

The Mòd 1999

Nearly fifty people competed in the 1999 Mòd, from beginning students to fluent speakers. Not all walked away with medals, but all, in a bigger sense, were winners. Ceud taing to those who made the 12th annual Mòd an outstanding event.

Mail-in Gaelic Prose Awards

The Dr. John (Iain) Cameron Awards are presented for excellence in Gaelic prose. The late Dr. Cameron, a native of Kingussie, Scotland, was the founder of ACGA.

Recent Newcomers' Reading

Children's Award: Anlara McKenzie (MD)

Adults' Award: John Tutterow (NC)

Beginner's I (*Lee Ann*)

First place: Cheryl Mitchell (MD)

Second place: Glenn Blauvelt (CO)

Beginner's II (*Dean Siud*)

First place: Steven McBride (FL)

Second place: Harry McKenzie (MD)

Intermediate (*Saighdearan*)

First place: Eve Gordon (CA)

Second place: Anne Landin (NC)

Third place: Nancy Neveln (WA)

Advanced (*An Iasad tha Neart*)

First place: Brenda Steele (NJ)

Second place: Neacal Freer (VA)

Third place: Deborah Livingstone-Lowe (Toronto, Ont)

Third place: Michael MacKay (VA)

Mail-in Original Gaelic Poetry Awards

First place: Nancy Neveln, *Cumha* (WA)
Second place: Harry McKenzie, *Triùir* (MD)
Third place: Michael MacKay, *Miannan gun Fheum* (VA)

Children's Gaelic Poetry and Song Awards

First place: Anlara McKenzie (MD)
First place: Katie Smith (Scotland)

Gaelic Songs

Slow Airs and Lullabies, Women

First place: Beatrix Whitehall (MD)
Second place: Jonquele Jones (TX)
Third place: Brenda Steele (NJ)
Third place: Kate Herr (VA)

Slow Airs and Lullabies, Men

First place: Harry McKenzie (MD)
Second place: Neacal Freer (VA)
Third place: Reverdy Wright (VA)
Third place: Michael MacKay (VA)

Work Songs

First place: Jonquele Jones (TX)
Second place: Michael MacKay (VA)

Puirt a Beul

First place: Neacal Freer (VA)
Second place: Harry McKenzie (MD)
Third place: Frances Acar (OH)

Final Songs, Women

First place: Mary Swope (DC)
Second place: Jonquele Jones (TX)
Third place: Kate Herr (VA)
Third place: Anne Landin (NC)

Final Songs, Men

First place: Harry McKenzie (MD)
Second place: Neacal Freer (VA)

Third place: Michael MacKay (VA)

Gaelic Songs, Combined Scores, Women

First place: Jonquele Jones (TX)

Second place: Kate Herr (VA)

Second place: Mary Swope (DC)

Third place: Beatrix Whitehall (MD)

Gaelic Songs, Combined Scores, Men

First place: Harry McKenzie (MD)

Second place: Neacal Freer (VA)

Third place: Michael MacKay (VA)

Gaelic Poetry Recitation

First place: Mary Swope (DC)

Second place: Neacal Freer (VA)

Third place: Katie Smith (Scotland)

Prose and Poetry Combined

First place: Neacal Freer (VA)

Special Awards

Adjudicator's Special Prize for Encouraging Others

Neacal Freer

Special Prize for the Greatest Progress over the Past Year

Michael MacKay

Sabhal Mór Ostaig Scholarship

Presented by the Gaelic College on Skye to the outstanding prose student:

Brenda Steele

The Edinburgh Crystal Decanter

Presented by Donald F. MacDonald, co-founder of the ACGA Mòd for poetry recitation, First place:

Mary Swope

The Argyll Educational Society Award

Presented to the prose and poetry overall combined scores winner:
Neacal Freer

The S.C.O.T.S. Shield

Presented by the Scottish Club of the Twin States – Vermont and New Hampshire to the women's slow song first place winner:
Beatrix Whitehall

The McComb Shield

Presented by Mr. and Mrs Richard McComb to the men's slow song first place winner:
Harry McKenzie

The Marietta MacLeod Quaich

Presented in memory of the Gaelic singer by her husband Donald F. MacDonald and her sister, Gaelic singer Kitty MacLeod to the women's overall combined solo singing scores winner:
Jonquele Jones

The Herbert P. MacNeal Memorial Award

Presented by the Clan MacNeil Society to the men's overall combined solo singing scores winner:
Harry McKenzie

The Lewis Highland Dancing Society Trophy/Leòdhas agus na Hearadh Award

Presented for best performance of a song from the Lewis and Harris traditions:
Anne Landin