

2022 CAT AWARD NOMINATIONS ANNOUNCED!

Calgary, AB: Nominations for the 2022 CAT Awards (Community Theatre Awards), celebrating the best of community theatre in Calgary and neighbouring communities were announced on July 21, 2022. There are 110 nominees in the 20 award categories this year for productions from July 2020 to June 2022, and a total of 21 productions were nominated from 10 different companies.



The CAT Awards are presented annually by **Calgary-ACTS, Calgary's Alliance of Community Theatres**. Calgary-ACTS is a not-for-profit society founded in 2000 with a focus on promoting community theatre in Calgary. It also provides a network of communication, support and resource sharing for its members. This year's ceremony will mark the 18th year for the CAT Awards.

This year's awards will recognize two years of productions, as theatre companies adjusted to the Covid-19 pandemic, finding unique and innovative ways of presenting theatre

and engaging audiences. Calgary and area audiences were offered 34 productions from 14 local theatre companies who are members of Calgary–ACTS. The awards acknowledge, reward, and celebrate the contributions of local theatre artists with **nominations selected through a combination of public input and show adjudications**. Audiences were not disappointed by the quality and professionalism of the cast and crew of these productions. Calgary-ACTS recognizes the hard work that goes into all productions.

This year, Calgary-ACTS also implemented several changes to our awards, including making all award categories gender neutral, and introducing a new award for outstanding technical execution of an online production.

The recipients of the 2022 CAT Awards will be announced in person on Saturday, August 27, 2022 at 7:00 pm at the MacEwan Hall Ballroom. Please join the best in local community theatre for this amazing evening of celebration. The theme for this year is "Fancy Mask".

Details of the CAT Awards presentation and how to purchase tickets will be available soon through the Calgary-ACTS webpage at <u>www.calgary-acts.com</u>.

2022 CAT Award Nominees (listed alphabetically)

Outstanding Performance by a Leading Role in a Musical

- Austin Battung Arnaldo as Rat The Wind in the Willows Untold Stories Theatre & Morpheus Theatre
- James Chandler as Mole The Wind in the Willows Untold Stories Theatre & Morpheus Theatre
- Mike Duncalfe as Mr. Toad The Wind in the Willows Untold Stories Theatre & Morpheus Theatre
- Kyle Gould as Abel The Pirates of Penzance Morpheus Theatre
- Caitlin Karpetz as Victor / Victoria Grant Victor/Victoria Front Row Centre Players
- Evangeline Mably as Frederique The Pirates of Penzance Morpheus Theatre
- Ginette Simonot as The Pirate Queen The Pirates of Penzance Morpheus Theatre
- Janos Zeller as Carroll "Toddy" Todd Victor/Victoria Front Row Centre Players

Outstanding Performance by a Leading Role in a Play

- Christopher Baker as Matthew Cuthbert L.M. Montgomery's Anne of Green Gables -Dewdney Players
- Stephen Buoninsegni as Narrator An Evening of One Act Plays Every Brilliant Thing -Dewdney Players
- Anne Marie Cotton as Gideon I Take This Man Dewdney Players
- Nathan Crockett as Brian Runnicles No Sex Please, We're British Morpheus Theatre
- Christopher Ford as Peter Hunter No Sex Please, We're British Morpheus Theatre
- Lucie Killam as Anne L.M. Montgomery's Anne of Green Gables Dewdney Players
- Mandee Marcil as Astra Beaux Ungentlemanly Warfare Scorpio Theatre
- Brenda Merkley as Marilla Cuthbert L.M. Montgomery's Anne of Green Gables -Dewdney Players
- Mya Swedburg as Constance Ledbelly Goodnight Desdemona (Good Morning Juliet) -Morpheus Theatre

Outstanding Performance by a Supporting Role in a Musical

- Aaron Bartholomew as Sergeant of Police The Pirates of Penzance Morpheus Theatre
- Aubrey Baux as Gilbert Blythe Anne of Green Gables The Musica Swamp Donkey
 Musical Theatre
- Chelsea Howell-Fellows as Norma Cassidy Victor/Victoria Front Row Centre Players
- Yaz Ben Lamin as Chief Weasel- The Wind in the Willows Untold Stories Theatre & Morpheus Theatre
- Becky Salmond as Mrs.Otter The Wind in the Willows Untold Stories Theatre & Morpheus Theatre
- George Thomson as Rick The Pirates of Penzance Morpheus Theatre
- Hannah Unterschultz as Norma Cassidy Victor/Victoria Front Row Centre Players

Outstanding Performance by a Supporting Role in a Play

- Claire Hoyer as Charlene I Take This Man Dewdney Players
- Kaelan McKernan as Gilbert Blythe L.M. Montgomery's Anne of Green Gables Dewdney Players
- Stephanie Morris as Jill, Juliet, Soldier Goodnight Desdemona (Good morning Juliet) Morpheus Theatre
- Rylan Nilsson as Tom Delaney Opening Night Confederation Theatre
- Taylor Schell as Dianna Barry L.M. Montgomery's Anne of Green Gables Dewdney Players
- Adena Warren as Marie Ungentlemanly Warfare Scorpio Theatre
- Jen White (Leclaire) as Belinda Cratchit, Belle & others A Christmas Carol A Radio Play - Morpheus Theatre

Outstanding Performance by a Chorus/Ensemble in a Musical

- 35mm: A Musical Exhibition Cappuccino Musical Theatre
- Robin Hood & His Merry Men Morpheus Theatre
- The Pirates of Penzance Morpheus Theatre
- The Wind in the Willows Untold Stories Theatre & Morpheus Theatre
- Victor/Victoria Front Row Centre Players

Outstanding Performance by a Chorus/Ensemble in a Play

- Cereal Offenders Dewdney Players
- Goodnight Desdemona (Good Morning Juliet) Morpheus Theatre
- L.M. Montgomery's Anne of Green Gables Dewdney Players
- No Sex Please, We're British Morpheus Theatre
- Team Building Day Grid View Theatre & Urban Stories Theatre
- Ungentlemanly Warfare Scorpio Theatre

Outstanding Stagecraft

- Bill Brown, Jason Bakaas and Heather Skulski The Wind in the Willows Untold Stories Theatre & Morpheus Theatre
- Bill Brown and Mike Johnson The Pirates of Penzance Morpheus Theatre
- Jamie Eastgaard-Ross, Mikee Ames, Jody Low and Krista Willott- Victor/Victoria Front Row Centre Players
- Nicola Payton with Matthew Payton and Sue Gothard L.M. Montgomery's Anne of Green Gables - Dewdney Players
- Harlan Sterner, Colleen Bishop and Rebecca Iles Ungentlemanly Warfare Scorpio Theatre

Outstanding Costume Design

- Trish Babkirk I Take This Man Dewdney Players
- Christie Johnson and Miranda Humphrey The Pirates of Penzance Morpheus Theatre
- Christie Johnson and Britta Siemens Robin Hood & His Merry Men Morpheus Theatre
- Britta Siemens and Ian Riep The Wind in the Willows Untold Stories Theatre & Morpheus Theatre
- Winnie Tran and Christian Morneau Victor/Victoria Front Row Centre Players

Outstanding Lighting Design

- Char Brydges and Bryan Smith 35mm: A Musical Exhibition Cappuccino Musical Theatre
- Char Brydges and Jody Low The Wind in the Willows Untold Stories Theatre & Morpheus Theatre
- Makenna Clarke Robin Hood & His Merry Men Morpheus Theatre
- Makenna Clarke The Pirates of Penzance Morpheus Theatre
- Kathryn McLaren Victor/Victoria Front Row Centre Players
- Elizabeth Schieman Ungentlemanly Warfare Scorpio Theatre

Outstanding Engineering/SFX (Musical)

- Allison Baillie The Wind in the Willows Untold Stories Theatre & Morpheus Theatre
- Steve Eastgaard-Ross 35mm: A Musical Exhibition Cappuccino Musical Theatre
- Quinn Hawse Robin Hood & His Merry Men Morpheus Theatre
- Ross Wilson Victor/Victoria Front Row Centre Players

Outstanding Soundscape (Play)

- Sarah Glubish Team Building Day Grid View Theatre & Urban Stories Theatre
- Bruce Petherick A Christmas Carol A Radio Play Morpheus Theatre
- Bruce Petherick Goodnight Desdemona (Good Morning Juliet) Morpheus Theatre
- Bruce Petherick Murder, if you Will Morpheus Theatre
- Bruce Petherick Ungentlemanly Warfare Scorpio Theatre
- Ben Seders with Reg Gothard & Matthew Payton L.M. Montgomery's Anne of Green Gables - Dewdney Players

Outstanding Technical Execution of an Online Production

- A Christmas Carol A Radio Play Morpheus Theatre
- Murder, if you Will Morpheus Theatre
- Resort to Murder Morpheus Theatre
- Scorpio Tonight Scorpio Theatre
- Team Building Day Grid View Theatre & Urban Stories Theatre
- The Big Sleepover Scorpio Theatre

Outstanding Direction of a Musical

- Jason Bakaas and Gad Gijon The Wind in the Willows Untold Stories Theatre & Morpheus Theatre
- Matt Dewald Victor/Victoria Front Row Centre Players
- Paige Fossheim- The Pirates of Penzance Morpheus Theatre
- Trisha Gizen and Melanie Baux Anne of Green Gables The Musical Swamp Donkey
 Musical Theatre
- Chelsea Hall 35mm: A Musical Exhibition Cappuccino Musical Theatre

Outstanding Direction of a Play

- Sean Anderson A Christmas Carol A Radio Play Morpheus Theatre
- Colleen Bishop Goodnight Desdemona (Good Morning Juliet) Morpheus Theatre
- Colleen Bishop Ungentlemanly Warfare Scorpio Theatre
- Jay Newman No Sex Please, We're British Morpheus Theatre
- Chloe Payton with Dayna Coles L.M. Montgomery's Anne of Green Gables Dewdney Players

Outstanding Musical Direction

- Lurene Bates Victor/Victoria Front Row Centre Players
- Rejean Campbell Disney's Beauty and the Beast The Painted Fish Performing Arts Society
- Winnifred Hume- The Pirates of Penzance Morpheus Theatre
- Michael Jarzecki 35mm: A Musical Exhibition Cappuccino Musical Theatre
- Melvin Picazo The Wind in the Willows Untold Stories Theatre & Morpheus Theatre

Outstanding Choreography

- Kym Butler Victor/Victoria Front Row Centre Players
- Gad Gijon with Holly Walker Robin Hood & His Merry Men Morpheus Theatre
- Karen Iwanski The Pirates of Penzance Morpheus Theatre
- Angela Woodard The Wind in the Willows Untold Stories Theatre & Morpheus Theatre

Outstanding Fight Direction

- Rico Pfeiffer Goodnight Desdemona (Good Morning Juliet) Morpheus Theatre
- Rico Pfeiffer Ungentlemanly Warfare Scorpio Theatre
- Ian Pond The Pirates of Penzance Morpheus Theatre
- Ian Pond The Wind in the Willows Untold Stories Theatre & Morpheus Theatre

Outstanding Original Script or Adaptation and/or Composition

- Dan Gibbins Ungentlemanly Warfare Scorpio Theatre
- Kyle Gould (adapted by), with Stefanie Barnfather, Ben Coburger, and Winnifred Hume -The Pirates of Penzance - Morpheus Theatre
- Mark Huolt Cereal Offenders Dewdney Players

Outstanding Production of a Musical

- Anne of Green Gables The Musical Swamp Donkey Musical Theatre
- Robin Hood & His Merry Men Morpheus Theatre
- The Pirates of Penzance Morpheus Theatre
- The Wind in the Willows Untold Stories Theatre & Morpheus Theatre
- Victor/Victoria Front Row Centre Players

Outstanding Production of a Play

- A Christmas Carol A Radio Play Morpheus Theatre
- Goodnight Desdemona (Good Morning Juliet) Morpheus Theatre
- I Take This Man Dewdney Players
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