

# Award Categories

## Cork Celebrates Lifelong Learning Awards 2024



- **Early Years Award:** This group award recognises Lifelong Learning initiatives, projects and best practice activities that enhance and promote lifelong learning involving Children aged 0 – 5 years. This could include, but is not limited to: building confidence, learning through play, working with others, overcoming significant barriers to learning and contribution to community.
- **Primary Level Award:** This group award recognises Lifelong Learning initiatives, projects and best practice activities that enhance and promote lifelong learning and have positive impact on the lives of primary level children up to 6th class. This could include, but is not limited to: building confidence, working with others, learning through play, overcoming significant barriers to learning and contribution to community.
- **Secondary School Award:** This group award recognises Lifelong Learning initiatives, projects and best practice activities that enhance and promote lifelong learning and have positive impact on the lives of secondary level children. This could include, but is not limited to: building confidence, working with others, learning by doing, overcoming significant barriers to learning, contribution to community and society.
- **Further Education Award:** This group award recognises Lifelong Learning initiatives, projects and best practice activities that enhance and promote lifelong learning in Cork. The award is open to initiatives and projects in 2023/2024 in Further Education Colleges and training centers. These could include but are not limited to overcoming significant barriers to learning, career advancement/ progression, contribution to community and society.
- **Higher Education Award:** Both group awards recognise (MTU, UCC) Lifelong Learning initiatives, projects and best practice activities that enhance and promote lifelong learning in Cork. The award is open to initiatives and projects in 2022/2023 in Higher Education Colleges including MTU and UCC. These could include but are not limited to: overcoming significant barriers to learning, career advancement/ progression, innovation, cross disciplinary projects, contribution to community and society.
- **Adult Ed : Community Education Award:** This group award recognises Lifelong Learning initiatives, projects and best practice activities that enhance and promote lifelong learning in Cork. The award is open to initiatives and projects in 2022/2024 in Community based learning centers including but are not limited to Adult literacy centres, centres offering Community Education for adults, Development projects, Sports organisations . These could include but are not limited to: building confidence, overcoming significant barriers to learning, contribution to community and society.
- **Adult Ed : Workplace Learning Initiative Award:** Three group awards (CETB, MTU, UCC) recognise Lifelong Learning initiatives, projects and best practice activities in the workplace that enhance and promote lifelong learning in Cork. The award is open to organisations and individuals who have demonstrated innovation and endeavour in workplace learning. This could include but is not limited to: career advancement/ progression, building confidence, working as part of a team, overcoming significant barriers to learning, contribution to the workplace, community and society.
- **Youth in Community Learning Award:** This group award recognises Lifelong Learning initiatives, projects and best practice activities that enhance and promote lifelong learning in Cork. The award is open to youth initiatives and projects in 2023/2024 in Community based settings, including but not limited to youth centres offering learning activities for young people, Development projects and sports groups. These could include but are not limited to: building confidence, overcoming significant barriers to learning, contribution to community and society, and intergenerational initiatives.
- **Active Retired Lifelong Learning Award :** This individual or group award recognises Lifelong Learners, who have engaged in and inspired others through their lifelong learning activities. The award is open to people who are enjoying retirement and are actively involved in lifelong learning. This could include, but is not limited to: building confidence, working with others, overcoming significant barriers to learning, personal interest, Health & Wellbeing, contribution to community and society.
- **Exceptional Endeavor Award:** This individual or group award recognises people who have responded in a positive way to challenges they have faced and shown exceptional resilience in availing of learning opportunities. The award is open individuals and groups who have shown great motivation, determination and/or enthusiasm for lifelong learning. This could include, but is not limited to: building confidence, working with others, overcoming significant barriers to learning, career advancement/ progression, and contribution to society.
- **Inspirational Lifelong Learner:** This individual award is reserved for people who in the view of the Cork Learning City committee have made an exceptional contribution to Lifelong Learning in their communities and in Cork.

**Closing Date 5pm on Friday 18th October, 2024**

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