and Folk Art Society, or the Renfrew County Fiddlers Association).

(NOTE: Candidates seeking a letter of reference from the Irish Society of the National Capital Region, are to submit their request to The Irish

Society of the National Capital Region (attention Bill Tobin), Box 5112, Ottawa ON K2C 3H4 by April 20, 2012 .

3) provide some evidence of performance (CD, tape, etc) if possible .

Additional information may be obtained from Bill Tobin at [past-pres@irishsocietyncr.com](mailto:past-pres@irishsocietyncr.com)

### **Fiddler's Friends Concert**

**Sunday afternoon on May 6, 2012 at the Almonte Old Town Hall**

Performers include The Barley Shakers and Monday Night Fiddlers as well as others and recipients of the Danny O'Connell Memorial Award.

Tickets, \$15, are available from Couples Corner, Mississippi Mills Musicworks, and by telephone from Mill Street Books (613) 256-9090 as well as at the door.

Further information: (613) 256-3786  
Posted on: <http://irishmusicottawa.blogspot.ca/>

### **May Tulip Ball**

**Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 pm – 11:00 pm  
Residence of the Ambassador of Ireland  
291 Park Road, Rockcliffe Park**

Join us for music, dancing, chatter and craic!  
**No jeans, please. Formal/semi-formal attire only.** Please enjoy the bar responsibly.

Tickets:  
18 and under: \$20 (\$25 at the door)  
Students, Youth, Members: \$25 (\$30 at the door)  
Non-members over 25: \$30 (\$35 at the door)

Contact any member of the executive for tickets.

More details on the CCÉ Ottawa Facebook group web page (under Events):  
<http://www.facebook.com/events/258518104235612/>

### **Call for Artists for June Art Fundraiser**

Artists, who engage in any of the visual and sculptural arts, are invited to participate in an art exhibition and fund-raising event, with proceeds to go to the Permanent North American Gaeltacht. Submissions must reflect the theme "Our Roots" and will be examined by a jury. As this is a fund-raising event, artists are being asked to contribute a percentage of sales.

This fund-raising exhibition will be held at **Saint Brigid's Centre for the Arts** from **June 21 – 24, 2012**. More details to come.

**Help us make this event a success by indicating your interest by the end of March, 2012.**

**Volunteers are also needed!**

If you are interested in participating, please contact Toni Forsythe:  
613-233-9927 or [toni144@gmail.com](mailto:toni144@gmail.com)



### **News and Announcements**

Seán O'Carroll has won the 2012 CCÉ Service Award, which will be presented at the CCÉ North American Convention in St. Louis.


Please continue to keep both Maureen Maher and her son, Jimmy, in your prayers and caring thoughts at this time as they face health challenges.

## Pictures From St. Patrick's Day Céilí

Performers from the Trillium School of Irish Dance. Photo from Michael Kramer.



Photos by Pat Cassidy:

**Mary Muckle**

Harp ~ Voice ~ Piano  
Harp Lessons

3626 Woodroffe Ave.  
Nepean, ON K2J 407  
Phone: 613-825-1379  
Email: mucklerice@rogers.com

Oireachtas Cheanada  
July 6-8, 2012

Details to follow!  
Volunteers are needed  
in all capacities – pre-  
planning and the day of!  
We would love you to  
help!!



Anyone interested in music classes, contact:

Rita Walker

[jantarborzoi@sympatico.ca](mailto:jantarborzoi@sympatico.ca)

Come out for ...

Sean-nós dancing (beginner):

Wednesdays, 7:00-7:30 PM, Bronson Centre – Grey Court room

Contact Síle Scott: [Sheila.Scott@uottawa.ca](mailto:Sheila.Scott@uottawa.ca)

Set dancing (all levels):

Wednesdays, 7:30-9:00 PM, Bronson Centre – Grey Court room

Contact Síle Scott: [Sheila.Scott@uottawa.ca](mailto:Sheila.Scott@uottawa.ca)

Irish Solo dance:

Mondays, 7:00-8:30 PM, Blessed Sacrament Church Hall

Contact Caitlin Crockard: [cscrockard@hotmail.com](mailto:cscrockard@hotmail.com)

Irish language classes for beginners, intermediate or fluent speakers!

Classes are at Blessed Sacrament and we are fortunate to have some native fluent speakers as instructors. This is a wonderful opportunity to speak with some BLAS!!

Send an e-mail to [Sheila.Scott@uottawa.ca](mailto:Sheila.Scott@uottawa.ca) for details and rates.

The Ottawa Celtic Choir is a community choir whose mandate is to sing the songs of the Celtic nations and the Celtic diaspora in English and in the six Celtic languages.

Ellen MacIsaac

613-740-1160 or [ellen@laughingbrook.ca](mailto:ellen@laughingbrook.ca)



*Celtic Cross is a new performance group made up of adult dancers from the disciplines of Irish, Highland, and Ottawa Valley step dance.*

*The group has a roster of over 20 dancers with decades of experience as teachers, choreographers, performers and competitors. They perform traditional dances, and original contemporary choreographies that blend all three dance styles. Celtic Cross is available for performances at concerts, festivals, parties, weddings and more.*

*Contact them if you'd like some lively dancing at your event!*

For more information, e-mail:  
[celticcrossottawa@gmail.com](mailto:celticcrossottawa@gmail.com)  
<http://celticcrossdancers.com/>



### **Irish Seniors Drop-in Centre**

*Tuesdays 11a.m. to 1:30 p.m.*

*St. Margaret Mary's Church Hall, Fairbairn at Sunnyside.*

*Join the gang for pot-luck lunch, stories, music and great craic!*

*Kay 613-829-8467 or Margo 613-837-4164*



Streaming: [www.thegaelichour.ca](http://www.thegaelichour.ca) e-mail: [austin@thegaelichour.ca](mailto:austin@thegaelichour.ca)