

# IAYO Youth Orchestra Achievement Awards 2011

The aim of the awards is to acknowledge particular achievements by IAYO member Youth Orchestras during the calendar year 2011 which have contributed significantly to the development of these orchestras.

## ***Awards Categories***

**Development of the Youth Orchestra:** This award recognises the efforts of member orchestras in promoting the growth and development of their orchestras through any number of means such as drives to recruit and retain members, increasing the range and balance of instruments in the orchestra, developing new ways of funding the orchestra, including access programmes etc.

**Special Achievement Award:** This award is intended for innovative achievement that benefits a single youth orchestra, or the entire community of youth orchestras. Artistic projects or youth orchestra tours that are in some way imaginative or different, or represent a great achievement for a particular orchestra will be considered here.

Applications are not required to be for a specific category and judges have the option to choose which category an application fits in. All achievements will be considered in light of the age and level of development of a particular orchestra.

## **Conditions of Entry**

- Applicants must be IAYO members and must have paid their membership fee for 2011 / 12
- Projects must have been in operation or completed in 2011.
- The application should be typed. Additional materials may be submitted.
- Member orchestras that have been presented with an IAYO Achievement Award to Festivals between 2009 to 2011 inclusive are not eligible to apply.
- Applications may be made either online or posted directly to the office by Friday Friday 20th January 2012.

## ***Application Details***

Applications may be submitted by email or by post and must reach the IAYO office by the closing date of Friday 20th January 2012.

## **Please include the following information.**

- Name of IAYO Member Orchestra:
- Address
- E-Mail Address
- Name of contact person for entry
- Date of Foundation of Orchestra
- Number of Players in Orchestra
- Title of Project
- Project Description (One A4 page is sufficient but you may submit more if you wish).
- Supporting materials such as DVDs, CDs, Press Clippings etc. Links to Youtube video or digital copies of media (mp3, mp4) etc can be submitted by email. Please do not submit email attachments greater than 10Mb.

## ***Submission of Entries***

All entries should be sent to the Irish Association of Youth Orchestras by post or email at:

Civic Trust House  
50 Pope's Quay  
Cork  
[info@iayo.ie](mailto:info@iayo.ie)

Applications close at 2pm on Friday 20th January 2012. All applications and supporting materials must have been received at the IAYO office by that time.

If you have any questions regarding the awards, please contact Allin at the IAYO office on 021 421 5185.

## ***Achievement Awards 2011 Guidelines***

Give your project a title

Make sure that you have answered the following questions

- How did the idea for this project originate?
- What was the objective of the project?
- How long did it take to carry through the project?
- What were the main problems you encountered?
- When was it completed?

Describe as fully as you can

- How far did you succeed in achieving your objective?
- What will be the long-term benefits to your orchestra from the successful completion of this project?

Some examples of suitable projects are:

- A project to develop some part of your youth orchestra or organisation e.g. a recruitment drive for new players or volunteers, or ways in which involvement in the orchestra by players and volunteers is increased or enhanced.
- A project to develop the balance of the orchestra, develop a new section or develop the ability to engage with new / more difficult or different types of repertoire.
- Joint Ventures with other groups, at home and abroad.
- Performances of a particular work or works.
- Fund-raising initiatives the help grow the orchestra in the long term.
- Participation in a particular event.
- Establishing a new resource for your orchestra, e.g., library, newsletter, website
- Commissioning a new work for your orchestra.
- Residencies with artists / composers.

This list is not exhaustive. If you feel your project or development forms a landmark for your orchestra and that you deserve recognition, then contact the office to see if it is eligible.