

1991 Festival Awards Winners - Newport International
Festival of Musical Theatre.

The Newport International Festival Trophy was won by the Savoyards Appreciation Society, West Yorkshire with their production of "The Mikado" - 149 Marks.

The First Runner-Up Trophy was won by the Carmarthen & District Youth Opera for "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" - 120 Marks.

The Second Runner-Up Trophy was won by the Hereford Amateur Operatic Society for "Man of La Mancha" - 116 Marks.

Best Musical Director for the second successive year was James Newby of the Savoyards Appreciation Society who conducted "The Mikado". Other awards won by this Society were to Ian Smith for Best Producer. Best Female Singer for the second successive year was Joan Rawstron who played "Yum Yum" and they also won the trophy for the Best Costumed show .

Best Male Performer was Phill Poston who played Cervantes in the Hereford AOS's "Man of La Mancha". Stephanie Austwick who played Aldonza in the same production was judged the Best Female Performer and the Cast of "La Mancha" shared the award for the Best Stage Management.

The Best Male Singer trophy was awarded to Mark Evans of the Carmarthen & District Youth Opera who played Adam Pontipee in "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" - another second time winner as was Mark Williams who played Gideon Pontipee the Best Supporting Male player. Michael Wray won the Best Choreographer Trophy for the same show.

Aidan Faughey the Major General in "Pirates of Penzance" as played by D.A.Y.M.S. was awarded the Best Comedian trophy.

Young Duane Worgan who played Patrick Dennis in the Tredegar AOS's production of "Mame" won the Best Under 21 Award.

Nicki Williams who played Anybody's in "West Side Story" for Rhos Aelwyd AOS won the award for the Best Supporting Female Performer.

Societies who are interested in competing at this prestigious Festival in the last week of May 1992 are invited to write to the Festival's Executive Secretary, Mr E.W.J.Lane, "Badgers Wood" Pentrepoeth Road, Bassaleg, Newport, Gwent. NP1 9LN without delay.