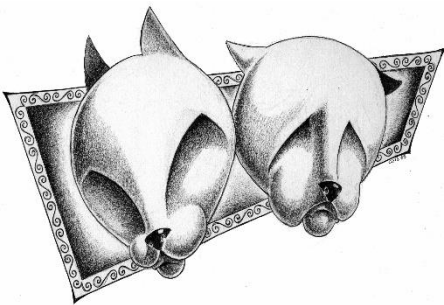


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2024 CAT AWARD NOMINATIONS ANNOUNCED!

Calgary, AB: Nominations for the 2024 CAT Awards (Community Theatre Awards), celebrating the best of community theatre in Calgary and neighbouring communities were announced on July 27, 2024. There are 111 nominees in the 19 award categories this year for productions from July 2023 to June 2024, and a total of 23 productions were nominated from 15 different companies, including 3 companies receiving nominations for the first time this year (Full Circle Theatre, MisFit Theatre YYC, and Small Time Theatre), and we are pleased to welcome back Workshop Theatre.



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 20th year for the CAT Awards.**

Calgary and area audiences were offered 45 productions from 23 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.

The recipients of the 2024 CAT Awards will be announced in person on Saturday, August 24, 2024 at 7:30 pm at the Pumphouse Theatres. Please join the best in local community theatre for this amazing evening of celebration. **The theme for this year is "Roaring 20s, Looking Forward, looking back".**

This year Calgary-ACTS welcomes Michelle Brandenburg, past "CAT Awards Girl", actor, clown, director, educator, and gluten free vegan who rarely runs with scissors, to join us as our Emcee at the annual awards ceremony.

Tickets to the event will be available online. Please visit www.calgary-acts.com for more information.

2024 CAT Award Nominees (listed alphabetically)

Outstanding Performance by a Supporting Role in a Play

- Teresa Byrne as Tatiana Racón - A Comedy of Tenors - Morpheus Theatre
- John DeDominicis as Mr. Paravicini - The Mousetrap - Claesholm Arts Society
- Zena Drabinsky as Ethel - Moon Over Buffalo - Workshop Theatre
- Kirsten Garcia as Maria Merelli - A Comedy of Tenors - Morpheus Theatre
- Ciorstaidh Reid as Rosalind - Moon Over Buffalo - Workshop Theatre
- Rowena Romero as Tom / Phyllis / Leslie - Sylvia - Scorpio Theatre and Morpheus Theatre
- Sarah Nearing as Mercutio - Riverona, Episodes 1 & 2 - Full Circle Theatre
- Darla Slovak as Mrs. Boyle - The Mousetrap - Claesholm Arts Society
- Janos Zeller as Aristede Noiro - The Peacock Season - Morpheus Theatre

Outstanding Performance by a Supporting Role in a Musical

- Lindsay Kurtze as Nostradamus - Something Rotten! - Front Row Centre Players
- Mitchell Lukinuk as Trent Oliver - The Prom - Untold Stories Theatre
- Bradshaw McClung as Max Detweiler - The Sound of Music - Claesholm Arts Society
- Tracey Ohler as Frau Schmidt - The Sound of Music - Claesholm Arts Society
- Lyndsey Paterson as Margaret White - Carrie - Front Row Centre Players
- Danica Powersmith as Bea Bottom - Something Rotten! - Front Row Centre Players
- Aislyn Rickard as Alyssa Greene - The Prom - Untold Stories Theatre
- Andrew Russell as Shakespeare - Something Rotten! - Front Row Centre Players
- Brad Simon as Zach - A Chorus Line - Front Row Centre Players

Outstanding Soundscape (Play)

- Sebastian DeDominicis & John DeDominicis - The Mousetrap - Claesholm Arts Society
- Kyle Gould - The Peacock Season - Morpheus Theatre
- Thomas Hall - Sylvia - Scorpio Theatre and Morpheus Theatre
- Harold Squire - The Magician's Nephew - Imagine Theatre YYC
- Amanda Taylor Burton & Adam Buzzard - The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood - Nose Creek Players

Outstanding Engineering/SFX (Musical)

- Corey Ariss with Gad Gijon - The Prom - Untold Stories Theatre
- Sebastian DeDominicis & Emilea Harrison - The Sound of Music - Claesholm Arts Society
- Grace Lu & Byron Hynes - The Rocky Horror Show - MisFit Theatre YYC and Morpheus Theatre
- Danelle White - Carrie - Front Row Centre Players
- Josef Vermeulen & Marc Verones - Something Rotten! - Front Row Centre Players

Outstanding Performance by a Chorus/Ensemble in a Play

- A Comedy of Tenors - Morpheus Theatre
- Like & Subscribe - Workshop Theatre
- The Magician's Nephew - Imagine Theatre YYC
- The Mousetrap - Claesholm Arts Society
- The Peacock Season - Morpheus Theatre

Outstanding Performance by a Chorus/Ensemble in a Musical

- A Chorus Line - Front Row Centre Players
- Fiddler on the Roof - Painted Fish Performing Arts Society
- Something Rotten! - Front Row Centre Players
- The Prom - Untold Stories Theatre
- The Sound of Music - Claesholm Arts Society

Outstanding Lighting Design

- Makenna Clarke - The Prom - Untold Stories Theatre
- Thaniel Franz - The Mousetrap - Claresholm Arts Society
- Thaniel Franz - The Sound of Music - Claresholm Arts Society
- Jamie Macaulay - The Magician's Nephew - Imagine Theatre YYC
- Jacob Sunderland - Carrie - Front Row Centre Players

Outstanding Stagecraft

- Belinda Bender, Charlotte Loeppky, Erin Noble & Harold Squire - The Magician's Nephew - Imagine Theatre YYC
- Jamie Eastgaard-Ross, Moira Taylor & Kristine Astop – Carrie - Front Row Centre Players
- Skye Grinde, John DeDominicis & Norm Foxcroft - The Sound of Music - Claresholm Arts Society
- Josie Kaip, Tiffany Lynn Cuffley & Jason Bakaas - The Prom - Untold Stories Theatre
- Jeremy MacKenzie, Susan J. Soprovich & Alicia Meeks - Moon Over Buffalo - Workshop Theatre
- Carmelle Steel, John DeDominicis, Norm Foxcroft & Shelley Foxcroft - The Mousetrap - Claresholm Arts Society

Outstanding Fight Direction

- Katie Fournell - Henry V (in modern English) - Dewdney Players Group Theatre
- Mark Huolt - Moon Over Buffalo - Workshop Theatre
- Ian Pond - A Comedy of Tenors - Morpheus Theatre
- Ian Pond - Carrie - Front Row Centre Players
- Ian Pond - Riverona, Episodes 1 & 2 - Full Circle Theatre

Outstanding Choreography

- Danielle Desmarais - A Chorus Line - Front Row Centre Players
- Danielle Desmarais with Leslie Han - The Prom - Untold Stories Theatre
- Nimue Lacelle - The Rocky Horror Show - MisFit Theatre YYC and Morpheus Theatre
- Sara Rathgeber, Ella Rathgeber & Hailey Kuntz - The Sound of Music - Claresholm Arts Society
- Lysia Smandych - Fiddler on the Roof - Painted Fish Performing Arts Society
- Stephen West - Something Rotten! - Front Row Centre Players

Outstanding Costume Design

- Jason Bakaas, Gad Gijon & Tula Sarsons - The Prom - Untold Stories Theatre
- Jacquie Goth Brennan - Rule of Thumb - Workshop Theatre
- Christie Johnson, Stephen West & Emily De Boer - Something Rotten! - Front Row Centre Players
- Dana McLeod, Lyndsay McAleer & Victoria DeDominicis - The Mousetrap - Claresholm Arts Society
- Dana McLeod, Laurie Watt, Lyndsay McAleer & Shelby Murphy - The Sound of Music - Claresholm Arts Society
- Yvonne Ustick - The Peacock Season - Morpheus Theatre

Outstanding Musical Direction

- Réjean Campbell - Fiddler on the Roof - Painted Fish Performing Arts Society
- Michelle DeDominicis - The Sound of Music - Claresholm Arts Society
- Allie Pompu - The Prom - Untold Stories Theatre
- Chelsea Wellman & Joanne Sampson - A Chorus Line - Front Row Centre Players
- Neil West - Something Rotten! - Front Row Centre Players

Outstanding Original Script or Adaptation and/or Composition

- Megan Baldrey, Claire Bolton, Hans Wackershauser, Erin Weir & Kevin Wier - Riverona, Episodes 1 & 2 - Full Circle Theatre
- Charlotte Loeppky assisted by Erin Noble & Harold Squire - The Magician's Nephew - Imagine Theatre YYC
- AJ Pearce - Like & Subscribe - Workshop Theatre
- Christopher Heatherington - Mudpie - Seniors Acting Lab

Outstanding Direction of a Play

- Sharon King & Tracey Ohler - The Mousetrap - Claresholm Arts Society
- Ted Lach - Sylvia - Scorpio Theatre and Morpheus Theatre
- Charlotte Loeppky, Harold Squire & Erin Noble - The Magician's Nephew - Imagine Theatre YYC
- Nicola Payton - The Peacock Season - Morpheus Theatre
- AJ Pearce - Like & Subscribe - Workshop Theatre

Outstanding Direction of a Musical

- Sean Anderson - The Gondoliers - Morpheus Theatre
- Gad Gijon & Jason Bakaas - The Prom - Untold Stories Theatre
- Sharon King - The Sound of Music - Claresholm Arts Society
- Josef Vermeulen - Something Rotten! - Front Row Centre Players
- Krista Willott - The Rocky Horror Show - MisFit Theatre YYC and Morpheus Theatre

Outstanding Performance by a Leading Role in a Play

- Samantha Chatterton as Mollie Ralston - The Mousetrap - Claresholm Arts Society
- David Gale as Detective Sergeant Trotter - The Mousetrap - Claresholm Arts Society
- Snizhana Gukasian-Korobeinikova as Sylvia - Sylvia - Scorpio Theatre and Morpheus Theatre
- David Hall as Hugh Bullshot Crummond - Bullshot Crummond - Dewdney Players Group Theatre
- Gillian Klassen as Cora Marriner - The Peacock Season - Morpheus Theatre
- Tracey Ohler as Christopher Wren - The Mousetrap - Claresholm Arts Society
- Jonathan Top as Digory Kirke - The Magician's Nephew - Imagine Theatre YYC

Outstanding Performance by a Leading Role in a Musical

- Michelle DeDominicis as Mother Abbess - The Sound of Music - Claresholm Arts Society
- Ranelle Huwald as Emma Nolan - The Prom - Untold Stories Theatre
- Stephanie King as Maria Rainer - The Sound of Music - Claresholm Arts Society
- Shandra McQueen as Dee Dee Allen - The Prom - Untold Stories Theatre
- Cozette Spackman as Matilda - Matilda Jr. - Small Time Theatre Society
- Jeremy Walker as Nick Bottom - Something Rotten! - Front Row Centre Players
- Scott Watson as Barry Glickman - The Prom - Untold Stories Theatre
- Janos Zeller as Frank 'N' Furter - The Rocky Horror Show - MisFit Theatre YYC and Morpheus Theatre

Outstanding Production of a Play

- A Comedy of Tenors - Morpheus Theatre
- Sylvia - Scorpio Theatre and Morpheus Theatre
- The Game's Afoot - Strathmore Theatre Players Guild
- The Magician's Nephew - Imagine Theatre YYC
- The Mousetrap - Claresholm Arts Society
- The Peacock Season - Morpheus Theatre

Outstanding Production of a Musical

- A Chorus Line - Front Row Centre Players
- Fiddler on the Roof - Painted Fish Performing Arts Society
- Something Rotten! - Front Row Centre Players
- The Prom - Untold Stories Theatre
- The Sound of Music - Claresholm Arts Society

