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# The Minnesota Feis, Inc

The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Irish Arts Competition 2009 Minnesota Feis

Greetings,

The Minnesota Feis, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit, presents an exciting opportunity to support a major Twin Cities' event that promotes Irish culture as well as an activity that encourages a healthy alternative for youth. There is an Irish saying about "dancing at the crossroads" where families would meet at a major road intersection, pull out their instruments, and get their feet stepping for an evening of Celtic dance and music. While not as impromptu as it was in earlier days, in many ways *The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Irish Arts Competition 2009 Minnesota Feis* continues the tradition of bringing together youth and families from across many miles to be actively involved in the Irish culture. Our organization touches the lives of many youth and families from across the Twin Cities, the whole Midwest, and even our Canadian neighbors who travel to Saint Paul to be part of the event!

A "feis" is an Irish dance and music competition where amateur dancers and musicians compete both individually and in small teams before national and international adjudicators. The judges then score the competitors in various competition categories based on their age and proficiency and provide them feedback that will help them grow in their skills. This year, *The Minnesota Feis* is on Saturday, September 26, 2009 at the RiverCentre in Saint Paul. We will have over 550 competitors and their families in attendance. The dancers and musicians range in age from five years-old to adult. Their skills range from "first feis" beginners to championship level. The event is open to the public to enjoy the day by watching the dancing, listening to the music and shopping at a great array of vendors. We typically have a few thousand attendees at the feis and many more thousands of visitors annually to our feis website ([www.theminnesotafeis.com](http://www.theminnesotafeis.com)). By sponsoring this event locally, we offer local Irish dancers and musicians the option of participating in a high level event without needing to travel out-of-state. This is important not only because we are holding it in our home town for our youth, but because it makes the "feising" more affordable and open to more families, as the travel costs are eliminated.

We are a volunteer organization. The funds to pay for the feis are generated through competitor fees, our continuing fundraising, and organization donations. Donations are a huge part of being able to put on an event of this size! As a 501(c)(3) non-profit, donations to *The Minnesota Feis, Inc.* are tax deductible.

We look forward to the opportunity to meet and talk with you about *The Minnesota Feis* and how you might become involved. All contributions are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Brenda Buckley, Board President \* Mary Thomas, Feis Co-Chair \*  
Theresa Ener, Feis Co-Chair \* Mark Dietzsch, Board Member

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# Sponsor/Program Ad Form

## Ad Deadline: Due August 31, 2009

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### SPONSORSHIP

	Sponsorship Level	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Stage Sponsorship	Donation: \$500. This donation sponsors a stage or major feis area, such as the Awards Area or the Music and Arts competition area  In return for this generous donation, the sponsor receives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The organization's banner hung at dance stage or feis area during the feis</li> <li>• Their organization logo prominently displayed on the home page of <i>The Minnesota Feis</i> website <b>through May 15, 2010</b></li> <li>• Full page program ad.</li> </ul>

### PROGRAM ADVERTISEMENTS

	Ad Specifics	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Full Page Ad 8 1/2" X 5 1/2"	\$100— Includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Program ad; and</li> <li>• The ad posted at the top of the Supporter Section of the feis website through May 15, 2010</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Half Page Ad 4 1/4" X 5"	\$60— Includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Program ad; and</li> <li>• Ad posted in the Supporter Section of the feis website through May 15, 2010</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Up to Quarter page Ad 2 1/8" X 4 1/4"	\$30 – Includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Program ad; and</li> <li>• Ad posted in the Supporter Section of the feis website through May 15, 2010</li> </ul>

Please furnish any ad copy or camera-ready art that is needed for the ad, (electronic ads are preferable).

Questions and advertisements can be sent to Mark Dietzsch at [mdietzsch@comcast.net](mailto:mdietzsch@comcast.net)

All ads should be emailed by August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009 in order for us to meet layout and printing schedules.

Please make payments out to "The Minnesota Feis" and mail to: **Mark Dietzsch**  
**9770 85<sup>TH</sup> ST PL SO**  
**Cottage Grove, MN 55016**

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