Meetings Industry Association reveals 2022 miaList finalists



The Meetings Industry Association's (mia) has unveiled the finalists for its prestigious 2022 miaList, after receiving a record-breaking number of nominations.

Now in its twelfth year, the coveted list recognises inspiring individuals and teams who continually go the extra mile and play a pivotal role in making their business meetings and events organisations so successful.

The 2022 miaList **individual** finalists for the x10 positions are:

- Alistair Graham, emc3
- Andrew Syson, The Studio
- Charlotte Podlewska, Conference Leeds
- Clare Barnbrock, Edgbaston Park Hotel & Conference Centre
- Georgia Suttie, Agiito
- Gerald Victoire, Richmond Hill Hotel
- Graham Proctor, Sodexo NUFC
- Katie Niland, The Belfry Hotel & Resort

- Lucy Anderson, Sodexo Live at St James' Park
- Luke Balcombe, Crowne Plaza Newcastle - Stephenson Quarter
- Mark Collins, Manchester Central
- Michael Ward, Crowne Plaza Stratford Upon Avon
- Mike Palmer, The Studio
- Mike Large, Pavilions of Harrogate
- Simon Willis, Yarnfield Park - The Venues Collection

New for this year, the 2022 miaList will feature dedicated Sustainability and Best Innovation accolades as well as a Supplier of the Year and a Venue of the Year title. These finalists include:

Sustainability, *sponsored by Green Meetings***:**

- Agiito
- Barbican
- Moor Hall Hotel & Spa
- The Wellbeing Farm
- Wyboston Lakes Resort

Best Innovation, *sponsored by totem***:**

- Meetingspro – Agiito
- Mindful Meetings – Moor Hall Hotel & Spa
- Tyne to Get Back To Business – NewcastleGateshead Convention Bureau

Supplier of the Year:

- Events500
- First Travel Solutions
- Off Limits Events Professionals
- The Events Company

Venue of the Year:

- Hilton Birmingham Metropole
- Millennium Point
- The Belfry Hotel & Resort
- The Eastside Rooms
- The Exchange - University of Birmingham

Other titles, which will be recognised at the ceremony being hosted at Hilton Birmingham Metropole on 17 November 2022 after the mia's REIGNITE conference, include three team awards that will be subject to an online vote. These finalists include:

Team of the Year (Sales and Marketing):

- venues
- Park Plaza Hotels
- Regent's Conferences & Events
- The Grand Brighton and Richmond Hill Hotels
- Whittlebury Park

Team of the Year (Events & Operations):

- Agiito
- emc3
- Manchester Central
- The ACC Liverpool Group
- The Delegate Wranglers

Team of the Year (Destination), *sponsored by Simple View***:**

- Liverpool Convention Bureau
- Meet Cambridge
- NewcastleGateshead
- Visit Belfast

Kerrin MacPhie, chief executive of the mia, said: “We are absolutely delighted to have received the highest level of nominations for the miaList since our roll of honour commenced in 2011. The calibre of entries has been exceptionally high, and we are looking forward to shining a spotlight on the business meetings and events industry’s finest talent at our celebratory event in November.”

About the mia

The mia is one of the fastest growing associations in the conference, meetings and events sector, founded by a proactive group of hotel and conference centre operators and booking agents to lead the conference, meetings and events industry, providing accreditation, industry awards, research and a voice to government.

The mia supports over 700 members by:

- Providing extensive regional networking opportunities on a monthly basis.
- Helping them to achieve the highest standards of facilities and service through achievement of AIM, the industry standard of quality and excellence.
- Providing a library of best practice and quality standards guidelines.
- Promoting AIM to industry buyers.
- Delivering tangible benefits which support members in the achievement of their own business goals.
- By the provision of information, education, research and advice all of which lead to improved business performance.
- By sharing issues of sector importance with them.
- By raising the profile of business tourism with government.

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