

## One-Act Play Festival

# **Checklist for Organisers**

#### **District Festivals**

#### Spring/Summer of preceding year

- 1. Book theatre for likely maximum number of nights and appropriate times for pre-rigging and technical rehearsals.
- 2. Check charges and get in and get out times.
- 3. Book adjudicator chosen by District Committee and make any necessary accommodation arrangements.
- 4. Send contract form to adjudicator for completion.
- 5. Appoint technical team Stage management, lighting etc.

#### September/October

- 1. Establish contact with clubs as to likelihood and possible number of entries.
- 2. Confirm with club contacts that they are aware of all Festival details on the SCDA website and that they are committed to abide by the conditions.
- 3. Appoint a reserve adjudicator or reserve panel.

#### **December**

After receipt of Entry Form Stage 1 make any necessary amendments to theatre booking and arrangements re adjudicator. Pass entry fees to District Treasurer.

Issue notification of when to perform after draw has taken place.

#### **December/January**

- 1. Forward details of all technical forms to the appropriate people.
- 2. Collect scripts from clubs and forward to adjudicator and reserve adjudicator as early as possible
- 3. Send details of Festival to SCENE for the diary no later than 8<sup>th</sup> January.

#### **January**

In conjunction with the local committee and in accordance with SCDA Festival Guidelines:

- Appoint all necessary personnel, particularly Stage Director, Reserve Adjudicator, The
  appointment of the technical team should be done earlier. As should a reserve adjudicator or
  panel if they are to be sent scripts.. Adjudicator's Steward, PVG Lead Officer and FOH
  Manager.
- 2. Establish running order of entries.
- 3. Arrange appropriate dressing rooms and space for the adjudicator.
- 4. Ensure that arrangements are in hand for printing of programmes, tickets and posters.
- 5. Ensure that appropriate seats are reserved for adjudicator and reserve/s as well as guests.
- 6. Arrange for maximum publicity for the Festival. Websites, Social Media local press etc.
- 7. Check arrangements for invited guests for final night.
- 8. Appoint photographer for event.



#### **Pre-Festival**

- 1. Liaise with Stage Director re possible problems regarding safety, LX and SFX issues and storage of staging material.
- 2. Liaise with FOH Manager regarding staffing by clubs.
- 3. Liaise with theatre re catering.
- 4. Forward copy of programme to Divisional Organising Secretary as soon as possible.

#### **Festival**

- 1. Be available to deal with any problems which arise.
- 2. Check adjudicator's marks and make any appropriate deductions.
- Collect scripts from adjudicators, send winning scripts to Divisional Secretary and return others to teams.
- 4. Prepare and hand out details for next round, to the team/s progressing.
- 5. Issue adjudicator feedback forms to teams.

#### **Post-Festival**

- 1. Send results to Divisional Organising Secretary and to media@drama.scot as soon as possible.
- 2. Arrange for post-festival meeting to review procedures and to plan for following year.
- 3. Complete adjudicator feedback form on behalf of organising committee.
- 4. Report on Festival to Divisional Committee.
- 5. Send summary mark sheet to festivals@drama.scot along with adjudicator feedback form completed by organising committee.
- 6. Send adjudicator reports and summary marks to teams.



## **Divisional Festivals**

#### Spring/Summer of preceding year

- 1. Book theatre.
- 2. Check charges and get in and get out times.
- Book adjudicator chosen by Divisional Committee and make any necessary accommodation arrangements.
- 4. Send contract form to adjudicator for completion.
- 5. Appoint technical team.

#### September/October

1. Establish contact with District Secretaries regarding arrangements.

#### January

- 1. In conjunction with the Divisional Committee and in accordance with SCDA Festival Guidelines appoint all necessary personnel, particularly Stage Director, Reserve Adjudicator, Adjudicator's Steward, PVG Lead Officer and FOH Manager.
- 2. Ensure that arrangements are in hand for printing of programmes, tickets and posters.
- 3. Appoint photographer for event.

#### February/March

- 1. Receive scripts from Districts and forward to adjudicators.
- 2. Receive F1 forms from districts.
- 3. Establish running order of entries.
- 4. Send out notification form and return F1 form to teams for amendment.
- 5. Receive District programmes and forward to person producing Divisional programme.
- 6. Monitor passing of information to technical personnel.
- 7. Arrange appropriate dressing rooms and space for the adjudicator.
- 8. Arrange hospitality for competing teams.
- 9. Ensure that appropriate seats are reserved for adjudicator and reserve as well as guests.
- 10. Arrange for maximum publicity for the Festival.
- 11. Check arrangements for invited guests for final night.

#### **Pre-Festival**

- 1. Liaise with Stage Director re possible problems regarding safety, LX and SFX issues
- 2. Liaise with FOH Manager regarding staffing.
- 3. Liaise with theatre re catering.
- 4. Forward copy of programme to Scottish Final Organising Secretary as soon as possible.

#### **Festival**

- 1. Be available to deal with any problems which arise.
- 2. Check adjudicator's marks and make any appropriate deductions
- 3. Collect scripts from adjudicators, send winning scripts to Scottish Final Secretary and return others to teams
- 4. Email adjudicator feedback forms to teams
- 5. Send details for next round to the teams progressing.



#### **Post-Festival**

- 1. Send results to Final Organising Secretary and to media@drama.scot as soon as possible.
- 2. Complete adjudicator feedback form on behalf of organising committee.
- 3. Arrange for post-festival meeting to review procedures and to plan for following year.
- 4. Send summary marks to festivals@drama.scot along with adjudicator feedback form completed by organising committee.
- 5. Send adjudicator reports, and summary marks sheet to teams.



### Scottish Final

#### Spring/Summer of preceding year

- 1. Book theatre
- 2. Check charges and get in and get out times.
- 3. Book adjudicator chosen by National Committee and make any necessary accommodation arrangements.
- 4. Send contract form to adjudicator for completion.
- 5. Appoint technical team.

#### September/October

- Call meeting of Organising Committee to include National Chair, National Secretary, Chair of Festivals Committee, representatives from the other Divisions and appropriate members from the host Division/District.
- In accordance with SCDA Festival Guidelines appoint all necessary personnel, particularly Stage Director, Reserve Adjudicator, Adjudicator's Steward, PVG Lead Officer and FOH Manager.
- 3. Follow other procedures as set out in Festival Guidelines particularly admission charges and box office arrangements.
- 4. Liaise with treasurer to establish a budget; emphasise need for close financial control and need to establish maximum financial surplus.

#### March/April

In conjunction with host Division/District:

- 1. Receive scripts from Divisions and forward to adjudicators.
- 2. Receive F1 forms from Divisions.
- 3. Establish running order of entries.
- 4. Send out notification form and return F1 form to teams for amendment.
- 5. Arrange appropriate dressing rooms and space for the adjudicator.
- 6. Arrange hospitality for competing teams ensure that arrangements are in hand for printing of programmes, tickets and posters.
- 7. Ensure that appropriate seats are reserved for adjudicator and reserve as well as guests.
- 8. arrange for maximum publicity for the Festival.
- 9. check arrangements for invited guests for final night.
- 10. appoint photographer for event.

#### **Pre-Festival**

In conjunction with host Division/District

- 1. Liaise with Stage Director re possible problems regarding safety, LX and SFX issues.
- 2. Liaise with FOH Manager regarding staffing and hospitality.
- 3. Liaise with theatre re catering.

#### **Festival**

- 1. Be available to deal with any problems which arise.
- 2. Check adjudicator's marks and make any appropriate deductions.
- 3. Collect scripts from adjudicators and return to teams.
- 4. Email adjudicator feedback forms to teams.



#### **Post-Festival**

- 1. Send results to media@drama.scot as soon as possible.
- 2. Arrange for post-festival meeting to review procedures and to plan for following year.
- 3. Complete adjudicator feedback form on behalf of organising committee.
- 4. Send summary mark sheet to festivals@drama.scot along with adjudicator feedback forms completed by organising committee.
- 5. Send adjudicator reports and summary mark sheets to teams.
- 6. Collect winning scripts and send on to appropriate British Final secretary.

