



# Awards Banquet

Saturday 19th June 1999

*Zillarney  
Great Southern Hotel*

SHOW ADJUDICATOR  
Helen Roche of Co. Dublin

PROGRAMME ADJUDICATOR  
Geoff Oakley of Co. Offaly



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## ADJUDICATOR'S SPECIAL AWARD (Gavin Hughes Trophy)

✓ The Small House of Uncle Thomas • The King & I • Fortwilliam Musical Society, Belfast  
*For artistic expression of a piece of pure theatre*

Hard Times • Midas Music Company, Dublin  
*For an original piece of new Irish musical theatre*

Patricia Hartigan, Lady Macbeth's Lady in Waiting • Macbeth • Taibhdhearc na Gaillimhe  
*For an outstanding cameo performance, which serves as proof positive that there is no such thing as a small part!*

## BEST PROGRAMME (Pioneer M.S. Trophy)

✓ Ballinrobe Musical Society Oklahoma!  
Ballywillan Drama Group, Portrush Carousel  
Nenagh Musical Society Show Boat

## BEST HOUSE MANAGEMENT (Mary Kitt Trophy)

✓ Bangor Amateur Operatic Company My Fair Lady  
Newbridge Musical Society South Pacific  
✓ St Mel's Musical Society, Longford Anything Goes

## BEST LIGHTING (Christy Butler Trophy)

✓ Dublin Musical Theatre Players Hot Mikado  
Stillorgan Musical Company Godspell  
Wexford Light Opera Society Man of La Mancha

## BEST SETS (Br Fitzy Trophy)

✓ Clane Musical Society The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas  
Kilcock Musical Society My Fair Lady  
Kilkenny Musical Society Fiddler on the Roof

## BEST WARDROBE (Maureen Murphy Trophy)

✓ Fortwilliam Musical Society, Belfast The King & I  
Portrush Music Society Kiss Me Kate  
Wexford Light Opera Society Man of La Mancha

## BEST CHOREOGRAPHY (Eastern Region Trophy)

✓ Dublin Musical Theatre Players Hot Mikado  
Leixlip Musical & Variety Group Fame  
Marian Choral Society, Tuam Ham

## BEST CHORAL SINGING (Fr Foley Trophy)

✓ St Mary's Choral Society, Clonmel The Merry Widow  
Taibhdhearc na Gaillimhe Macbeth  
Thurles Amateur Musical Society Chess

**BEST FEMALE SINGER (Mary Murray-Ingram Shield)**

✓ Siobhan Fawsitt Bernie Lonergan Mairéad Weir	<i>Aldonza</i> <i>Anna Glavari</i> <i>Lady Thiang</i>	Man of La Mancha The Merry Widow The King & I	Wexford Light Opera Society St Mary's Choral Society, Clonmel Fortwilliam Musical Society, Belfast
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**BEST MALE SINGER (Sylvia Leahy Trophy)**

✓ Sean Costello Pat Doherty Brendan Payne	<i>Frederick</i> <i>Ravenol</i> <i>Tevey</i>	The New Pirates Show Boat Fiddler on the Roof	Athlone Musical Society Nenagh Musical Society De La Salle Musical Society, Waterford
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**BEST ACTRESS (Peggy O'Neill Memorial Trophy)**

✓ Siobhan Fawsitt Fiona O'Leary Helen Rankin	<i>Aldonza</i> <i>Sally</i> <i>Lily/Kate</i>	Man of La Mancha Me and My Girl Kiss Me Kate	Wexford Light Opera Society Ballinasloe Musical Society Portrush Music Society
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**BEST ACTOR (Ned Power Trophy)**

Tony O'Brien ✓ Rory Robinson Des Whelan	<i>Emcee</i> <i>Higgins</i> <i>Don Quixote</i>	Cabaret My Fair Lady Man of La Mancha	St Michael's Musical Society, Inchicore, Dublin Baldoyle Musical Society, Dublin Wexford Light Opera Society
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**BEST SUPPORTING FEMALE (Grainne McCarthy Trophy)**

✓ Tara Blair Yvonne Russell Mairéad Weir	<i>Carrie Pipperidge</i> <i>Nettie Fowler</i> <i>Lady Thiang</i>	Carousel Carousel The King & I	Dun Laoghaire Methodist Dramatic Society Dun Laoghaire Methodist Dramatic Society Fortwilliam Musical Society, Belfast
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**BEST SUPPORTING MALE (Midland Region Trophy)**

✓ Dominic deBurca Richie Hayes Paul Hughes	<i>Banquo</i> <i>Rubberface</i> <i>Gerald</i>	Macbeth Show Boat Me and My Girl	Taibhdhearc na Gaillimhe Edmund Rice Choral & Musical Society, Waterford Ballinasloe Musical Society
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**BEST COMEDIENNE (Loreto O'Connor Trophy)**

✓ Colette Cahalane Olive Donegan Therese Donohoe	<i>Miss Hannigan</i> <i>Katisha</i> <i>Bonnie</i>	Annie Hot Mikado Anything Goes	Stillorgan Youth Musical Comapny Tralee Musical Society Bank of Ireland Group Musical Society, Dublin
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**BEST COMEDIAN (Odie Keogh Trophy)**

Tom Delahunty ✓ Tony McCarthy Daithi Ryder	<i>Mr Snow</i> <i>Chief Sitting Bull</i> <i>Ali Hakim</i>	Carousel Annie Get Your Gun Oklahoma!	Dun Laoghaire Methodist Dramatic Society Naas Musical Society Ballinrobe Musical Society
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**BEST STAGE MANAGER (Jack Singleton Trophy)**

✓ Brendan Keohane  
 Gerry McCann  
 Pat McGovern

The King & I  
 Hard Times  
 Me and My Girl

Fortwilliam Musical Society, Belfast  
 Midas Music Company, Dublin  
 Ballinasloe Musical Society

**BEST CHORUS MASTER (Fintan O'Carroll Trophy)**

✓ Helen Cavanagh  
 Paddy Daly  
 Margaret Fitzgerald

H.M.S. Pinafore  
 Cabaret  
 Calamity Jane

Headford Choral Society  
 Galway Musical Society  
 Avonmore Musical Society, Arklow

**BEST CHOREOGRAPHER (Des Byrne Trophy)**

✓ Vanessa Chapman  
 Oliver Hurley  
 Wendy Mairs

Annie Get Your Gun  
 Hot Mikado  
 The King & I

Londonderry Amateur Operatic Society  
 Tralee Musical Society  
 Fortwilliam Musical Society, Belfast

**BEST MUSICAL DIRECTOR (Jerry Moran Trophy)**

✓ Lar Duffy  
 Noel Kirrane  
 Fr John O'Brien

Oliver!  
 Oklahoma!  
 Man of La Mancha

Gorey Musical Society  
 Ballinrobe Musical Society  
 Wexford Light Opera Society

**BEST DIRECTOR (Dick Meany Trophy)**

✓ John Donnelly  
 Oliver Hurley  
 Wilfie Pyper

Man of La Mancha  
 Hot Mikado  
 Anything Goes

Lisnagarvey Operatic & Dramatic Society, Lisburn  
 Wexford Light Opera Society  
 Tralee Musical Society

**SPIRIT OF AIMS AWARD (Jan Canavan Trophy)**

*For the most effective use of human, material and theatrical resources*

✓ Guys and Dolls  
 The Pajama Game  
 Joseph and His Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

Carnew Musical Society  
 Harold's Cross/Tallaght Musical Society  
 Lismore Musical & Dramatic Society

**BEST OVERALL PERFORMANCE (Yule Dugdale, Alan Dyas Trophy)**

As this category is a winner in other categories, the three nominees and winner will be announced at the Awards Banquet

Gillian Fawcett

Dairíe Ryder

✓ Des Whelan

**BEST GILBERT & SULLIVAN SHOW (Fr Black Trophy)**

✓ H.M.S. Pinafore  
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Belfast Operatic Company  
 Headford Choral Society

**BEST OVERALL SHOW (Jim Molloy/Joe Smyth Trophy)**

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 Hot Mikado  
 The King & I  
 Annie  
 Hot Mikado  
 Man of La Mancha

Dublin Musical Theatre Players  
 Fortwilliam Musical Society, Belfast  
 Stillorgan Youth Musical Company  
 Tralee Musical Society  
 Wexford Light Opera Society

# Banquet Menu

Fresh Salmon Terrine with Peppers and served with  
a light Champagne Sauce



A blend of Wild Mushrooms & Basil Soup thickened  
with Cream and topped with Croutons



Roast Sirloin of Irish Angus Beef served with  
a rich Burgundy Sauce

Roast & Parsley Potatoes with a medley of Vegetables



Themed Dessert



Freshly Brewed Tea or Filtered Coffee

Congratulations to everyone who participated in this season's AIMS Adjudication and Awards Scheme. We in First Active wish all the societies in AIMS continued success and we are delighted to be associated with the AIMS Awards.



## 1999 UNSUNG HERO AWARD

### *Nominations for the Mary Kelly Trophy*

Fada Coady	Carrick on Suir M. S.	Nominated by Fr Fergus McEvanev OFM
Bernie Collins	Edmund Rice M. S., Waterford	Nominated by Fergal Blanchfield
Barbara Creevy	St Mel's M. S., Longford	Nominated by Margaret Cowan
Valerie Egan	Patrician M. S., Galway	Nominated by Thomas Burke
Noel Kirrane	Marian M. S., Tuam	Nominated by Rosaleen O'Connor
Marie Murphy	Kilcock M. S.	Nominated by the Members of Kilcock M. S.
Collete Shaughnessy	Headford Choral Society	Nominated by Feargal Cavanagh
Mary Smith	Trim Musical Society	Nominated by Terry White
Les Taylor	Lackagh Musical Society	Nominated by Imelda Hussey
Rosemary Winkless	Dundalk Musical Society	Nominated by Terese Hearty

### PREVIOUS WINNERS

1996 - Eddie Kiernan, St. Mel's Musical Society, Longford

1997 - George Moore, Belfast Operatic Company &  
Anne Noonan, Clane Musical Society (Joint Winners)

1998 - Brigid O'Brien, St Michael's Musical Society, Inchicore

