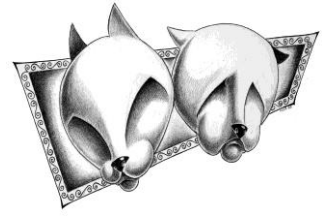




2015 CAT AWARD RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED!



Saturday, August 22, 2015, marked the **12th Annual CAT Awards**, a celebration of Calgary's Community Theatre at the University of Calgary's Rozsa Centre.

The annual CAT Awards is an event that celebrates the quality of work that Calgarians can expect to see from Community Theatre in Calgary and surrounding areas. The CAT Awards are produced by Calgary-ACTS (Calgary's Alliance of Community Theatres) which focuses on promoting community theatre in Calgary, by informing its members and the public of events related to the arts, and providing a communication and support network for its members. Recipients of the CAT Awards are determined by a combined process of public nomination and adjudication. We encourage you all to attend community theatre productions and nominate your favourites throughout the upcoming 2015-2016 season. Please visit www.calgary-acts.com to nominate anyone (starting September 1st), or if you have any questions about the CAT Awards or Calgary-ACTS.

Every year, theatre companies are given the opportunity to honour any of their exceptional volunteers. These volunteers are people who have gone above and beyond the normal to ensure that the show, project, or event they are working on is a success.

Recipients of the 2015 Volunteer Awards:

Dewdney Players – Barb Gook and Doug Howard

Front Row Centre Players – Eric Olberg and Andre Goulet

Liffey Players Drama Society – China Marsh

Morpheus Theatre – David Young and Haley Day

Scorpio Theatre – Daniel Koyata

Strathmore Theatre Players – Laura Bakken

Storybook Theatre – Trudy Leiding, Jody Low, Catherine Weir, and Eric Olberg

Congratulations to all recipients and nominees for a wonderful 2014-2015 season! See you next year!

2015 CAT Awards Committee

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Outstanding Sound Effects in a Musical

Stephen Eastgaard-Ross for *Anything Goes* (Front Row Centre Players)

Outstanding Soundscape in a Play

Bill Torrie & Dean Caplan for *Sea Marks* (Liffey Players)

Outstanding Chorus

Anything Goes (Front Row Centre Players)

- Jenna Fraser, Danielle Renton, Evan Forbes, Daniel Ripley, Larra Caldie, Mikee Ames, Vicki Trask, Kimberly Jette, Sarah Remple, David Young, Matthew McDonald, David Mottle, Thompson Harper, Cody Field; Riley Galarneau, Gareth McVicar.

Outstanding Ensemble

12 Angry Men (Simply Theatre)

- Kyle Gould, Ryan Patterson, Greg Spielman, Dorin McIntosh, Fadi Saghir, Darren Stewart, Courtney Nelson, James Noonan, Tim Elliott, John Whidden, Murray Melnychuk, Bryan Smith, Brian Weir

Outstanding Lighting Design

Jerod Blake and Ed Sands for *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* (Dewdney Players)

Outstanding Choreography

Mikee Ames & Danielle Desmarais for *Anything Goes* (Front Row Centre Players)

Outstanding Stage Fight

John Knight, Anastasia St. Amand, Holleay Rohm and Ian Pond with Aaron Conrad for *Cry Havoc 3* (Scorpio Theatre)

Outstanding Costume Design

Frank Macleod with Paige Fossheim (Hair and Makeup), Marilyn Buehning and Christie Johnson (Assistants) for *Ruddigore* (Morpheus Theatre)

Outstanding Stagecraft

Jamie Eastgaard-Ross, Steven Eastgaard-Ross, and Rich Davis

With Heather Low, Meghan Skeet, Jody Low, and Sam Stemmler for *Anything Goes* (Front Row Centre Players)

Outstanding Musical Direction

Ian Robertson for *Ruddigore* (Morpheus Theatre)

Outstanding Original Script or Adaptation

Dan Gibbins for *Blood of the Red Queen* (Scorpio Theatre)

Outstanding Performance by a Leading Actor in a Play

Dorin McIntosh as Colm Primrose in *Sea Marks* (Liffey Players)

Outstanding Performance by a Leading Actress in a Play

Tanya Elliott Wolff as Timothea Stiles in *Sea Marks* (Liffey Players)

Outstanding Performance by a Leading Actress in a Musical

Tanis Laatsch as Reno Sweeney in *Anything Goes* (Front Row Centre Players)

Outstanding Performance by a Leading Actor in a Musical

Adam Sanders as Bobby Strong in *Urinetown* (Front Row Centre Players)

Outstanding Performance by a Supporting Actor in a Play

Simon McKenzie as Gollum in *The Hobbit* (StoryBook Theatre)

Outstanding Performance by a Supporting Actress in a Play

Shandra McQueen as Dorothy Gale in *Blood of the Red Queen* (Scorpio Theatre)

Outstanding Performance by a Supporting Actress in a Musical

Andrea O'Brien as Emma in *Anything Goes* (Front Row Centre Players)

Outstanding Performance by a Supporting Actor in a Musical

Fadi Saghir as Sir Despard Murgatroyd in *Ruddigore* (Morpheus Theatre)

Outstanding Direction of a Musical

Jamie Eastgaard-Ross for *Anything Goes* (Front Row Centre Players)

Outstanding Direction of a Play

Jerod Blake for *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* (Dewdney Players)

Outstanding Production of a Musical

Anything Goes (Front Row Centre Players)

Producer: Kristine Astop

Director: Jamie Eastgaard-Ross

Musical Director: Brian Holiday

Choreographers: Mikee Ames & Danielle Desmarais

Stage Managers: Marina Sakellis & Daisy Pond

Outstanding Production of a Play

Blood of the Red Queen (Scorpio Theatre)

Producer: Daisy Pond

Director: Chelsea Millard

Fight Choreographer: Anastasia St. Amand

Stage Manager: Samantha Bellamy-Smith

A number of professional theatre participants contributed to a variety of productions this year including JP Thibodeau from StoryBook Theatre and Aaron Conrad from Scorpio Theatre. The CAT Award Committee thank them for their participation and appreciate their efforts on behalf of Community Theatre in Calgary and area.

For a full list of the nominees, please visit www.calgary-acts.com.
