



# MÒD

## Rules of the New York City Tartan Week Mòd

### ENTRY

- 1** All competitors must be available to appear at the competition, in person, between the hours of **1pm and 3pm on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2024** at the NYC Tartan Week Mòd venue. This is **The Tailor Bar & Kitchen**, 505 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, New York, NY 10018. It is the responsibility of the entrants to arrange their own travel and accommodation to attend the event.
- 2** All entries must be submitted via [www.nyctartanweek.org/mod](http://www.nyctartanweek.org/mod) by **midnight Friday 4 March, 2024**.
- 3** Each entry must indicate which song they intend to perform.
- 4** All own choice music must be submitted online by **midnight Friday 4 March, 2024**. Any entries received in any other form will not be accepted.
- 5** For all competitors submitting own choice music, a copy of the song lyrics (in Gaelic), a copy of the sheet music and a translation of the song lyrics must be provided. **These three documents should be emailed in PDF format, and marked with the competitor's name**, to [mod@nyctartanweek.org](mailto:mod@nyctartanweek.org) by midnight Friday 22 March, 2024.
- 6** Competitors must give consent to being photographed, recorded and filmed for marketing, promotion and media purposes of the event.
- 7** Note that there is an age restriction – all competitors must be 16 years of age, or older on 4 April, 2024. If competitors are under the age of 21, they must be accompanied by an adult as the venue is a family friendly licensed Bar & Kitchen.
- 8** No accompaniment is allowed – all songs must be sung unaccompanied.
- 9** The prescribed pieces may be sung in any key.
- 10** Competitors may not refer to music or words during performance.
- 11** The version of the melody provided on prescribed sheet music should be sung as written but the rhythms of the notes can be sung taking account of Gaelic stresses and Gaelic dialect variations.
- 12** Competitors should notify the organizers as soon as possible if they withdraw from the competition.
- 13** Adjudicators' decisions are final.
- 14** First prize winner of the competition will be asked to take part in press and promotion following the event. They will receive a **grand prize of \$250** sponsored by the New York Caledonian Club, and will also be invited to perform at the at the New York Caledonian Club Pre-Parade Ceilidh, **Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm**, and other singing opportunities. They will also receive a **Weebox** plus a **12-months subscription to Weebox**, sponsored by Weebox.
- 15** There is no strict dress code for the Mòd, however entrants are of course encouraged to dress smartly and remember that it is NYC Tartan Week – so, tartan is encouraged!

Any other information on rules or changes to rules will be communicated via the website [www.nyctartanweek.org/mod](http://www.nyctartanweek.org/mod).

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