

THE MARY FRIEL MEMORIAL CUP (Perpetual) Awarded for Best Overall Individual Performance in the English Drama Competitions.

Special Awards-will be made for the following:

- Best Actor and Best Actress Michael Silke Cup
- Frank Browne Cup
- Setanta Cup
- Knocknarea Cup "Best moment of Theatre" Award
- Pauline McNiffe Memorial Cup



## Drama

Sunday 29th March - Wednesday 1st April, 2026  
ATU Sligo

### SECTION SECRETARY

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**Rule 21:** Entries through the entry portal on our website, [www.feis-shligigh.ie](http://www.feis-shligigh.ie) before Friday, 20th of February 2026. After this date entries may be accepted only at the discretion of The Executive Committee of Feis Shligigh.

I agree to be bound by the rules of the Feis Committee. Should I win a trophy or cup I agree to return it in good condition to the Committee on or before the closing date for entries for the following year. Please refer to syllabus prior to using the official online "entry" portal. The adjudicator will only hear competitors on the day and time specified in the Feis Programme. Competitors may enter in own age group only. Age shall be reckoned as on the **1st January 2026**.

**Age:** In all competitions no competitor may enter in more than one age group. Example one: 8-10 years means, aged 8 or 9 on 1st January 2026. Example two: 12-15 years means aged 12, 13 or 14 years on the 1st January 2026.

### Important:

**A Copy of script and Cast List must be forwarded with entry.**

1. No group may present the same play for two competitions.
2. Competing groups must provide written evidence of the Author's permission to perform play/plays to the Secretary. The Feis Committee cannot accept liability for Performing Rights.
3. Entries will not be accepted without  
(a) Script: (b) Performing Rights:  
(c) Entry Fee: (d) Cast List (e) Duration of play.

**4. The use of sets and properties must be strictly limited - Drapes and relevant props only.**

**5. A STRICT TIME RULE SHALL BE USED FOR EACH PERFORMANCE.**

A penalty of one mark will be imposed for every minute over the allocated time.

6. Scenes must be suitable and appropriate for performance before a mixed audience, which may include young children.

7. Videos / photographs can only be taken of solo performances by the child's parent and/ or guardian.



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## COMPETITIONS

### 1D. HUGHES CUP (PERPETUAL)

Senior Duologue. Competitors 16 years and over to render a portion of a scene from a play by an Irish author. \*See rule 5  
Time limit: Not to exceed 6 minutes.

**Entrance Fee:** €16.00 (€8.00 per person)

### 2D. THE MICHAEL SILKE CUP (PERPETUAL)

Competitors over 15 years to render a short play or part of a play by any standard author.  
Time limit: 40 mins. \*See rule 5

**Entrance Fee:** €20.00

### 3D. THE KNOCKNAREA CUP (PERPETUAL)

Play for competitors under 15 years.  
Time limit: 30 mins. \*See rule 5

**Entrance Fee:** €20.00

### 4D. FRANK BROWNE CUP (PERPETUAL)

Play for competitors under 13 years  
Time limit: 25 mins. \*See rule 5

**Entrance Fee:** €20.00

### 5D. THE SETANTA CUP

Play for competitors under 10 years.  
Time limit: 20 mins. \*See rule 5

**Entrance Fee:** €20.00

### 6D. THE FALLON MEMORIAL CUP

(Presented by the committee in Memory of Breege and Tommy Fallon)

Individual Character Sketch 10-12 years  
Time limit: 3 mins \*See rule 5.

**Entrance Fee:** €8.00

### 7D. THE MICK McLOUGHLIN CUP

Character Sketch 14 – 16 years. Competitors to perform, in appropriate costume, a scene from a work by any author.  
Time limit: 5 mins. \*See rule 5

**Entrance Fee:** €8.00

### 8D. THE JOE BURNS PERPETUAL CUP

Individual Character Sketch in the English language.  
Competitors 16 years and over to perform in appropriate costume, a scene from a work by any author.  
Time limit: Not to exceed 5 mins. \*See rule 5

**Entrance Fee:** €8.00

### 9D. THE R.G BRADSHAW PERPETUAL CUP

Competitors 12 to 14 years to perform, individual Character Sketch in appropriate costume, a scene from a work by any author.

Time limit: 4 mins \*See rule 5

**Entrance Fee:** €8.00

### 10D. THE McHUGH CUP (PERPETUAL)

Individual Character Sketch under 10 years.

Time limit: 3 mins. \*See rule 5

**Entrance Fee:** €8.00

### 11D. CORN SHLIGIGH (PERPETUAL)

Senior Duologue. Competitors over 16 years to render a portion of a scene from a play or story.

Time limit: Not to exceed 6 Mins. \*See rule 5

**Entrance Fee:** €16.00 (€8.00 per person)

### 12D. THE EILEEN LAMBERT MEM. AWARD

Duologue (14 -16 years)

Competitors to render a portion of a scene from a play or story. Time limit: 5 mins.

**Entrance Fee:** €16.00 (€8.00 per person) \*See rule 5

### 13D. SLIGO UNKNOWN PLAYERS PERP. CUP

Presented by Kay Guinane in memory of Dan McCormack  
**DUOLOGUE UNDER 10 YEARS**

Competitors under 10 years to render a portion of a scene from a play or story.

Time limit: 3 mins. \*See rule 5.

**Entrance Fee:** €16.00 (€8.00 per person)

### 14D. THE GRETTA HOBAN CUP

**DUOLOGUE 10 – 12 YEARS**

Competitors 10 – 12 years to render a portion of a scene from a Play or Story.

Time limit: 4 Mins. \*See rule 5

**Entrance Fee:** €16.00 (€8.00 per person)

### 15D. THE MARIE TIGHE CUP

**DUOLOGUE (12 – 14)**

Competitors 12-14 years to render a portion of a scene from a Play or Story. Time limit: 4 mins \*See rule 5

**Entrance Fee:** €16.00 (€8.00 per person)

### 16D. THE EUGENE LAMBERT TROPHY:

**FOR SOLO MIME**

For competitors 14 – 18 years. Mime of own choice. (This trophy was commissioned by Eugene Lambert, from John Behan, One of Ireland's internationality recognised sculptors.)

Time limit: 5 mins. \*See rule 5

Title should accompany entry.

**Entrance Fee:** €8.00

### 17D. ATU PRESIDENTS CUP - SOLO MIME UNDER 14 YEARS

Mime of competitor's own choice.

Time limit: 3 mins. \*See rule 5

Title should accompany entry.

**Entrance Fee:** €8.00

### 18D. YEATS ACADEMY PERP. CUP - SOLO MIME UNDER 10 YEARS

Time limit: 2 mins. Own Choice. \*See rule 5

**Entrance Fee:** €8.00

### 19D. THE WEHRLY CUP

**GROUP MIME**

**Under 20 years**

Mime of competitors own choice

Time limit: 6 mins. \*See rule 5

**Entrance Fee:** €10.00

### In Duologue Competitions

**The age of the older competitor determines category.**

## THE CATHERINE DEVANEY MEMORIAL CUP SPONSORED BY COOLERA DRAMATIC SOCIETY

**A cup will be awarded to the most promising competitor between 14 – 18 years.**

At least six candidates will be selected by the adjudicator from performances presented at this years Feis.

Each Candidate will be required to

**A.** Perform a scene from a play of literary merit that has not been performed by the competitor at this years Feis.

**B.** Have a brief conversation with the adjudicator.

### Performance will not exceed 5 minutes

The Adjudicator's decision is final.

Scenes must be suitable and appropriate for performance before a mixed audience, which may include young children.

Previous winners are not eligible to compete again.

**Important! The Deadline for entries is  
Friday, 20th February 2026**