***The Association of English Medium Secondary Schools***

**2023 English Drama Fest**

**FACT SHEET *(updated)***

**Organizer**

The Association of English Medium Secondary Schools

**Supporting Organizations & Advisors**

NET Section, EDB

**OBJECTIVES**

* To promote and enhance students’ interest and proficiency in English in a fun and active way
* To provide an opportunity for students in EMI schools to foster an inter-school exchange in theatre art

**TIMELINE**

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| **Date** | **Event** |
| Wed, 26 October 2022 | Briefing at True Light Girls’ College after AEMSS AGM |
| Thursday, 27 April 2023 | Shakespeare Drama Competition at Heep Yunn School |
| Tuesday, 9 May 2023 | Modern Drama Competition (I) at SKH Tsang Shiu Tim Secondary School, N.T. |
| Wednesday, 10 May 2023 | Modern Drama Competition (II) at St. Stephen’s Girls’ College, HK Island |
| Monday, 22 May 2023 | Modern Drama Competition (III) at La Salle College, Kowloon |
| Mid/Late-2nd term (tbc) | Prize Presentation and Outstanding Performances |

**INSTRUCTIONS**

* Schools may choose to participate in the Modern Drama **and/or** Shakespearean Drama.
* **Modern Drama**: Schools may choose to write an original play or adapt one.
* **Shakespearean Drama**: Schools will perform a set extract from a selected Shakespearean play (either in the original or modern language).
* Duration of each play MUST NOT exceed 15 minutes.
* Schools that over-run will NOT be considered for the Outstanding Performance Award.
* Host schools will provide basic furniture (chairs, desks, notice boards).
* Schools should prepare their own simple props and costumes.
* There is no limit to the number of actors/actresses.
* Schools are encouraged to use a computer for sound effects. If required, ONE pre-recorded CD is allowed.
* No electronic pre-set lighting is allowed.
* Use of computer and projection is NOT allowed except for sound effects.

**APPLICATION**

* The entry fee is $1000 per school.
* Please complete the ENTRY FORM, which can be downloaded from our website at [www.emi.edu.hk](about:blank). Make the cheque payable to ‘**The Association of English Medium Secondary Schools**’.
* Email the completed Entry Form to Mrs Esther Pak at [emidramafest2023@gmail.com](about:blank) for priority allocation of venue/date.
* Next, send the Entry Form and Entry Fee of $1000 by post to Ms Maggie Chau, Principal of St. Stephen’s Girls’ College, 2 Lyttelton Road, Hong Kong.
* **Deadlines:**
  + **Drama Fest Entry (by email): 5 January 2023**
  + **Submission of Entry Form & Fee (by post): 12 January 2023**

\*Places for the Drama Fest are limited.  Allocation will be on a first-come-first-served basis.

**PRIZES**

* All participants (actors and backstage helpers) will get certificates of participation.
* The following prizes will be awarded for each competition session:
* Modern Drama Session
  + OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE (to perform in the Prize Presentation Ceremony)
  + OUTSTANDING PERFORMER (up to 6 awardees in sessions with 8 schools)
  + OUTSTANDING TEAMWORK
  + OUTSTANDING CREATIVITY (in the use of props and costumes)
  + OUTSTANDING DIRECTING
  + OUTSTANDING SCRIPT (original or adapted)
  + OUTSTANDING SPOKEN ENGLISH
* Shakespearean Drama Session
  + OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE (to perform in the Prize Presentation Ceremony)
  + OUTSTANDING PERFORMER (up to 6 awards in a session with 8 schools)
  + OUTSTANDING TEAMWORK
  + OUTSTANDING CREATIVITY (in the use of props and costumes)
  + OUTSTANDING DIRECTING
  + OUTSTANDING SPOKEN ENGLISH

*For more details, please visit our website* [*www.emi.edu.hk*](about:blank) *or contact* **Mrs Esther Pak at** [**emidramafest2023@gmail.com**](about:blank)**.**