



NOMINATIONS

for the

AIMS AWARDS

2017/2018

SHOW ADJUDICATORS

**Gilbert Section
Ciarán Mooney**

**Sullivan Section
Peter Kennedy**

The winners will be announced at the
AIMS Awards Banquet
in the **Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney**
on **Saturday 16th June 2018**

BEST OVERALL SHOW
(Jim Molloy/Joe Smyth/South-West Region Trophies)

Nominations for this category will be announced on Friday June 15
 in The INEC, Killarney

SPIRIT OF AIMS / Adjudicator's SPECIAL AWARD
(Jan Canavan Trophy)

Naoimh Penston Carnew Musical Society
 For doing machine-like work as an excellent Deloris Van Cartier, while also serving as
 Musical Director for the same production of Sister Act.

Fusion Theatre, Lisburn
 For their commitment to training how to skate and providing magical performances
 on wheels in Starlight Express.

James Dobbs and Éilish Coady New Ross Musical Society
 For their commitment to performing memorable dream-like dance sequences in Top Hat.

BEST DIRECTOR
(Dick Meany Trophy)

Oliver Hurley
 Christine Scarry
 Claire Tighe

Children of Eden
 Ragtime
 West Side Story

Tralee Musical Society
 Thurles Musical Society
 Leixlip Musical and Variety Group

BEST MUSICAL DIRECTOR
(Jerry Moran Trophy)

David Hayes
 Dermot O'Callaghan
 Wilson Shields

West Side Story
 The Hired Man
 West Side Story

Leixlip Musical and Variety Group
 HXT Musical Society, Dublin
 Belfast Music and Drama Society

BEST CHOREOGRAPHY
(Des Byrne Trophy)

FACT School of Performing Arts, Dublin
 St Agnes' Choral Society, Belfast
 UCD Musical Society, Dublin

Cats
 42nd Street
 Spring Awakening

Aoibheann Cooke and Emma Gannon
 Ann Marie Morgan
 Oisín Nolan

BEST ENSEMBLE
(Fr Black Trophy)

Go, Go, Go, Joseph
 The Dance at the Gym
 Raise Your Voice

Joseph and His ... Dreamcoat
 West Side Story
 Sister Act

The Cecilian MS, Limerick
 Leixlip Musical and Variety Group
 Trim Musical Society

BEST OVERALL SHOW
(Harry Cousins/Thurles Jubilee/Western Region Trophies)

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 in The INEC, Killarney

SPIRIT OF AIMS / Adjudicator's SPECIAL AWARD
(Gavin Hughes Trophy)

Robert Donnelly as Jim in Mr Carter The Musicall, JW Productions, Fethard
 As well as choreographing the tap routines for an excellent team of dancers, his own individual
 performance was a dynamically, superb exhibition of tap and ballet.

Phillipa Alford & Fiona Shirran in Sister Act, Kilcock Musical & Dramatic Society
 For two almost show-stealing, and outstandingly hilarious cameo performances as
 Sister Mary Martin of Tours and Sister Mary Theresa.

Deirdre Ryan for "Sorry Her Lot" in Pirates of Penzance, Tipperary Musical Society
 For a complete performance in a song, from the superb character comedy of the first verse to the operatic
 splendour of the second, this was a brilliantly devised and performed moment of musical theatre.

BEST DIRECTOR
(Tommy Ebbs Trophy)

Niall Heaney
 Des Henn
 Pat McElwain

Ragtime
 Grease
 All Shook Up

Bravo Theatre Group, Loughrea
 St Mary's Choral Society, Clonmel
 Coolmine Musical Society

BEST MUSICAL DIRECTOR
(Fintan O'Carroll Trophy)

Shane Farrell
 David Hayes
 Dave McGauran

Ragtime
 Jesus Christ Superstar
 All Shook Up

Bravo Theatre Group, Loughrea
 South Eastern Theatre Group, Waterford
 Coolmine Musical Society

BEST CHOREOGRAPHY
(Eastern Region Trophy)

Dunboyne Musical Society
 St Mary's Choral Society, Clonmel
 Trinity Musical Theatre Soc., Dublin

Oklahoma!
 Grease
 Evita

Aisling Rountree
 Barbara Meany
 Cisca Devereux & Katie Mirocha

BEST ENSEMBLE
(Sean Timmons Trophy)

"Sunday Morning Fever"
 "Jesus Christ, Superstar"
 "Mama Says"

Sister Act
 Jesus Christ Superstar
 Footloose

Fermoy Musical Society
 S. E. Theatre Group, Waterford
 St Patrick's Hall Musical Society, Strabane

BEST FEMALE SINGER (Mary Murray-Ingram Trophy)

Amber Dixon	Maria	West Side Story	Belfast Music and Drama Society
Niamh Long	Christine	The Phantom of the Opera	Donegal Youth Musical Theatre
Lisa Lyons	Wendla	Spring Awakening	UCD Musical Society

BEST MALE SINGER (Sylvia Leahy Trophy)

Chris Currid	Judas	Jesus Christ Superstar	Avonmore Musical Society
Ethan Haddock	Rusty	Starlight Express	Fusion Theatre, Lisburn
Robert Kelly	Phantom	The Phantom of the Opera	Donegal Youth Musical Theatre

BEST ACTRESS (Peggy O'Neill Memorial Trophy)

Lily McMonagle	Charity	Sweet Charity	Killarney Musical Society
Irene Malone	The Witch	Into the Woods	Carrick-on-Suir Musical Society
Sandra Power	The Baker's Wife	Into the Woods	Carrick-on-Suir Musical Society

BEST ACTOR (Ned Power Trophy)

Kevin Fagan	John	The Hired Man	HXT Musical Society, Dublin
Ruairí Nicholl	Melchior	Spring Awakening	UCD Musical Society, Dublin
Rory Sheehy	Moritz	Spring Awakening	UCD Musical Society, Dublin

BEST ACTRESS IN A SUPPORTING ROLE (Grainne McCarthy Trophy)

Jacqueline Brunton	Anita	West Side Story	Leixlip Musical and Variety Group
Jasmine Gardiner	Eponine	Les Misérables	Ballywillan Drama Group, Portrush
Amano Miura	Nickie	Sweet Charity	Killarney Musical Society

BEST ACTOR IN A SUPPORTING ROLE (Midland Region Trophy)

Seán Harkin	Stacee Jaxx	Rock of Ages	Belfast Music and Drama Society
Jamie Johnston	Various	I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change	Newcastle Glees MS
Rory Ward	Oscar	Sweet Charity	Killarney Musical Society

BEST COMEDIENNE (Loreto O'Connor Trophy)

Kelly Brown	Deloris	Sister Act	Fortwilliam Musical Society, Belfast
Lucia Evans	Deloris	Sister Act	Twin Productions, Galway
Ciara Mackey	Deloris	Sister Act	Newcastle Glees Musical Society

BEST COMEDIAN (Odie Keogh Trophy)

Seán Hendley	Franz	The Producers	Teachers' Musical Society, Dublin
Fionán O'Carroll	Robbie	The Wedding Singer	Newbridge Musical Society
Derek Shannon	Horace	Top Hat	New Ross Musical Society

BEST FEMALE SINGER (Northern Region Trophy)

Sarah Corcoran	Sarah	Ragtime	Bravo Theatre Group, Loughrea
Karen Hawthorne	Eliza Doolittle	My Fair Lady	Lisnagarvey Operatic Society
Katy Nicholas	Reno Sweeney	Anything Goes	Kilmainham Inchicore MS

BEST MALE SINGER (Frank Patterson Trophy)

Kevin Fagan	Judas	Jesus Christ Superstar	St Mary's Musical Society, Navan
John Murphy	Pirate King	Pirates of Penzance	Tipperary Musical Society
Rob Vickers	Jesus	Jesus Christ Superstar	S. E. Theatre Group, Waterford

BEST ACTRESS (Kitty Drohan Trophy)

Amanda Cunningham	Deloris Van Cartier	Sister Act	Kilcock Musical & Dramatic Society
Jennifer McGann	Dolly Levi	Hello, Dolly!	Pioneer Musical Society
Lainey O'Sullivan	Eva Peron	Evita	Trinity Musical Theatre Soc., Dublin

BEST ACTOR (South East Region Trophy)

Conor Begley	Judas	Jesus Christ Superstar	Bardic Theatre Group, Dungannon
Ray Collins	Tevye	Fiddler on the Roof	Waterford Musical Society
Anthony Fitzpatrick	Bill Snibson	Me and My Girl	Dundalk Musical Society

BEST ACTRESS IN A SUPPORTING ROLE (Nenagh Choral Society Trophy)

Helena Begley	Mother Superior	Sister Act	Kilcock Musical & Dramatic Society
Sarah Kenny	Sr Mary Patrick	Sister Act	Ennis Musical Society
Danielle Williamson	Irene Molloy	Hello, Dolly!	Pioneer Musical Society, Dublin

BEST ACTOR IN A SUPPORTING ROLE (Stephen Coleman Trophy)

John Conroy	Horton the Elephant	Seussical	Bray Musical Society
Shane Fox	Jud Fry	Oklahoma!	Dunboyne Musical Society
Cathal O'Donoghue	Major General	Pirates of Penzance	Tipperary Musical Society

BEST COMEDIENNE (Ballywillan Drama Group Trophy)

Ashley Doran	Natalie	All Shook Up	Enniscorthy Musical Society
Emma Jane Reilly	Deloris Van Cartier	Sister Act	Malahide M&D Society
Serena Salmon	Miss Sandra	All Shook Up	Coolmine Musical Society

BEST COMEDIAN (Billy Byrne/Tommy Lube Trophy)

James Dobbs	Dennis	All Shook Up	Enniscorthy Musical Society
Sean Harkin	Orin Scrivello	Little Shop of Horrors	St Patrick's Choral Society, Downpatrick
Kevin Hartnett	Chad	All Shook Up	Coolmine Musical Society

BEST CHORUS (George Moore Trophy)

Ballywillan Drama Group, Portrush	My Fair Lady
Teachers' Musical Society, Dublin	The Producers
Tralee Musical Society	Children of Eden

BEST STAGE MANAGEMENT

(Jack Singleton Trophy)

Gorey Musical Society	The Wizard of Oz	Paul Doran
Oyster Lane Theatre Group, Wexford	Footloose	Greg O'Leary
Teachers' Musical Society, Dublin	The Producers	Gerry McCann

BEST TECHNICAL (LIGHTING, SETS & SOUND)

(Christy Butler Trophy)

Ballinrobe Musical Society	My Fair Lady
Carrick-on-Suir Musical Societys	Into the Woods
Wexford Light Opera Society	Sweeney Todd

BEST VISUAL (COSTUME, PROPS, MAKE-UP & HAIR)

(Maureen Murphy Trophy)

FACT School of Performing Arts, Dublin	Cats
Fusion Theatre, Lisburn	Starlight Express
Tralee Musical Society	Children of Eden

BEST HOUSE MANAGEMENT

(Mary Kitt Trophy)

Athlone Musical Society	Jesus Christ Superstar
Castlerea Musical Society	Titanic
Shannon Musical Society	The Wiz

BEST CHORUS (Eileen Cronin Trophy)

Bravo Theatre Group, Loughrea	Ragtime
South Eastern Theatre Group, Waterford	Jesus Christ Superstar
Trinity Musical Theatre Soc., Dublin	Evita

BEST STAGE MANAGEMENT

(Margaret Doherty Trophy)

Pioneer Musical Society, Dublin	Hello, Dolly!	Joe Sinclair
Roscrea Musical Society	Little Shop of Horrors	Ian Hanrahan
Tralee Youth Musical Society	All Shook Up	Des Hurley

BEST TECHNICAL (LIGHTING, SETS & SOUND)

(Br Fitzy Trophy)

Portlaoise Musical Society	Rock of Ages
SONG, Dundalk	The Wizard of Oz
St Mary's Choral Society, Clonmel	Grease

BEST VISUAL (COSTUME, PROPS, MAKE-UP & HAIR)

(Vivian Coates Trophy)

Boyle Musical Society	Joseph and his Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
Portlaoise Musical Society	Rock of Ages
Waterford Musical Society	Fiddler on the Roof

BEST HOUSE MANAGEMENT

(Ennis Musical Society Trophy)

Ennis Musical Society	Sister Act
Fermoy Musical Society	Sister Act
Londonderry Musical Society	All Shook Up



Programme Adjudicator
Noel Dundon

BEST PROGRAMME (Pioneer Musical Society Trophy)

Athlone Musical Society
St Agnes' Choral Society, Belfast
St Mel's Musical Society, Longford

Jesus Christ Superstar
42nd Street
Sister Act

MARY KELLY AWARD

Annamaria Deehy
Rosemary Kelly
Brendan & Maureen Keohane
Derek O Connell
Phyllis Woods

Nominated by Carrick on Suir Musical Society
Nominated by Banbridge Musical Society
Nominated by St Patrick's Choral Society, Downpatrick
Nominated by Thurles Musical Society
Nominated by Dundalk Musical Society

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