



General Information &  
Award Categories



## 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

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- Nominees must be current Gymnastics Ireland members – membership numbers of nominees must be provided with submission of nomination.
- Nominations are to be submitted by Gymnastics Ireland members/member clubs only, with the exception of awards as nominated/appointed by the awarding panel/Gymnastics Ireland management. Membership numbers of those nominating must also be provided with submission of nomination.
- Nominations will only be accepted via Survey Monkey with all requested information completed.
- The factors included in the award categories description should be addressed when completing nominations.
- Nominations should be for the calendar year 2022.
- Nominations are considered & selected by the Gymnastics Ireland awarding panel. Certain awards will be by direct appointment by the panel based on specific achievements and others will be considered from a shortlist of nominees submitted by the membership. The awarding method is defined for each category as per section 2 'Award Categories' in this document.
- Some winners will automatically be announced, but in other cases and based on the calibre of entries, Gymnastics Ireland may decide to shortlist to 3 finalists, with the winner being announced on the night.
- Gymnastics Ireland will invite at its cost all winners, which will include in the case of individual winners two tickets (winner + 1 guest ticket) and in the case of clubs, two tickets per club. Additional tickets on a first come, first served basis, can then be purchased whereby, for example, a club will have the opportunity to take an additional 8/10 tickets thereby securing a full table of 10/12 persons at the evening (ticket prices TBC shortly).

- Timeframe...
  - Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October: Award categories and nomination process information released
  - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October: Deadline for nominations
  - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November: Announcement of winners/shortlisted finalists
  - Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December: National Awards Evening



## 2. AWARDS CATEGORIES

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### *2.1 Awards open for nomination by membership*

#### **GymSTART Coach of the Year**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'GymSTART Coach of the Year' award for 2022 will be awarded to an individual who has demonstrated key skills and ability in the development and running of a solid participation-based club programme. This award is open to nomination from the membership.

Factors to consider in completing nominations include:

- Type of programme
- Achievement(s) during calendar year relevant
- Significance of achievement(s)

#### **National Series Coach of the Year**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'National Series Coach of the Year' award for 2022 will be awarded to an individual who has demonstrated key skills and ability in the development and running of a solid development/competitive based club programme. This award is open to nomination from the membership.

Factors to consider in completing nominations include:

- Type of programme
- Achievement(s) during calendar year relevant
- Significance of achievement(s)

#### **GymABLE Coach of the Year**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'GymABLE Coach of the Year' award for 2022 will be awarded to an individual who has demonstrated key skills and ability in the development and running of a solid inclusive club programme. This award is open to nomination from the membership.

Factors to consider in completing nominations include:

- Type of programme
- Achievement(s) during calendar year relevant
- Significance of achievement(s)

#### **GymSTART Club of the Year**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'GymSTART Club of the Year' award will go to a club that has demonstrated a successful and engaging club programme throughout 2022.

Factors to consider in completing nominations include:

- Summary of programme
- Examples of programme engagement



- Achievement(s) over the period
- Significance of achievement(s)

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Factors to consider in completing nominations include:

- Summary of programme
- Examples of programme engagement
- Achievement(s) over the period
- Significance of achievement(s)

## **GymABLE Club of the Year**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'GymABLE Inclusive Club of the Year' award will go to a club that has demonstrated a successful and engaging inclusive club programme throughout 2022.

Factors to consider in completing nominations include:

- Demonstration of inclusivity of programme (e.g. programme focusing on inclusion related to special needs, gender, race, age etc...)
- Links with relevant external organisations promoting inclusivity
- Achievement(s) over the period
- Significance of achievement(s)

## **GymSTART Gymnast of the Year**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'GymSTART Gymnast of the Year' award for 2022 will be awarded to an individual who has excelled throughout the year within this programme in their respective club. This award is open to nomination from the membership.

Factors to consider in completing nominations include:

- Achievement(s) during calendar year relevant
- Significance of achievement(s)

## **National Series Gymnast of the Year**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'National Series Gymnast of the Year' award for 2022 will be awarded to an individual who has excelled throughout the year in both training and national competition. This award is open to nomination from the membership.

Factors to consider in completing nominations include:

- Achievement(s) during calendar year relevant
- Significance of achievement(s)



## **GymABLE Gymnast of the Year**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'GymABLE Gymnast of the Year' award for 2022 will be awarded to an individual who has excelled throughout the year with their respective club. This award is open to nomination from the membership.

Factors to consider in completing nominations include:

- Achievement(s) during calendar year relevant
- Significance of achievement(s)

## **Unsung Hero**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'Unsung Hero' award for 2022 will be an individual who makes a massive contribution to the sport of gymnastics at club or national level and that goes above & beyond to put back into the sport. The recipient of this award may be a club staff or board/committee member, coach, judge, helper, etc.

Factors to consider in completing nominations include:

- Achievement(s) demonstrating as above
- Significance of achievement(s)

## **Club of the Year**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'Club of the Year' award for 2022 will be a club that has demonstrated an innovative and successful club operation across a range of GI programmes (GymSTART, GymABLE, National Series etc.) throughout the year.

Factors to consider in completing nominations include:

- Summary of club programme
- Engagement with national programmes (e.g. GymSTART, National Series etc.)
- Achievement(s) over the period
- Significance of achievement(s)



## *2.2 Awards made by direct appointment*

### **Gymnast of the Year**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'Gymnast of the Year' award for 2022 will be awarded to an individual who has hit a standout performance or achieved a historic result within the calendar year. This award is made by direct appointment by the awarding panel based on submissions by Gymnastics Ireland management and is not open to nomination.

### **Rising Star**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'Rising Star' award for 2022 will be an individual under 18 years of age who has hit a standout performance or achieved a historic result within the calendar year that demonstrated ability to deliver significant international results for Ireland at senior international level in years to come. This award is made by direct appointment by the awarding panel based on submissions by Gymnastics Ireland management and is not open to nomination.

### **Coach of the Year - International**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'Coach of the Year – International' award for 2022 will be an individual who has coached a gymnast who has delivered key international results or been a key player in producing standout international results within the calendar year. This award is made by direct appointment by the awarding panel based on submissions by Gymnastics Ireland management and is not open to nomination.

### **Young Coach of the Year - National**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'Young Coach of the Year – National' award for 2022 will be an individual who is demonstrating skill and potential as a coach within the national system. This award is made by direct appointment by the awarding panel based on submissions by Gymnastics Ireland management and is not open to nomination.

### **Special Recognition**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'Special Recognition' awards for 2022 will be awarded to individuals who have delivered a service to the sport that deserves special recognition. These awards will be made by direct appointment by the awarding panel based on submissions by Gymnastics Ireland management and are not open to nomination.



## **Club Governance**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'Club Governance' award for 2022 will be awarded to a club that has demonstrated the implementation of good governance principals to ensure the ongoing development of their club. This award is made by direct appointment by the awarding panel based on submissions by Gymnastics Ireland management and is not open to nomination.

## **Club Social & Digital Content**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'Club Social & Digital Media Content' award for 2022 will be awarded to a club that has demonstrated successful member engagement and promotion of club activities through the use of social/digital media within the calendar year. This award is made by direct appointment by the awarding panel based on submissions by Gymnastics Ireland management and is not open to nomination.

## **Safe Club of the Year**

The Gymnastics Ireland 'Safe Club of the Year' award for 2022 will be a club that has demonstrated the successful implementation of policy, procedure, and systems to provide a safe club environment. This award is made by direct appointment by the awarding panel based on submissions by Gymnastics Ireland management and is not open to nomination.

**Deadline for nominations is Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

Nominations are to be submitted online via Survey Monkey ([click here](#))

