Award for excellence in Group Arrangement

TERMS AND CONDITIONS (group arrangement award)

Only open to groups whose members are all students at Meitheal '23 and who all abide by our rules and guidelines.

Groups must have submitted the application form

The group must be available and commit to at least one of the following:

- perform on TG4 Fleadh 2023 at Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann 2023.
- perform at Meitheal concert at Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann Mullingar, 10th Aug 2023
- to perform at University of Limerick during Spring '24 mid-term
- to perform at Dungarvan Tunefest Festival in June 2024.

PLEASE NOTE:

- The award will only be made in the event of music reaching an excellent standard.
- The decision of the adjudicators is final but subject to approval by Meitheal staff.

RULES PERTAINING TO THE GROUP AWARDS:

Groups must have five members playing melody instruments but members may use an accompaniment instrument in a secondary role. Groups must present a written list of the pieces being performed.

- There are no age criteria but the spirit of the award is to develop and reward young talent.
- Performance duration will be no more than 10 minutes.
- In considering the groups, the adjudicators will first and foremost expect consistency of pitch, rhythm, balance and tempo.
- Attention should be given to instrumentation, arrangements and to devising an interesting, distinctive musical programme. Introduction/Presentation will be taken into account
- The programme may consist of material arranged independently prior to Meitheal .
- A competitor may not appear with more than one group.
- The content of the musical programme must be in keeping with Meitheal's mission as a festival of music in the Irish Trad. idiom.
- It is an award for instrumental rather than vocal performance.

In line with GDPR, lists of 2023 students are not supplied, so when forming groups, you need to enquire amongst yourselves as to who is attending Meitheal 2023.