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# HOURS & ADMISSION

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 18 – 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Grand Hooley

Admission \$5. Free admission with donation of school supplies (markers, notebooks, backpacks, etc.) for children served by Hope House. Kids 12 & under free.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 19 – 4 p.m. to midnight

Admission \$10; Kids 12 & under free.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 20 – Noon to midnight

Admission \$20 adults; \$15 seniors 60+; Kids 12 & under free.

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 21 – 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Admission \$20 adults; \$15 seniors 60+; Kids 12 & under free.

**FREE ADMISSION:** The South Gates will open at 8 a.m. Anyone donating non-perishable food items by 11 a.m. (at the South Gate), will receive free admission to the festival. Patrons are welcome to attend the Liturgy for Peace and Justice beginning at 9:30 a.m. and receive free admission to the festival immediately following. Those donating food who choose not to attend the service will receive a hand stamp valid for free entry at any time that day during regular festival hours (11 a.m. to 10 p.m.). All non-perishable food will be donated to Hunger Task Force.

**COLLEGE DAY:** \$3 discount off admission 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. with valid college student ID (all gates).

**MILITARY/VETERANS DAY:** Free admission (+1 guest) with valid military ID (all gates).

**GROUP TICKET SALES –** Save the green with group ticket sales available through July 31, 2016. 26-99 tickets are \$15 each; 100+ tickets are \$13 each. Call **414-476-FEST (3378)** or visit **IrishFest.com** for information.

**Multi-Day Pass is available online at IrishFest.com.**

**Watch for ticket specials all summer, including our Dublin' the Fun promotions and ticket packages.**

## TRANSIT OPTIONS

Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) shuttles and flyers will be available to ride to and from the festival grounds.

For more info call **414-344-6711** or visit **RideMCTS.com**.

Driving in? Visit **projects.511wi.gov** for construction updates.

## MEET CELTICMKE

Milwaukee Irish Fest is proudly presented by CelticMKE. We are a non-profit organization dedicated to sharing our love of Celtic history and culture with people in greater Milwaukee, and all over the world!

Along with our one-of-a-kind festival, CelticMKE is thrilled to offer art and music classes, fun family events, lectures, and concerts from some of the world's best Irish, Irish American and Celtic experts all year long.

CelticMKE is also host to a number of Celtic programs and cultural heritage projects at our headquarters in Wauwatosa:

- The Ward Irish Music Archives
- Irish Fest Choir
- School of Music
- Summer School

In addition to offering classes, lectures, and events, CelticMKE is dedicated to giving back through the Irish Fest Foundation. Established in 1994, the Foundation has granted over \$500,000 to non-profit entities.

Visit **CelticMKE.com** to learn more about the organization and explore upcoming events. We hope to see you soon at one of CelticMKE's fantastic programs!



## SUPPORT CELTICMKE

It's easy to support CelticMKE's year-round programming. Just visit **CelticMKE.com** or call **414-476-3378** to make your donation. You may give to the organization's general fund, or you may choose to direct your gift to one of CelticMKE's dedicated funds including:

- Friends Fund
- Tommy Makem Fund
- Eugene Byrne Fund

Prefer to volunteer? We'd love to have you! Visit **CelticMKE.com** or call **414-476-3378** to learn more about the opportunities available during Milwaukee Irish Fest as well as other programs throughout the year.

**Thank you for your support!**





# IRISH FEST HAS IT ALL

From traditional fiddle to electric guitar, and everything in between, there's something for everyone to love at Milwaukee Irish Fest. This year, the world's largest celebration of Irish music and culture welcomes back festival favorites, and introduces new attractions during the four-day celebration on Milwaukee's lakefront at the Henry W. Maier Festival Park. With hundreds of acts on 17 stages, delicious Irish food, traditional sporting events, Irish dancing, and activities for people of all ages, you won't want to miss a minute of the 2016 festival. Whether you love a pint or two with friends, or if having a cup of tea with family is more your, well, cup of tea, you can do it at Milwaukee Irish Fest!

## CELTIC WORLD SHOWCASE

The music of the Celts, the Iron Age people who lived in large areas of Western Europe, has traveled around the world. Over time, different cultures have added their own flavor to the mix, creating something truly beautiful and unique. This year's entertainment showcase puts the spotlight on artists who are continuing these centuries-old musical traditions while putting their spin on global music. Artists in our Celtic World Showcase hail from Celtic nations around the world and will perform in traditional languages, such as Gaelic. We're thrilled to bring this musical tradition to audiences at Milwaukee Irish Fest. Gather your clan, and we'll see you in August.



## ARTS, CRAFTS, & CULTURE COME ALIVE

### CULTURAL VILLAGE

From art and music to history and crafts, this is Ireland on the lakefront. Enjoy theater, learn to speak Irish, and visit the Roots and Pub stages for great music.

### MOORE STREET MARKET

Shop a variety of wares from Irish artisans including fine tweeds, knits, jewelry, art prints, and more.

### GENEALOGY AND LITERARY CORNER

Trace your roots with help from expert genealogists from the U.S. and Ireland. Meet featured authors in the Literary Corner and get your new favorite book signed.

### HEDGE SCHOOL

Learn about Irish and Irish-American history, music, culture, and politics from speakers from around the world.

### 1916 COMMEMORATION

2016 marks 100 years since the historic events of The 1916 Easter Rising in Ireland. Look for special exhibits and commemorations throughout the Festival grounds to learn more about the legacy and meaning of this significant part of Irish history.

## SUMMER SCHOOL AT CELTICMKE

Our popular Summer School program returns to the historic CelticMKE Center in Wauwatosa. From August 15-19, kids and adults are invited to experience a week of hands-on learning like none other. World-class experts and instructors teach classes in Irish dance, music, culture, language, and the art and craft traditions of Ireland. Learn more and register at [IrishFestSummerSchool.com](http://IrishFestSummerSchool.com).

*CelticMKE Center is located at 1532 N. Wauwatosa Ave.*



# A FAMILY EXPERIENCE



## FREE

### BIG FUN FOR YOUR WEE ONES

#### CELTIC CANINES

Meet native dog breeds of Ireland including Setters, Spaniels, and Irish Wolfhounds at this special exhibit by local breeders.

#### CHILDREN'S AREA

Lots o'fun for the kids all in one place! Mini-golf, Pot O'Gold prizes, stories and a snack in the Children's Tea Room, coloring and craft area, and Highland Games. Performances on two stages include Irish dancing, music, and interactive storytelling.

#### PASSPORT TO FUN

Collect special stamps throughout Milwaukee Irish Fest. It's a fun way to keep the whole family together and thoroughly entertained. Kids can make crafts, see dancers, pet dogs, get prizes, and build a Paddy Pirate Passport!

#### LEPRECHAUN VILLAGE

Yes, leprechauns are real, and they'll be right here at Milwaukee Irish Fest! The Ancient Order of Leprechauns will gather daily just east of the Children's Area. Really!

#### GREENWISH VILLAGE

Explore the wonders of water and learn how every drop counts! Play eco-friendly games, and use our energy bike to create wind to race a sustainable sailboat. Adults, you'll love learning about rain gardens and rain barrels.

### A LITTLE MORE GREEN IN YOUR WALLET

All kids (age 12 and under) get in free to the festival.

**VISIT [IRISHFEST.COM](http://IRISHFEST.COM) FOR UPDATES**