

The Mòd 2005

The 2005 ACGA Mòd

Poetry:

First Place - Cathleen MacKay
Second Place - Kate Herr
Third Place - Scott Morrison

Slow Air - Men

First Place - Rudy Ramsey
Second Place - Glenn Wrightson
Third Place - Michael Mackay

Work Song - Women

First Place - Ellen Beard
Second Place - Anne Alexander

Final Song - Men

First Place - Rudy Ramsey

Overall - Men

First Place - Rudy Ramsey

Unison Singing

First Place - Michael and Jessica Mackay

Group Work Song

First Place - *The Great Lakes Gaelic Singers*

(Frances Acar, Anne Alexander, Julie Burke, Mary Ann Draves)

Second Place - *The Richmond Waulkers*

(Liam Cassidy, Kate Herr, Mike Mackay, Rudy Ramsey, Dana Snead)

Third Place - *Mac-talla*

(Harry Mackenzie, Cheryl Mitchell, Shirley and David Weaver, Joan Weiss, Glenn Wrightson)

Storytelling

First Place - Glenn Wrightson
Second Place - Liam Ó Caiside
Third Place (tie) - Michael Mackay

Slow Air - Women

First Place - Ellen Beard
Second Place - Mary Swope
Third Place - Anne Alexander

Work Song - Men

First Place - Rudy Ramsey
Second Place - Glenn Wrightson

Final Song - Women

First Place - Ellen Beard

Overall - Women

First Place - Ellen Beard

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First Place - Mary Swope

Special Awards

- Duais Sgoilearachd Sabhal Mòr Ostaig
A scholarship presented by Sabhal Mòr Ostaig, Scotland's Gaelic college on the Isle of Skye, for best combined score in prose and poetry in the Mail-in Mòd: **Cam MacRae**
- Duais Dhaibhidh Mhic Risnidh
The David MacRitchie Award for best recitation of a traditional tale in Gaelic: **Glenn Wrightson**
- Duais Iain Mhic Mhurchaidh
The John Macrae award, named for the 18th century Gaelic bard of Kintail and North Carolina, presented for best original poem in Scottish Gaelic: **Kate Herr**
- Searrag-Ghlainne Mhic Dhomhnaill
Edinburgh Crystal decanter presented by Donald F. MacDonald of Edinburgh and North Carolina for best poetry recitation at the Mòd: **Cathleen MacKay**
- Marietta MacLeod Cuach
Presented by Donald F. MacDonald in memory of his wife to best over-all female singer: **Ellen Beard**
- Herbert P. MacNeal Cuach
Presented by the Clan MacNeil to best over-all male singer: **Rudy Ramsey**
- SCOTS Shield
Presented by the Scottish Club of the Twin States for best Waulking Song Demonstration: **Great Lakes Singers**

Mòd Finals

1. Ellen Beard, Virginia
Song: "Griogal Crìdhe" Total Score: 549
2. Rudy Ramsey, Colorado
Song: "A Mhàiri Bhòidheach" Total Score: 549
3. Anne Alexander, Ohio
Song: "Uibhist mo Ghràidh" Total Score: 532
4. Mary Swope, Massachusetts
Song: "Bithidh Clann Ulaidh" Total Score: 533

Distance Learning Competition (Mail-in Mòd)

Creative Writing

Suzan Mackenzie

Original Poetry

1. Kate Herr
2. Cam MacRae
3. Scott Morrison

Drama Competition

1. *Bodaich na Cruaiche*
(Peter Clepper, Ashby McCown, Nick Freer)

Prose Translation/Recitation

New Beginners--

1. Leigh MacBride
2. Anna Bruce

Advanced Beginners--

1. Thomas Barclay

Advanced--

1. David Gressett
2. Cam MacRae
3. Scott Morrison