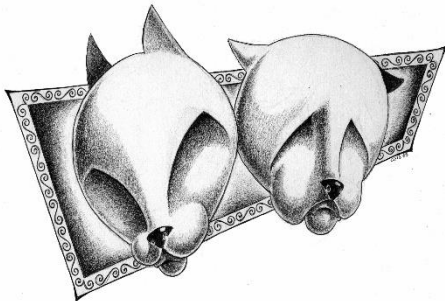


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## **2020 CAT AWARD NOMINATIONS ANNOUNCED!**

**Calgary, AB:** Nominations for the 2020 CAT Awards (Community Theatre Awards), celebrating the best of community theatre in Calgary and neighbouring communities were announced on July 26, 2020. There are 109 nominees in the 22 award categories this year for productions from July 1, 2019 to Mid-March, 2020, and a total of 14 productions were nominated from 9 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 17<sup>th</sup> annual presentation of the CAT Awards.**

With Covid-19 cutting the 2019-2020 theatre season short, Calgary and area audiences were offered 19 productions from 11 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 casts and crews of these productions. Calgary-ACTS recognizes the hard work that goes into all productions, whether they made it to the stage this year or had to be postponed.

**The recipients of the 2020 CAT Awards will be announced via Live Stream presentation on Saturday, August 22nd, 2020 at 7:30 pm.** Please join the best in local community theatre for this amazing evening of celebration. **The theme for this year is “What Dreams May Come”.**

Details of the CAT Awards presentation will be available soon through the Calgary-ACTS webpage at [www.calgary-acts.com](http://www.calgary-acts.com).

## **2020 CAT Award Nominees (listed alphabetically)**

### **Outstanding Performance by a Leading Actor in a Play**

- Darryl Lindenbach as Actor - The Woman In Black - Imagine Performing Arts
- Tare Rennebohm as Victor Frankenstein - Frankenstein - Nose Creek Players
- Luigino Savoia as Kris Kringle - Miracle on 34th Street - Morpheus Theatre
- Greg Spielman as Kipps - The Woman In Black - Imagine Performing Arts
- Oderin Tobin as Benjamin - The Graduate - Morpheus Theatre

### **Outstanding Performance by a Leading Actor in a Musical**

- Nicholas Chamberlain as Quasi Modo - The Hunchback of Notre Dame - Cappuccino Musical Theatre
- Dave Elder as Mr. Boddy - Clue - The Musical - Dewdney Players
- Quinn Lazenby as Gomez - The Addams Family - Front Row Centre Players
- Mitchell Lukinuk as Peter Allen - The Boy From Oz - Front Row Centre Players
- Brad Simon as Dom Claude Frollo - The Hunchback of Notre Dame - Cappuccino Musical Theatre

### **Outstanding Performance by a Leading Actress in a Play**

- Colleen Bishop as Val - Looking - Confederation Theatre
- Amanda Rae Cross as Nina - Looking - Confederation Theatre
- Haley Day as Elizabeth Lavenza - Frankenstein - Nose Creek Players
- Chelsea Friesen as Georgia/Luce - The Burning Pestle - Scorpio Theatre
- Emma Gallaher as Barbra - Night of the Living Dead Live - Scorpio Theatre
- Leanne Million as Mrs. Robinson - The Graduate - Morpheus Theatre
- Alex Watz as Elaine - The Graduate - Morpheus Theatre
- Lux Will as Helen/Judy - Night of the Living Dead Live - Scorpio Theatre

### **Outstanding Performance by a Leading Actress in a Musical**

- Samantha Carson as Wednesday - The Addams Family - Front Row Centre Players
- Jessica Jones as Liza Minelli - The Boy From Oz - Front Row Centre Players
- Kayla Mackenzie as Esmeralda - The Hunchback of Notre Dame - Cappuccino Musical Theatre
- Ginette Simonot as Morticia - The Addams Family - Front Row Centre Players
- Angela Woodard as Marion Woolnough - The Boy From Oz - Front Row Centre Players

### **Outstanding Performance by a Supporting Actor in a Play**

- Michael Brown as Dave Moss - Glengarry Glen Ross - Simply Theatre
- Hamish Crawford as Ian Chesterson/Jasper Merrythought - The Burning Pestle - Scorpio Theatre
- Dave Elder as Jesse Kiplinger / Roy Hubley - Plaza Suite - Dewdney Players
- D. Adam Jamieson as Mr. Robinson - The Graduate - Morpheus Theatre
- Jon Martin as Psychiatrist / Hotel Clerk - The Graduate - Morpheus Theatre
- Daniel Rose as Waiter - Plaza Suite - Dewdney Players

### **Outstanding Performance by a Supporting Actor in a Musical**

- Harrison Bentley as Greg Connell - The Boy From Oz - Front Row Centre Players
- Brent Gill as Phoebus De Martin - The Hunchback of Notre Dame - Cappuccino Musical Theatre
- Jared McCollum as Col. Mustard - Clue - The Musical - Dewdney Players
- Matthew McPhail as Lurch - The Addams Family - Front Row Centre Players
- Steven Morton as Clopin - The Hunchback of Notre Dame - Cappuccino Musical Theatre

### **Outstanding Performance by a Supporting Actress in a Play**

- Holie Darel as Karen Nash - Plaza Suite - Dewdney Players
- Emma Gallaher as Beatrice "Trix" Parsons - The Burning Pestle - Scorpio Theatre
- Sandy Lucas as Eleanor Marsden - The Burning Pestle - Scorpio Theatre
- Tamara Wilton as Mrs. Braddock - The Graduate - Morpheus Theatre
- Emiliee Zauhar as Bellhop - Plaza Suite - Dewdney Players

### **Outstanding Performance by a Supporting Actress in a Musical**

- Chelsea Friesen as Grandma - The Addams Family - Front Row Centre Players
- Christie Menzo as Alice - The Addams Family - Front Row Centre Players
- Kelly Misko as Mrs. Peacock - Clue - The Musical - Dewdney Players
- Sue Moore as Mrs. Plum - Clue - The Musical - Dewdney Players

### **Outstanding Performance by a Chorus/Ensemble in a Musical**

- The Addams Family - Front Row Centre Players
- The Boy From Oz - Front Row Centre Players
- Clue - The Musical - Dewdney Players
- The Hunchback of Notre Dame - Cappuccino Musical Theatre

### **Outstanding Performance by a Chorus/Ensemble in a Play**

- The Burning Pestle - Scorpio Theatre
- California Suite - Simply Theatre
- Glengarry Glen Ross - Simply Theatre
- Miracle on 34th Street - Morpheus Theatre
- Plaza Suite - Dewdney Players

### **Outstanding Stagecraft**

- Samantha Bellamy-Smith, Bryan Smith - The Hunchback of Notre Dame - Cappuccino Musical Theatre
- Tanya Dhaliwal - Clue - The Musical - Dewdney Players
- Tanya Dhaliwal, Dale Fea - Plaza Suite - Dewdney Players
- Jared Fahlman, Nicole Thorne, Mike Johnson (Props) - The Boy From Oz - Front Row Centre Players
- Matt Pickering, Brad Laberge, James Ravenhill - The Burning Pestle - Scorpio Theatre
- Mitch Tukkimaki, Meghan Skeet (Props) - The Addams Family - Front Row Centre Players

### **Outstanding Costume Design**

- Mikee Ames, Jessica Jones-Deroche (Hair & Makeup) - The Hunchback of Notre Dame - Cappuccino Musical Theatre
- Christie Johnson, Britta Siemens (Hair & Makeup) - The Boy From Oz - Front Row Centre Players
- Michelle Leblanc (Costumes), Jessica Jones & Britta Siemens (Hair and Makeup), Kristine Astop (Special Effects) - Night of the Living Dead Live - Scorpio Theatre
- Karen Walker, Jesse Bielman (Hair), Inderjit Dhanjal (Makeup) - The Addams Family - Front Row Centre Players
- Joyce Wall, Karalee Braun - Frankenstein - Nose Creek Players

### **Outstanding Lighting Design**

- Skylar Desjardins - The Boy From Oz - Front Row Centre Players
- Darryl Lindenbach - The Woman In Black - Imagine Performing Arts
- Ian McClellan, Ben Childs - The Addams Family - Front Row Centre Players
- Ian McClellan - The Hunchback of Notre Dame - Cappuccino Musical Theatre
- Matthew Payton, Nicola Payton - Clue - The Musical - Dewdney Players
- Beverly Stadelmann, Rob Evans - Frankenstein - Nose Creek Players

### **Outstanding Engineering/SFX (Musical)**

- Rew Armstrong, Steven Eastgaard-Ross - The Boy From Oz - Front Row Centre Players
- Gad Gijon - The Hunchback of Notre Dame - Cappuccino Musical Theatre
- Ed Sands, Dave Elder - Clue - The Musical - Dewdney Players
- Ross Wilson - The Addams Family - Front Row Centre Players

### **Outstanding Soundscape (Play)**

- Stuart Bentley - Night of the Living Dead Live - Scorpio Theatre
- Patrick Murray, Steve Ford - The Burning Pestle - Scorpio Theatre
- Ed Sands - Plaza Suite - Dewdney Players
- Beverly Stadelmann, Rob Evans - Frankenstein - Nose Creek Players
- Harold Squire - The Woman In Black - Imagine Performing Arts
- Danelle White - The Graduate - Morpheus Theatre

### **Outstanding Direction of a Play**

- Mark Huolt & Dayna Coles - Plaza Suite - Dewdney Players
- Darryl Lindenbach - The Woman In Black - Imagine Performing Arts
- Robin Mckittrick - Frankenstein - Nose Creek Players
- James Noonan - Glengarry Glen Ross - Simply Theatre
- Matt Pickering - The Burning Pestle - Scorpio Theatre
- Danelle White - The Graduate - Morpheus Theatre

### **Outstanding Direction of a Musical**

- Tory Doctor - The Hunchback of Notre Dame - Cappuccino Musical Theatre
- Nicola Payton - Clue - The Musical - Dewdney Players
- Jeremy Walker - The Addams Family - Front Row Centre Players

### **Outstanding Musical Direction**

- Stephanie Barnfather & Neil West - The Addams Family - Front Row Centre Players
- Winnifred Hume - The Hunchback of Notre Dame - Cappuccino Musical Theatre
- Collette Seders - Clue - The Musical - Dewdney Players

### **Outstanding Choreography**

- Alexa Elser - The Boy From Oz - Front Row Centre Players
- Hannah Joelle & Josh McKinnon - The Hunchback of Notre Dame - Cappuccino Musical Theatre
- Meg Sortin - Night of the Living Dead Live - Scorpio Theatre
- Stephen Welch - The Addams Family - Front Row Centre Players

### **Outstanding Fight Direction**

- Ian Pond - The Burning Pestle - Scorpio Theatre
- Ian Pond - California Suite - Simply Theatre
- Ian Pond - Night of the Living Dead Live - Scorpio Theatre
- Mark Huolt - Plaza Suite - Dewdney Players

**Outstanding Production of a Play**

- The Burning Pestle - Scorpio Theatre
- Frankenstein - Nose Creek Players
- Glengarry Glen Ross - Simply Theatre
- The Graduate - Morpheus Theatre
- Plaza Suite - Dewdney Players
- The Woman In Black - Imagine Performing Arts

**Outstanding Production of a Musical**

- The Addams Family - Front Row Centre Players
- The Boy From Oz - Front Row Centre Players
- Clue - The Musical - Dewdney Players
- The Hunchback of Notre Dame - Cappuccino Musical Theatre