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San Jose Stage Company Announces Nominations for “The Stage Top Honor Awards”; Celebrates Excellence in High School Musical Theatre

San Jose, CA – Monday, May 10th, 2010 – San Jose Stage Company is proud to announce the nominations for the 2010 “Top Honor Awards.”

This new awards program encourages and rewards exceptional accomplishments in the production of high school musical theatre across the Bay Area.

Fifteen private and public high school musical theatre programs competed in the “The Stage Top Honor Awards”, modeled after Broadway's *Tony Awards* featuring shows like *Les Miserables*, *Singing in the Rain*, *Fame*, *Oklahoma* and *42nd Street*.

The adjudicators (comprised of theatre professionals, performing artists, designers, and theatre arts educators) evaluated the musical theatre productions over the last four months. The adjudicators have made their nominations in sixteen different performance and production categories. Recognition of outstanding achievement by students and educators will be made in the areas of performance (best lead and supporting actress/actor), design, direction, musical direction, choreography, technical production and overall production excellence.

Winners of “The Stage Top Honor Awards” will be announced at the Gala Ceremony on June 7th, 2010 at the California Theatre.

For more information and tickets to the “Top Honor Award Gala” please see <http://www.thestage.org>.

BEST GRAPHIC DESIGN:

- Katy Boggs, Joyce Cave and Charlie Royce - *42nd Street* – San Mateo High School
- Felicia Ong - *Aida* – Irvington High School
- Not Specified - *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* – Archbishop Mitty High School
- Katya Austin - *Fiddler on the Roof* – The King's Academy
- Not Specified - *Oklahoma!* – Mission San Jose High School
- Not Specified - *Singing in the Rain* – Valley Christian High School

BEST HAIR/MAKE-UP DESIGN:

- Lisa Cross - *42nd Street* – San Mateo High School
- Sundee Medeiros - *Aida* – Irvington High School
- Nora Scofield and Laren Saboff - *Fiddler on the Roof* – The King's Academy
- Robin Mendolia and Lisa Kester - *Singing in the Rain* – Valley Christian High School
- Jean Cardinale and Candice Badua - *Urinetown* – Woodside Priory High School

BEST COSTUME DESIGN:

- Troy River, Dawn River, Felicia Gold, Leigh Ann Gilson - *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* – American High School
- Lisa Cross, Lisa Milano, Jeanne McCaleb - *42nd Street* – San Mateo High School
- Karen Brady - *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* – Archbishop Mitty High School
- Tammy Davies and Amanda Craine - *Into the Woods* – Westmont High School
- Jean Cardinale - *Urinetown* – Woodside Priory High School
- Karin Nilo and Priya Krishnakumar - *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* – Cupertino High School

LIGHTING DESIGN:

- Chad Bonaker - *42nd Street* – San Mateo High School
- Ryan Willer - *Aida* – Irvington High School
- Natti Pierce-Thomson - *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* – Archbishop Mitty High School
- Noah Price and Erik Danford - *Fiddler on the Roof* – The King's Academy
- Matt McGill - *Into the Woods* – Westmont High School
- Natti Perce-Thomson - *Les Miserables* – The Harker School

SCENIC DESIGN:

- Troy River - *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* – American High School
- Daniel Cadigan – *42nd Street* – San Mateo High School
- Fred Alim - *Aida* – Irvington High School
- Devin Bertsch - *Singing in the Rain* – Valley Christian High School
- Keith Drotar - *Urinetown* – Woodside Priory High School
- Max Wolbach, Arcadia Conrad, Sam Ahmed and Max Pommier - *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* – Cupertino High School

DIRECTION:

- Troy River - *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* – American High School
- Doug Santana - *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* – Archbishop Mitty High School
- Jeff Bengford - *Into the Woods* – Westmont High School
- Bill Starr - *Lucky Stiff* – Wilcox High School
- John Sugden - *Urinetown* – Woodside Priory High School

CHOREOGRAPHY:

- Robyn Tribuzi – *42nd Street* – San Mateo High School
- Lauren Benjamin - *Aida* – Irvington High School
- Anethra Moura - *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* – Archbishop Mitty High School
- Tiffany Woods and Rachelle Taylor - *Fame* – Piedmont Hills High School
- Kevin Hammond – *Singing in the Rain* – Valley Christian High School

MUSICAL DIRECTION:

- Shawn Reifschneider - *42nd Street* – San Mateo High School
- Daina Joly - *Aida* – Irvington High School
- Mason Kimont - *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* – Archbishop Mitty High School
- Catherine Snider - *Les Miserables* – The Harker School
- Dave Hook - *Singing in the Rain* – Valley Christian High School

ORCHESTRA:

- Mason Kimont - *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* – Archbishop Mitty High School
- Jim Sluyter and Cort Bender - *Fiddler on the Roof* – The King’s Academy
- Christine Nielsen - *Into the Woods* – Westmont High School
- Dave Gregoric - *Singing in the Rain* – Valley Christian High School
- Eileen Dimminger - *Urinetown* – Woodside Priory High School

CHORUS:

- *42nd Street* – San Mateo High School
- *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* – Archbishop Mitty High School
- *Fame* – Piedmont Hills High School
- *Into the Woods* – Westmont High School
- *Les Miserables* – The Harker School

BEST FEATURED ACTRESS/ACTOR:

- Madison Boggs (“Anytime Annie” Reilly) - *42nd Street* – San Mateo High School
- David Visini (Andy Lee) - *42nd Street* – San Mateo High School
- Erin Garcia (Jolene Oaks) - *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* – Archbishop Mitty High School
- Arielle Fletcher (Fruma Sarah) - *Fiddler on the Roof* – The King’s Academy
- John Ammatuna (Enjolras) - *Les Miserables* – The Harker School
- Kyle Linton (Body of Tony Henden) - *Lucky Stiff* – Wilcox High School

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS:

- Anna Crosetti (Dorothy Brock) - *42nd Street* – San Mateo High School
- Sarah Bernosky (Muriel Eubanks) - *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* – Archbishop Mitty High School
- Marisa Scofield (Tzeitel) - *Fiddler on the Roof* – The King’s Academy
- Leah Marie Cohen (Little Red Ridinghood) - *Into the Woods* – Westmont High School
- Olivia Norman (Lina Lomont) - *Singing in the Rain* – Valley Christian High School

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR:

- Manuel Barrera (Leaf Coneybear) - *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* – American High School
- Nicholas Wetherbee (Billy Lawlor) - *42nd Street* – San Mateo High School
- Ryan Meyer (Andre Thibeault) - *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* – Archbishop Mitty High School
- James Seifert (Marius) – *Les Miserables* – The Harker School
- Scott Kavanagh (Will Parker) – *Oklahoma!* – Mission San Jose High School

BEST LEADING ACTOR:

- Jeremy Griffith (Vice Principal Douglas Panch) - *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* – American High School
- James M. Jones (Radames) - *Aida* – Irvington High School
- Jaemyeong Lee (Billy Crocker) – *Anything Goes* – Saratoga High School
- Matt Hill (Freddy Benson) - *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* – Archbishop Mitty High School
- Tad Cruz (Tevye) - *Fiddler on the Roof* – The King’s Academy
- Alex Willis (Harry Witherspoon) – *Lucky Stiff* – Wilcox High School

BEST LEADING ACTRESS:

- Devon Simpson (Olive Ostrovsky) - *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* – American High School
- Katherine Dela Cruz (Aida) – *Aida* – Irvington High School
- Nila Le (Serena Katz) – *Fame* – Piedmont Hills High School
- Rachel Graves (The Baker’s Wife) – *Into the Woods* – Westmont High School
- Christina Lea (Annabel Glick) – *Lucky Stiff* – Wilcox High School
- Veronique Filloux (Hope Cladwell) – *Urinetown* – Woodside Priory High School

BEST OVERALL PRODUCTION:

- *42nd Street* – San Mateo High School
- *Aida* – Irvington High School
- *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* – Archbishop Mitty High School
- *Singing in the Rain* – Valley Christian High School
- *Urinetown* – Woodside Priory High School

TOP HONOR NOMINATIONS BY PRODUCTION:

- *42nd Street* – San Mateo High School – (13)
- *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* – Archbishop Mitty High School – (13)
- *Aida* – Irvington High School – (9)
- *Singing in the Rain* – Valley Christian High School – (8)
- *Fiddler on the Roof* – The King’s Academy – (7)
- *Into the Woods* – Westmont High School – (7)
- *Urinetown* – Woodside Priory High School – (7)
- *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* – American High School – (6)
- *Les Miserables* – The Harker School – (5)
- *Lucky Stiff* – Wilcox High School – (4)
- *Fame* – Piedmont Hills High School – (3)
- *Oklahoma!* – Mission San Jose High School – (2)
- *You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown* – Cupertino High School – (2)
- *Anything Goes* – Saratoga High School – (1)