

# The British and International **Federation of Festivals** for Music, Dance and Speech

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## **Benefits of Federation Membership**

As a Federation Adjudicator member, you will benefit from the following:

- **Professional Exposure**

Federation Adjudicators have gone through a rigorous application process and festivals know that they are employing adjudicators of the highest standard.

- **Inclusion in the Federation's Directory of Members**

A Directory of Members is published each year. This contains names, addresses and relevant details of Adjudicator members and Federation Festivals. The Directory is issued free of charge to all affiliated festivals and Adjudicator/Accompanist members. It is considered by festivals to be a vital tool when choosing adjudicators. New members are included in the edition immediately following their acceptance and many festivals actively look for recently appointed adjudicators to ensure variety in their programmes.

- **Federation Website**

Federation adjudicators' biographies and photos are published on the Federation website which provides a platform for additional professional exposure.

All festival members are featured on the interactive map and may also advertise their events in the Federation's online calendar.

- **Annual Conference**

All Federation members are invited to attend the Federation's Annual Conference. The conference is held in a different part of the country each year and gives members a chance to meet up, share ideas and take part in an educational and entertaining weekend programme of talks and sessions.

- **Regional / Country Forum Meetings**

All Federation members are invited to attend Forum meetings held within their region / country.

- **Regional Championships**

- **Network of UK and International Festivals**

- **Social Media**

The Federation is active on Facebook and Twitter. We invite all adjudicator members to join the private group on Facebook and use this space to share tips, experiences, and help each other out. We are able to share festivals' posts, events and important information online, thus aiding in increasing your reach and visibility.

- **Membership of a Professional Body**
- **To meet and work with like-minded professionals**

**Membership gives you security through:**

- Support from Festivals House and Adjudicators Council
- A robust complaints procedure
- Recommended fee structure
- Helpline
- Adjudicator Support and Mentoring Network
- High quality standard attributable to Federation Adjudicators
- Moderation and Standardisation sessions with peers.
- Adjudicator Code of Practice

**Terms and Conditions of Membership**

Adjudicators are required to pay an annual subscription to remain as an Adjudicator member of the Federation. The subscription is requested at the end of the year for the following January to December period.

All members are required to sign the Effective Adjudication – Code of Practice which sets down the principles associated with effective adjudication.