

All Island English Buddhist Short Drama Competition – 2026

Dear Rev, Sir, Madam,

The All-Island English Buddhist Short Drama Competition, organized by the Colombo YMBA, will be held in October 2026.

- 02) Accordingly, applications are called from Schools, Dhamma Schools and International Schools island-wide, Sri Lanka.
- 03) **Terms and Conditions**
 - a) The Drama to be based on Buddhist Jathaka Katha whilst maintaining its original theme.
 - b) Stage time of a short drama shall not exceed 30 minutes.
 - c) All performers should be within the age 06 to 18 years as at 01st October 2026.
- 04) **The Competition**
 - a. The Competition consists of two rounds, “Preliminary” and the “Final Round”.
 - b. Out of all dramas staged at the Preliminary round, 10 dramas will be selected for the final round for consideration.
 - c. Out of those 10 dramas, only the best 04 dramas will be staged at the Grand Finale.
- 05) The performers at both levels will be adjudicated by a competent panel of experts.
- 06) **Venue**
 - a. Preliminary rounds will be held in Colombo/ Other Areas, depending on the number of dramas.
 - b. The Final Round will be held at the YMBA Main Hall, Colombo.
- 07) **Timeline**
 - a. Applications to be forwarded before 15th June 2026.
 - b. Preliminary rounds will be held in the months of July, August and September.
 - c. Final round will be held in the month of October 2026

08) **Awards and Prizes**

The following are the awards of the competition.

- 1st place - Rs.75,000.00 and Trophy
- 2nd place - Rs.65,000.00 and Trophy
- 3rd place - Rs.60,000.00 and Trophy
- 4th place - Rs.55,000.00
- 5th -10th place - Rs.15,000.00 for each troupe
- Best actor - Rs.5,000.00 and Trophy
- Best actress - Rs.5,000.00 and Trophy
- Best Director/Trainer - Rs.10,000.00
- Rs.5,000.00 will be awarded for students with extra talent whose dramas are not selected for the Grand finale.

09) All application to be certified by the Head of the Institution.

10) **To be sent to**

Deputy General Manager
Colombo Young Men's Buddhist
Association,
No. 70, D.S. Senanayake Mw,
Colombo 08.

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11) For further inquires contact
Ms. Kavisha – 071 3820297

12) The applications are also available at www.colomboymba.org

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Deputy General Manager

Colombo Young Men's Buddhist Association

Application for All Island English Buddhist Short Drama Competition

- 1. Name of the institution:
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- 2. Address:
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- 3. Phone number:
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- E mail:
- 5. Details of the Coordinator
- Name:
- Phone number:
- Email:
- 6. Name of the Drama:
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- 7. Name of the Jataka Story Based:
- 8. Name of the Director:

I hereby certify that the above given information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Date

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Signature of
Head of the Institution