

# SAPACS

## **SAPACS SPEECH & DRAMA SECTION 2026**

**MONDAY & TUESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> JULY**

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**Sessions to be held at the  
ANGLICAN CHURCH, 40 COLES CRESCENT,  
PAPAKURA**

**Adjudicator: TBA  
(please see website for adjudicator bios)**

*Notes for change of venue:*

*Please respect the church buildings and grounds. Do not touch or move anything that is not yours!*

*All items offered should be "family friendly" and therefore suitable to present in a church building.*

*Competitors MUST base themselves in the downstairs hall. The upstairs toilet, kitchen and reception area are solely for the use of SAPACS and Church staff and volunteers at all times.*

### **ENTRY FEES**

\$12 Individual classes. Speech Group Classes \$18. Class 107 & 112 \$20.  
Online registration fee (covers all sections) \$20 per individual competitor.

**Age:** Will be taken as at 26 June 2026. It is VERY important that you enter classes for your correct age as at the 26<sup>th</sup> June NOT at date of your section of the festival.

### **Door Entry:**

\$15 for venue hire and ancillary expenses is compulsory on your entry form. *This covers the competitor and one support person for one section.*

Door entry charges start at \$5 and \$2 per session for additional audience.  
Details in programme.

\$25 Friends Pass covers all sections and can be selected on your entry form.

### **Online Entries close:**

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. The entry form will only be available online for a short time – hopefully will be live by early April.

**Missing or Changing Information:** Please contact your convenors if you need to change or add any information about your performances once entered. **DO NOT ENTER AGAIN.**

**Time Limit:** 3 minutes unless stated otherwise.

**Payment for Entries:**

All entries must be paid for as soon as your invoice is emailed to you to be included in the programme. Please pay by internet banking to 12-3031-0793879-00 or by a credit card. In the particulars, use your **reference number** and the **participant's name**. PLEASE DECIDE ON PAYMENT METHOD **BEFORE** ENTERING, as you can't access your form once submitted and we don't want to have two forms with conflicting payment information.

**Trophies & Points:**

Competitors **MUST COMPETE** in all Classes specified for overall awards. Trophies must be signed for before leaving the venue. Please refer to Rules 16 & 19 in the General Conditions regarding points allocations and care of trophies.

**Video Recording:** NO filming is to take place during the Speech & Drama Section. Also note that filming of judge's verbal comments is **NOT** allowed in any SAPACS section.

**Prizes:**

Prizes: 12 Years & Under and Restricted - Medals First, Second and Third  
13 years and over - First \$12.00, Second \$10.00, Third \$8.00 unless otherwise stated.

Note that Classes 100 to 104 (15 Years & Over), have special prize money of 1<sup>st</sup> \$25, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$15, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$10.

Class 107 as advertised.

Any additional awards and donated prizes will be advised in the programme.

**Performer's Extracts:** Copies of Performer's Extracts (Class 107) must be sent to the Speech Convenor for forwarding to the Adjudicator two weeks before the opening date of the Festival. Failure to do so may result in disqualification. Competitors **MUST COMPETE** in at least two other Speech & Drama individual classes.

**Also Note:** A copy of pieces to be supplied to the Adjudicator on the day of the competition.

**Programme:** There is no charge for a printed programme on your entry form, as each section's timetable will be available, free of charge, as a pdf download at [www.sapacs.nz](http://www.sapacs.nz).

**Registration:** SAPACS uses **ONLY** online registration for our festival. There is no downloadable or printed entry form available, as **ALL** entries **MUST** be done via

the SAPACS website. The link should be available by early April for all competitions. Please contact [lynda@sapacs.nz](mailto:lynda@sapacs.nz) or phone 027 922 9748 if you need assistance, however, please note that SAPACS is not able to do your online entries for you.

**Entries:** The Executive reserves the right to cancel any class where insufficient numbers of entries are received. Classes may be divided where there are large numbers of entries.

**Teachers:** please get your individual students to do their own entries. Your students will all get an invoice/summary of their classes entered for you to check. If for any reason teachers need to fill out the forms for their students, you **MUST NOT put your studio's details in the competitor's entry form boxes. All forms where the competitor and teacher contact details are the same, will not be entered into the system until manually checked.** These follow ups take up precious time. We MUST be able to personally contact every individual competitor entered.

### **OVERALL AWARDS**

**J & A CUSACK CHALLENGE CUP** - Awarded for the Highest Points in Junior Section. 7 & Under 13 years (excluding Special, Group, Open & Restricted Classes). *Minimum of 3 competitors per age group to be eligible.*

**FAN FAMILY CUP 13 & Under 15 Years** – Highest Marks over 5 classes. 87, 88, 90, 96, 98

**FAN FAMILY CUP 15 Years & Over** – Highest Mark over 5 classes. 96, 98, 100, 102, 103

**VANN FAMILY CUP** – Highest Mark for Prepared Reading over all age groups

**JOANNE McALLISTER SPECIAL AWARD** - Awarded for the Highest Points in Senior Section, 13 years & Over, up to and including Class 104. (Excluding Special, Group, & Restricted Classes).

**SAPACS JUNIOR MIME TROPHY** – Highest mark over mime classes Under 13 Years

**SAPACS SENIOR MIME TROPHY** – Highest mark over mime classes 13 Years & Over

### **DOROTHY WALKER MEMORIAL TROPHY & Miniature**

Most Promising Competitor 13 & Under 15 Years

### **CURRENT SPONSORS OF THE SPEECH & DRAMA SECTION**

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#### **Major Sponsors (\$50 or more):**

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### **5 & Under 7 Years**

CLASS 50 POETRY SPEAKING Own Selection

CLASS 51 POEM or NURSERY RHYME IN COSTUME

**DOROTHY WALKER MINIATURE SHIELD** for Class 50

## **7 & Under 9 Years**

- CLASS 52 POEM Own Selection  
CLASS 53 PREPARED READING: Own Selection.  
Must not exceed one-and-a-half minutes. Book Title & Author Please  
CLASS 54 SPEAKING OF LIGHT VERSE  
CLASS 55 POETRY SPEAKING RESTRICTED  
(Refer to Rule 3 in General Conditions).  
CLASS 56 POEM OR NURSERY RHYME IN COSTUME  
CLASS 57 POEM Original Work. Poem to be read by competitor.  
(Copy of poem to be supplied for Adjudicator).  
CLASS 58 MIME – Time limit 1 min. (Theme to be set by adjudicator).  
30 seconds preparation.

**WILLIAMS FAMILY CHALLENGE CUP** for Class 55

**TOMLINSON CHALLENGE CUP** Most Points in Classes 52, 53, 54

**PATTEN CHALLENGE CUP** Most Points in Classes 54 & 67 or 61 & 67

## **9 & Under 11 Years**

- CLASS 59 POEM Own Selection  
CLASS 60 PREPARED READING: Own Selection. Must not exceed 2 minutes.  
Book Title & Author Please  
CLASS 61 SPEAKING OF LIGHT VERSE  
CLASS 62 POETRY SPEAKING RESTRICTED (Refer to Rule 3 in General  
Conditions).  
CLASS 63 POETRY SPEAKING IN COSTUME  
CLASS 64 POEM Original Work. Poem to be read by competitor.  
(Copy of poem to be supplied for Adjudicator).  
CLASS 65 MIME – Time limit 1 min. (Theme to be set by adjudicator).  
30 seconds preparation.

**SNOWDON CHALLENGE CUP** Most Points in Classes 59, 60, 61

**PATTEN CHALLENGE CUP** Most Points in Classes 54 & 67 or 61 & 67

## **Under 11 Years**

- CLASS 66 “BRING AND TELL” Tell us about something that is interesting to you.  
We would love to hear about it. 2 minutes or less.  
CLASS 67 CHARACTER RECITAL IN COSTUME: Not to exceed 3 minutes.  
Title and Character to be included on entry form.  
CLASS 68 IMPROVISATION: Dialogue and Action to be created on a theme set by  
the Adjudicator. Limit 2 minutes. 1 minute preparation.  
CLASS 110 READING AT SIGHT (to be supplied by adjudicator)

**WALTER CORNEY JUNIOR CHALLENGE CUP** for Class 66

**SAPACS TROPHY** for Class 67

**LEON, TONY & MILAN BORICH CHALLENGE TROPHY** Highest Mark Class 68 or 74

**PATTEN CHALLENGE CUP** Most Points in Classes 54 & 67 or 61 & 67

## **11 & Under 13 Years**

- CLASS 69 POEM Own Selection  
CLASS 70 PREPARED READING: Own Selection.  
Must not exceed two-and-a-half minutes.  
Book Title & Author to be included on entry form.

- CLASS 71 SPEAKING OF LIGHT VERSE
- CLASS 72 READING FROM THE BIBLE:  
Own Selection of Version and Reading. Not to exceed 2 minutes
- CLASS 73 PREPARED TALK. Own selection of topic. Visual Aids if desired. Not to exceed 3 minutes. Notes may used.
- CLASS 74 IMPROVISATION: Dialogue and Action to be created on a theme set by The Adjudicator. Limit 2 minutes. 1 minute preparation.
- CLASS 75 POETRY SPEAKING RESTRICTED  
(Refer to Rule 3 in General Conditions).
- CLASS 76 READING AT SIGHT (To be supplied by Adjudicator)
- CLASS 77 POEM Original Work. Poem to be read by competitor.  
(Copy of poem to be supplied for Adjudicator).
- CLASS 78 CHARACTER RECITAL IN COSTUME: Not to exceed 4 minutes. Title and Character to be included on entry form.
- CLASS 79 POETRY SPEAKING IN COSTUME. Own Selection.
- CLASS 111 MIME. Created on a theme set by adjudicator. Limit 2 minutes. 30 seconds prep.

**BEVERLEY SCOBIE CHALLENGE CUP** for Class 72.

**WALTER CORNEY INTERMEDIATE CHALLENGE CUP** for Class 73.

**FRANK BALLE FAMILY TROPHY** Highest Mark in Classes 76, 92, 104

**McBETH CHALLENGE CUP** Most Points in Classes 69, 70, 71, 72

**LEON, TONY & MILAN BORICH CHALLENGE TROPHY** Highest Mark Class 68 or 74

**JULIE COLEMAN TROPHY** for Class 78

**J & A CATO CHALLENGE CUP** Highest Mark from Classes 77 or 95 or 108

**KAREN O'DONNELL CHALLENGE CUP FOR DRAMA**

Highest Aggregate Marks Classes 78 & 79

**GROUP CLASSES** – Note: Entry Fee per item is \$18 (or \$20 – see rules), Please choose ONE COMPETITOR to enter your group on an individual form.

**Drama Classes** – 81, 82, 83 SKETCH OR EXTRACT FROM A PLAY

*Two or more characters in costume except where shown.*

CLASS 81 10 years & Under. Limit 5 minutes.

CLASS 82 13 years & Under. Limit 6 minutes.

CLASS 83 Open Age group. Limit 8 minutes.

CLASS 85 **GROUP IMPROVISATION – Under 13 Years 1<sup>st</sup> Prize - \$15**  
2 or more competitors. Dialogue and action to be created on a theme set by the Adjudicator. Limit 3 minutes. 1 minute preparation.

CLASS 86 **GROUP IMPROVISATION – 13 years & Over 1<sup>st</sup> Prize \$25**  
2 or more competitors. Dialogue and action to be created on a theme set by the Adjudicator. Limit 3 minutes. 1 minute preparation.

**SUELLA HANSEN DRAMA TROPHY** Highest Mark Class 81 or 82

**SAPACS CHALLENGE SHIELD FOR DRAMA** for Class 83

### **13 and under 15 years**

- CLASS 87 POEM Own selection.
- CLASS 88 PREPARED READING NEW ZEALAND AUTHOR Own Selection. Not to exceed 3-and-a-half minutes. Title and Author to be included on entry form.
- CLASS 89 LIGHT VERSE
- CLASS 90 CHARACTER RECITAL IN COSTUME Not to exceed 5 minutes. Title and Character to be included on entry form.
- CLASS 91 POETRY SPEAKING RESTRICTED  
(Refer to Rule 3 of General conditions).
- CLASS 92 READING AT SIGHT (To be supplied by Adjudicator)

**UNIVERSAL BOOKSHOP CHALLENGE TROPHY** for Class 88

**TOM WALKER MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR DRAMA** for Class 90

**DOROTHY WALKER CHALLENGE CUP & Miniature**

Most Points in Classes 87, 88, 89, 90

**FRANK BALLE FAMILY TROPHY** Highest Mark from Classes 76, 92, 104

### **13 Years and Over**

- CLASS 93 PREPARED SPEECH. Not to exceed 4 minutes. Notes may be used.
- CLASS 94 READING FROM THE BIBLE. Own selection of version/reading.  
Limit 3 mins.
- CLASS 95 POEM. Original Work. To be read by Competitor.  
Copy for Adjudicator please.
- CLASS 96 IMPROVISATION. Dialogue and action to be created on a theme set by the Adjudicator. Limit 3 minutes. 30 seconds preparation.
- CLASS 97 CONVERSATION CLASS.  
Conducted as group discussion with individual marks.
- CLASS 98 MIME. Created on a theme set by Adjudicator. Limit 2 mins.  
30 seconds preparation.
- CLASS 105 SELECTION FROM SHAKESPEARE.  
Extract from any play by Shakespeare.  
Not costumed. Solo entries. Limit 4 mins. Title /Character on entry form.
- CLASS 106 SPEAKING OF NEW ZEALAND VERSE. Own Selection.
- CLASS 108 POETRY AND MUSIC. Spoken poetry accompanied by Competitor's own choice of music. Live or recorded. With an accompanist if preferred.
- CLASS 109 IMPROMPTU SPEECH. Topic to be selected by the Adjudicator.  
Limit 3 minutes. One minute preparation.

**WALTER CORNEY SENIOR CHALLENGE CUP** for Class 93

**K & J NIELSEN CHALLENGE CUP** for Class 94

**JANET PHILLIPS CHALLENGE CUP** for Class 97

**J & A CATO CHALLENGE CUP** Highest Mark from Classes 77 or 95 or 108

**SAPACS TROPHY** for Class 105

**CROUDIS-BONNIFACE FAMILY CHALLENGE CUP** for Class 108

### **15 Years and Over**

- CLASS 99 Poem Restricted
- CLASS 100\* SONNET. Own Selection.
- CLASS 101\* LIGHT VERSE. Own Selection.

- CLASS 102\* SELECTION FROM 19<sup>th</sup> CENTURY WRITER: Own selection to be read. Text may be edited. Not to exceed 4 mins. Title on entry form please.
- CLASS 103\* CHARACTER RECITAL IN COSTUME. Own Selection. Presentation to be acted in costume. Not to exceed 6 mins. Title and Character on entry form please.
- CLASS 104\* READING AT SIGHT (To be supplied by Adjudicator).
- CLASS 107 PRESENTATION OF LITERATURE. Solo. Each competitor to present a 15 minute programme of Verse, Prose and Characterisation of a contrasting nature. Introduced by the competitor with linking commentary. Verse, Comments and Characterisation to be memorized. Other as preferred. Simple properties may be used.
- Competitor must enter and compete in at least one other Speech & Drama Classes. Entry Fee \$20.**
- Class 107 - Special Prize Money:  
1<sup>st</sup> Place - \$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$50, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - \$25

\* Note that Classes 100 to 104 (15 Years & Over), have special prize money of 1<sup>st</sup> \$25, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$15, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$10.

**DOROTHY WALKER DRAMA SHIELD & Miniature** for Class 103

**JET SET CHALLENGE SHIELD** for Class 107

**R CORNEY CHALLENGE CUP** Most Points in Classes 100, 101, 102, 103

**ANDREW KILLICK CHALLENGE TROPHY** Highest Mark from Classes 102 or 105

**FRANK BALLE FAMILY TROPHY** Highest Mark from Classes 76, 92, 104

**J & A CATO CHALLENGE CUP** Highest Mark from Classes 77 or 95 or 108

**IMPORTANT: TO THOSE COMPETITORS WHO HOLD CUPS OR TROPHIES**

Please return the trophies, engraved with your name as the 2025 winner at least 6 weeks prior to the commencement of your section. These can be returned to the convenor of your section or someone on our "Drop Off" list. This list can be obtained from [lynda@sapacs.nz](mailto:lynda@sapacs.nz).

**PLEASE DO NOT POST TROPHIES.** For a courier address, please also contact Lynda.