

KCACTF 2023:

National Awards for Productions Showcased at the Regional Festivals, January through March, 2023

In recognition of a dynamic season of compelling work by theatre artists in higher education across the country. To adapt the theme coined by KCACTF Region 6, congratulations to all for a year in which colleges and universities **re-connected**, **re-launched** and **re-ignited** the passions of theatre artists to the great benefit of audiences nationwide.

The Citizen Artist Awards

The Kennedy Center Citizen Artist Awards recognize programs in higher education using theatrical production to promote long-term societal impact through an artistic lens, to encourage empathetic exploration of the complex cultural and physical world, and to advocate for justice on campus and throughout the world.

The Bible Women's Project Salve Regina University

Everybody Naugatuck Valley Community College

Caged College of Wooster

Memento Mori: A Meditation Carthage College

Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again. Wayne State University

The Bus Stop North Carolina Central University

The Adivina is Never Wrong College of Saint Mary

Wounded Healers Minnesota State University, Mankato

Keely and Du Southeastern Oklahoma State University

Rooster University of Central Oklahoma

Self-Injurious Behavior Dallas College Richmond

Always Plenty of Light at the Starlight All Night Diner Spokane Falls Community College

Marisol Idaho State University

Everybody Central Washington University

Water by the Spoonful Sonoma State University

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time Cuesta College

Demigods Anonymous Windward Community College

Ho`Oilina: A Farcical Hana Keaka University of Hawaii at Manoa

Melancholia Los Angeles City College Theatre Academy

Distinguished Achievement in the Facilitation of a Brave Rehearsal Space

This new recognition celebrates teaching artists who create a rehearsal room community that prioritizes the mental, physical, and emotional well-being of their student artists; empowering them to safely engage with challenging theatrical stories.

Rooster University of Central Oklahoma

Self-Injurious Behavior Dallas College Richmond

Keely and Du Southeastern Oklahoma State University

The Moors Appalachian State University

Marisol Idaho State University

Everybody Central Washington University

Water by the Spoonful Sonoma State University

Wounded Healers Minnesota State University, Mankato

Memento Mori: A Meditation Carthage College

Keely and Du Southeastern Oklahoma State University

Distinguished Achievement in Stage Management

Ava Stipe **Self-Injurious Behavior** Dallas College Richmond
Shauna Llamas, Lindsay Hayes, and Sayde Mendell **Everybody** Central Washington University
Harmoni Thompson, Alyssa Higley, and Staci Allen **Marisol** Idaho State University
Maren Grant, Mylo Bissel and Kai Williams **Carrie the Musical** Drake University
Madison DenHerder and Anna Bram **Life is a Dream** Northwestern College
Brady Warlow, Gray Fandel, Harlowe Sousa, and Benjamin Perkins **The Moors**
Appalachian State University
Jasmyn Harper **The Bus Stop** North Carolina Central University
Mollie Davis **Violet** College of Charleston
Jillian Fournier and Rachel Meloche **Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again.** Wayne State University
Lindsay Rice and Angie DeStefano **The Birds** Taylor University
Cameron Munoz and Allen McKeever **Civil** Southern Connecticut State University
Trista Cae Davidson **Keely and Du** Southeastern Oklahoma State University
Melanie Hatzenbuhler **Melancholia** Los Angeles City College Theatre Academy
Blake Presnell **The Wife of Fabian Vitalik** University of Idaho
Ally Bray **The Wife of Fabian Vitalik** University of Idaho
Blythe DeWitt and Charlie Ladd **Always Plenty of Light at the Starlight All Night Diner**
Spokane Falls Community College

Distinguished Achievement in Production Design

Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again. Wayne State University
Violet College of Charleston
Alabaster North Dakota State University
The Birds Taylor University
Wounded Healers Minnesota State University, Mankato
Marisol Idaho State University
The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time Cuesta College
Melancholia Los Angeles City College Theatre Academy

Distinguished Achievement in Projection Design

Jett Skrien **Life is a Dream** Northwestern College
Alex Woolum **The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time** Cuesta College
Skylar Selby-Mullins **Rooster** University of Central Oklahoma

Distinguished Achievement in Scenic Design

Max Marshall **Violet** College of Charleston
Conner Reagan **The Birds** Taylor University
Michelle Ludlow and Claire Chrzan **Marisol** Idaho State University
Alex Pordon **Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again.** Wayne State University

Distinguished Achievement in Sound Design

Nathan A. Roberts **Civil** Southern Connecticut State University
Phillip Hall **Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again.** Wayne State University
Mark Engler **Alabaster** North Dakota State University
Steven Day **The Birds** Taylor University
Syd Mauro **Everybody** Central Washington University
John Zalewski **Melancholia** Los Angeles City College Theatre Academy

Distinguished Achievement in Lighting Design

Nate Hart **Spring Awakening** West Chester University
Eddie Frye **Violet** College of Charleston
Terry Eikleberry **Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again.** Wayne State University
Brian Lynch **Alabaster** North Dakota State University
Steven Smith **Wounded Healers** Minnesota State University, Mankato
Matthew Pierce **The Birds** Taylor University
Jonathan Curns **Everybody** Central Washington University
John A. Garofalo **Melancholia** Los Angeles City College Theatre Academy

Distinguished Achievement in Costume Design

Rebecca Morrice **Pride and Prejudice** Slippery Rock University
Zuwaib Razzaq **Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again.** Wayne State University
Pamela Bond **The Bus Stop** North Carolina Central University
Janine McCabe **Violet** College of Charleston
Lisa Bebey **Everybody** Central Washington University
Maria Catarina Copelli **Melancholia** Los Angeles City College Theatre Academy

Distinguished Achievement in Dramaturgy

Susannah Quinn **The Birds** Taylor University
Angelique Bruner **Rooster** University of Central Oklahoma
Nora Gore and Noah Anderson **Violet** College of Charleston
Kiara Pipino **Nord-Ost** SUNY Oneonta
Kaipulaumakaniolono **Ho`Oilina: A Farcical Hana Keaka** University of Hawai`i at Manoa

Distinguished Performance and Production Ensemble

Pride and Prejudice Slippery Rock University
Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again. Wayne State University
Alabaster North Dakota State University
Stupid Fucking Bird University of Minnesota-Duluth
Violet College of Charleston
Everybody Central Washington University
The Wife of Fabian Vitalik University of Idaho
The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time Cuesta College
Melancholia Los Angeles City College Theatre Academy

Distinguished Performance Ensemble

The Bible Women's Project Salve Regina University
Peter and the Starcatcher West Liberty University
The Moors Appalachian State University
God of Carnage Emporia State University
The Birds Taylor University
Wounded Healers Minnesota State University, Mankato
Gruesome Playground Injuries Lone Star College Montgomery
Rooster University of Central Oklahoma

Outstanding Performance by an Actor

Gillian Huntley **Violet** College of Charleston

Dylan Hahn **The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time** Cuesta College

Distinguished Performance by an Actor

Hope McGinnis **Spring Awakening** West Chester University

Jessie Hazell **Spring Awakening** West Chester University

Joel Nau **Peter and the Starcatcher** West Liberty University

Skylar Deming **Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again.** Wayne State University

Shannon Dingle **Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again.** Wayne State University

Sofia Kirkman **Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again.** Wayne State University

Ashley Poulin **Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again.** Wayne State University

Alexis Pratt **Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again.** Wayne State University

Noah Harrison **These Shining Lives** University of Southern Indiana

Alexa Nimitz **The Moors** Appalachian State University

Kamilah Williams **The Bus Stop** North Carolina Central University

Spencer Vinzani **Violet** College of Charleston

Clyde Moser **Violet** College of Charleston

Skyler Huntley **Violet** College of Charleston

Ruby Richard **Alabaster** North Dakota State University

Adrianna Kelly **Alabaster** North Dakota State University

Chloe Fox **Carrie the Musical** Drake University

Laurie Breyen **Carrie the Musical** Drake University

Aidan Merck **The Birds** Taylor University

Sage Cantú **Airness** Sam Houston State University

Faith Abbott **Gruesome Playground Injuries** Lone Star College Montgomery

Wyatt Langehennig **Gruesome Playground Injuries** Lone Star College Montgomery

Dorothy Fuhr **Keely and Du** Southeastern Oklahoma State University

Karlie Carr **Keely and Du** Southeastern Oklahoma State University

Harlow Winterfire **The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time** Cuesta College

Jordan Michael **The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time** Cuesta College

Arnol Zepeda **Melancholia** Los Angeles City College Theatre Academy

Valerie Vega **Melancholia** Los Angeles City College Theatre Academy

Outstanding Production of a Musical

Violet College of Charleston

Distinguished Production of a Musical

Carrie the Musical Drake University

Spring Awakening West Chester University

Distinguished Production of a Play

Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again. Wayne State University

Alabaster North Dakota State University

The Birds Taylor University

Everybody Central Washington University

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time Cuesta College

Melancholia Los Angeles City College Theatre Academy

Outstanding Production of a New Work

Wounded Healers Minnesota State University, Mankato

Distinguished Productions of a New Work

Ho’Oilina University of Hawaii at Manoa

The Wife of Fabian Vitalik University of Idaho

Distinguished Production of a Devised Work

The Bible Women’s Project Salve Regina University

Innovative and Unique Theatrical Event

The Wife of Fabian Vitalik University of Idaho

Distinguished Director of a Play

Jill Dion **Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again.** Wayne State University

Jess Jung **Alabaster** North Dakota State University

Tracy Manning **The Birds** Taylor University

Tom Isbell **Stupid Fucking Bird** University of Minnesota-Duluth

Emily Rollie **Everybody** Central Washington University

Bree Valle **The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time** Cuesta College

Jose Luis Valenzuela **Melancholia** Los Angeles City College Theatre Academy

Outstanding Director of a Musical

Nakeisha Daniel **Violet** College of Charleston

Outstanding Director of a New Work

Timothy Berry **Wounded Healers** University of Minnesota, Mankato

Outstanding Choreography

Kristin Alexander **Violet** College of Charleston

Distinguished Choreography

Erin Horst **Carrie: The Musical** Drake University

Distinguished Achievement in Movement Direction

Annabelle Brasch **Everybody** Central Washington University

Nicole Perez **Melancholia** Los Angeles City College Theatre Academy

Distinguished Achievement in Musical Direction

Laura Turner **Violet** College of Charleston

Distinguished Achievement in Original Music Composition

Owen McGreevy **The Wife of Fabian Vitalik** University of Idaho

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