

The Phoenix Irish Step Dancers

The Phoenix Irish Step Dancers are a performance troupe of teaching artists dedicated to the sharing of Irish traditions and heritage through dance and education.

Founding Members:

Director: Sharon Judd, Teacher, Choreographer, Dancer. Bachelor of Arts, Arizona State University. Irish dance training: Donegal Dancers, 5 years; McTeggart School of Irish Dance-dancer and teacher, 14 years; University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee campus Irish studies, two summer sessions; TMRF certificate (issued by An Coimisiun le Rinci Gaelacha, 1994), Roster artist-Arizona Commission on the Arts 1991-present. Currently teaches dance at Bourgade Catholic High School.

Company member: Patrick Broderick, Teacher, Choreographer, Dancer. Bachelor of Arts, Arizona State University. Irish dance training: Donegal Dancers, 3 years; McTeggart School of Irish Dance, 4 years, Roster artist-Arizona Commission of the Arts 1991-present.

Company member: Judy Thom, Teacher, Chroeographer, Dancer, Costume Designer. Bachelor of Arts, University of Illinois: Master, University of Phoenix. Irish dancer training: Maoileidgh School of Irish Dance, 5 years; Bracken School of Irish Dance, 3 years. Roster artist-Arizona Commission on the Arts 1991-present.

The Phoenix Irish Step Dancers have additional members who are affiliated with us through other Irish dance schools and organizations, thereby enabling us to stage larger, more comprehensive performances.