



## Winter School 2017 Registration Information

**Registration for Winter School opens on September 1<sup>st</sup>! Register online at [www.celticarts.org](http://www.celticarts.org)**

Returning Winter School students will notice that the registration process has been updated this year, and newcomers will likely have questions about how to navigate the process. The Celtic Arts Foundation hopes this document will help all of our students in successfully registering for Winter School and knowing what to expect on September 1<sup>st</sup>!

### **Dates & Schedules**

Winter School 2017 is back to a normal schedule! We are pleased to be able to offer Weekend Sessions for smallpipers, fiddlers, and drummers; 5-Day Sessions for smallpipers, fiddlers, drummers, and Highland pipers; and an Extended Session for Highland Pipers. We also have an Early Arrival Option for smallpipers and fiddlers who would like to get settled at Seabeck the day before classes begin.

#### Session I: Smallpipes & Fiddles

- Early Arrival Option: Arrive on Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:00PM
- Weekend Option: Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> – Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>
- 5-Day Option: Saturday, January 29<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>

#### Session II: Highland Pipes & Drums (Bass, Tenor, and Side)

- Weekend Option (Drummers Only): Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> – Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup>
- 5-Day Option: Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>
- Extended Stay (Highland Pipes Only): Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup> – Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>

Tuition prices vary depending on the length of participants' stay.

## **Instructors**

We are pleased to be able to bring some of the Celtic music world's biggest names to serve as instructors for Winter School, ensuring the highest caliber level of instruction for participants. This year's invited instructors include:

- **Fiddle:** Wendy MacIsaac, Katie McNally, and Troy MacGillivray
- **Smallpipes:** Fred Morrison and Finlay MacDonald
- **Highland Pipes:** Fred Morrison, Brian Donaldson, Bruce Gandy, Murray Henderson, Jack Lee, Stuart Liddell, Angus MacColl, Willie McCallum, and Roddy MacLeod
- **Side Drum:** Steven McWhirter and Blair Brown
- **Bass Drum:** Mike Cole
- **Tenor Drum:** Tyler Fry
- **Extended Session Piping:** Murray Henderson, Stuart Liddell, Roddy McLeod

## **Staying at Seabeck**

[Seabeck Conference Center](#) is a stunning venue on the Hood Canal, secluded and ideal for an immersive music workshop. Lodging at Seabeck is a great option for Winter School participants. All registrants will receive meals and day use as part of their package; registrants may also choose to stay at Seabeck overnight for added convenience and fun.

For information about housing and meals, please see the Tuition & Housing Info Sheet.

## **Registering for Winter School 2017**

Winter School registration this year will consist of moving through a combination of mandatory and optional registration steps:

- General Overview & Instructions (mandatory)
- Tuition & Housing (mandatory)
- Private Lessons for Highland Pipers (optional)
- Merchandise (optional)
- Transportation (optional)
- Waiver & Policies (mandatory)

During each step, registrants will either be required or given the option to add several tickets to their shopping carts. For instance, during the Tuition & Housing section, all participants must indicate their tuition package (Weekend or 5-Day Session) and their housing selection. Registrants will also have the option of adding additional tickets, such as the Early Arrival or Extended Stay options. Optional screens, such as the merchandise screen, will let registrants know what extras are available for purchase to enhance their Winter School experience, but no tickets are required to be added to the participant's cart during this stage.

Each step appears with an informational screen followed with ticket options at the bottom of the page. Participants will select the ticket type and quantity to add item(s) to their carts. Registrants will add tickets to their shopping carts throughout the different steps of registration, paying for the grand total after completing the Waiver & Policies step.

After all tickets have been added, registrants will enter personal/contact information, payment information, and then answer a series of questions (such as instrument type, special dietary requirements, roommate/housing requests, etc.). After answering these questions, registration is complete!

### **Masters of Scottish Arts Concert**

A hallmark of Winter School is the Masters of Scottish Arts (MSA) Concert that takes place between Sessions I and II at Benaroya Hall in downtown Seattle. This concert brings some of the world's greatest Celtic talent to one stage for an unforgettable performance unlike any other. MSA 2017 will be held on **Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**.

All Winter School participants receive a complimentary ticket to the concert as part of their registration and also have the option of purchasing additional tickets at a discounted rate for friends and family to join them. This year, we are pleased to provide a transportation package to help our participants in their travel between Benaroya Hall, SeaTac, and Seabeck.

### **All Ages Workshop**

Minors are welcome to join us at Winter School, but those under 16 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or appointed guardian. Parents/guardians will stay at Seabeck along with the students and join us for meals and enjoying musical performances and ceilidhs.

More information about the chaperone policy is available during registration, or by contacting the Celtic Arts Foundation at (360)416-4934 or by emailing [events@celticarts.org](mailto:events@celticarts.org).

Participants under the age of 21 are also required to abide by our Drug & Alcohol Policy while staying at Seabeck.

### **Questions?**

In-depth information is included on each registration step, but we are always more than happy to address additional questions and concerns participants may have. Please call us at (360)416-4934 or email [events@celticarts.org](mailto:events@celticarts.org) for assistance.

See you at Winter School 2017!