

## ACT-CO FESTIVAL - THEA AWARDS - APRIL 4, 2020

#### **Best Set Design - Drama**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Wayne Milliner, Alice Torrance	The Patron Saint of Stanley Park	The Curtain Club	
Ron Remigio	The Cripple of Inishmaan	Scarborough Theatre Guild	For taking us to the island with great detail – thatched roof et all
Shelley Martin	Cat on a Hot Tin Roof	Borelians Community Theatre	
Julian Mulock	Burn	The Curtain Club	

### **Best Set Design - Musical**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Bruce Brown	The Addams Family	Clarkson Music Theatre	For a superb set design that covered multiple locations, utilizing set pieces in multiple ways to achieve an incredibly high level of production.
Bill Corcoran	Assassins	Theatre Aurora	
Barb Canning	Mamma Mia!	Kempenfelt Community Players	

### **Best Set Design - Comedy**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Charlon Bruner	It's Only A Play	Whitby Courthouse Theatre	
Wayne Cardinalli	Nobody's Talking to Me	Toronto Irish Players	
Cat Heaven	Ring 'Round the Moon	<b>Georgetown Little Theatre</b>	Stunning winter garden. Lush, elegant, inviting,
			magical. Worthy of a Stratford stage.
Bryan Mailey	Renovations	Borelians Community Theatre	

### **Best Performance by a Male in a Supporting Role - Drama**

Nominee	Role	Production	Theatre Company	Award Citation
Neil Kulin	Babbybobby Bennett	The Cripple of Inishmaan	Scarborough Theatre Guild	
Steve Hetherington	David	Burn	The Curtain Club	
Enda Reilly	Bartley McCormick	The Cripple of Inishmaan	Scarborough Theatre Guild	
Bill Baker	Big Daddy	Cat on a Hot Tin Roof	Borelians Community Theatre	For taking our breath away with his compassion for Brick and his visceral pain that peeked out from behind the traditional father figure veneer.
Matthew Taylor	Stevie	Good People	Bloor West Village Playhouse	
Matt Walker	LT Jonathan Kendrick	A Few Good Men	Ajax Community Theatre	

### Best Performance by a Male in a Supporting Role - Musical

Nominee	Role	Production	Theatre Company	Award Citation
Craig Marshall	Uncle Fester	The Addams Family	Clarkson Music Theatre	For an incredible performance that seamlessly moved the story along and highly entertained the audience.
David Cardinal	Proprietor/Balladeer	Assassins	Theatre Aurora	
Todd Appleton	Dr. Orin Scrivello DDS	Little Shop of Horrors	Scarborough Music Theatre	
Keelan Ballantyne	Sky	Mamma Mia!	Kempenfelt Community Players	
Scott Deveau	Laurie/Theodore Laurence III	Little Women	Whitby Courthouse Theatre	

### Best Performance by a Male in a Supporting Role - Comedy

Nominee	Role	Production	Theatre Company	Award Citation
Peter Wilkinson	Walter Pearce	Death by Design	Theatre Etobicoke	
Shael Risman	Ira Drew	It's Only a Play	Whitby Courthouse Theatre	Frenzied, hugely energetic and heightened comic performance of a wonky British director.
James Glac	Rob (the AV guy)	The Kitchen Witches	Caledon Townhall Players	
David Geene	Ernie	Renovations	Borelians Community Theatre	
David Kouhi	Newt Blaylock	The Red Velvet Cake Wars	Blackhorse Village Players	

Colin Hoare	Joshua	Ring Round the Moon	Georgetown Little Theatre	

## **Best Lighting Design - Drama**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Mary Jane Boon	Tempting Providence	The Curtain Club	
Mary Jane Boon	The Patron Saint of Stanley Park	The Curtain Club	For generating magic on scrims and in beautiful pockets
			pockets
Joanne Norman	Cat on a Hot Tin Roof	Borelians Community Theatre	potrets

# Best Lighting Design - Musical

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Carolyn Carr	Into The Woods	Scarborough Music Theatre	
David Buffham	Assassins	Theatre Aurora	For an outstanding lighting design that beautifully supported the story and elevated the production to another level.
Sean Devenish	Footloose The Musical	The Oakville Players	

# **Best Lighting Design - Comedy**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Karen Brown & Paul Harris	The 39 Steps	Scarborough Theatre Guild	
John Sellens	The Dixie Swim Club	Markham Little Theatre	
Dan Souwand	Death by Design	Theatre Etobicoke	Aesthetically dramatic lighting throughout the
			show but particularly in the pantomime scene.
Kyle Dickie	Renovations	Borelians Community Theatre	

### Adjudicator Awards #1 - Drama

### The 110% award – going the distance to make it work

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Bodene and Dave Corbitt	Tempting Providence	The Curtain Club	
The Company	Les Liaisons Dangereuses	Theatre Aurora	
Steve Hetherington and Brandon	Burn	The Curtain Club	For literally saving the show and doing a bang-up
Moore			job in the process. Incredible what they both
			accomplished in a short period of time.
Judi Cragg	The Night of January 16 <sup>th</sup>	Markham Little Theatre	
Joey Ferguson	The Tempest	Theatre Aurora	

### Adjudicator Awards #2 - Drama

#### **Most Magical Moment**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Gemma Healy-Murphy and	Many Young Men of Twenty	Toronto Irish Players	
Orlaith Ni Chaoinleain			
Ross Inglis	The Cripple of Inishmaan	Scarborough Theatre Guild	
Chorus of Children	Miracle on 34 <sup>th</sup> Street	Scarborough Players	
Olivia Jon	The Tempest	Theatre Aurora	For using phenomenal physicality and vocal
			ability as Ariel and generating a mind-blowing
			harpy moment.

### Adjudicator Awards #3 - Drama

### Outstanding Emerging voice in the theatre

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Selin Onat	The Cripple of Inishmaan	Scarborough Theatre Guild	
Virginia Marrin	That Summer	Queensville Players	
Kathryn Bellamy	Anne of Green Gables	Queensville Players	For bringing the pivotal role of Anne to the stage
			with such sparkle and stunning joie de vivre.
Dylan Duff	Anne of Green Gables	Queensville Players	

### Adjudicator Awards #4 - Drama

### **Best Prop Design**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Nicole Moore, Bill Corcoran,	The Patron Saint of Stanley Park	The Curtain Club	For the magical world that the created using
Wayne Milliner, Alice Torrance			found objects and imagination. That shopping
			cart was astounding.
JD Joute	Good People	Bloor West Village Players	
Susan Sanders	The Cripple of Inishmaan	Scarborough Theatre Guild	
Mark Lewis	Cat on a Hot Tin Roof	Borelians Community Theatre	

### Adjudicator Awards #1 – Outstanding Ensemble Performance - Musical

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Ensemble	Madagascar Jr.	Kempenfelt Community Players	
Ensemble	Urinetown – The Musical	Mariposa Arts Theatre	For a fantastic ensemble who nailed every moment, breathed together through excellent execution of choreography, and delivered a high energy, strong performance from start to finish.
Ensemble	The Addams Family	Clarkson Music Theatre	
Ensemble	Assassins	Theatre Aurora	
Ensemble	Little Shop of Horrors	Scarborough Music Theatre	

### Adjudicator Awards #2 - Outstanding Young Performer - Musical

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Maryse-soleil de Montbrun	Madagascar Jr.	<b>Kempenfelt Community Players</b>	For an outstanding performance and
			characterization with excellent comedic timing.
Bella Francis	Urinetown – The Musical	Mariposa Arts Theatre	
Darcy Tyrrell	Sleeping Beauty	Century Theatre Guild	
Kallie Rivers	Footloose The Musical	The Oakville Players	
Taylor Rodkin	Little Women	Whitby Courthouse Theatre	

## Adjudicator Awards #3 – Outstanding Puppetry and Performance Award - Musical

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Mark Tingle	Little Shop of Horrors	Scarborough Music Theatre	For outstanding design, build and execution of
Bill Corcoran			the superb Audrey II puppets in performance.
Rich Burdett			

# Adjudicator Awards #4 – Music and Stage Director Award - Musical

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Marion Abbott	Into The Woods	Scarborough Music Theatre	
Doug MacDougall	Sleeping Beauty	Century Theatre Guild	
Neill Kernohan	Assassins	Theatre Aurora	For the exceptional work in combining the roles
			of Music and Stage Director to achieve an
			incredibly strong vision in both areas.

### Adjudicator Awards #1 – FIRST TIMER'S AWARD (Director or SM) - Comedy

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Katie Cleland-Busuttil	The Dixie Swim Club	Milton Players Theatre Group	
Amy Caughlin	Renovations	Borelians Community Theatre	First role as a director, true to the script, found a
			delicate balance between honesty and comedy.
Melissa Gibson	It's Only a Play	Whitby Courthouse Theatre	
Noah Hollinshead	When the Autumn Moon is Bright	South Simcoe Theatre	

### Adjudicator Awards #2 DOUBLE ACT/COMEDY DUO AWARD - Comedy

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Tommy Boston & Paul Bryant	The 39 Steps	Scarborough Theatre Guild	
Jonathan O'Drowsky & Alex	Perfect Wedding	Milton Players Theatre Group	
Peroff			
Ryan Perera & Ivan Radulovic	The Odd Couple Female Version	Burloak Theatre Group	Hilarious and inspired portrayals of wonky Spanish brothers Manola and Jesus. Fierce, generous and outrageously funny performances.
Catherine Lenihan & Dermot Walsh	Nobody's Talking to Me	Toronto Irish Players	

### Adjudicator Awards #3 ENSEMBLE AWARD - Comedy

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Cast & Crew	Perfect Wedding	Milton Players Theatre Group	
Cast & Crew	The Odd Couple Female Version	Burloak Theatre Group	Despite a series of misfortunate events, company members stepped up to create a highly polished, and entertaining show.
Cast & Crew	The Dixie Swim Club	Milton Players Theatre Group	
Cast & Crew	The Kitchen Witches	Caledon Townhall Players	

### Adjudicator Awards #4 IN SEARCH OF VITAL THEATRE - Comedy

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Company	When the Autumn Moon is	South Simcoe Theatre	Going all-out to support undiscovered Canadian
	Bright		work and celebrating a local playwright.
Company	It's Only a Play	Whitby Courthouse Theatre	
Company	Renovations	Borelians Community Theatre	
Company	Ring Round the Moon	Georgetown Little Theatre	

# Best Costume Design - Drama

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Maria Cerone	Night of January 16 <sup>th</sup>	Markham Little Theatre	For generating a staggering 20's design – that was beautiful and specific
Kim Blanusa	Cat on a Hot Tin Roof	Borelians Community Theatre	
Anne Harper	Good People	Bloor West Village Players	
Andra Bradish	The Cripple of Inishmaan	Scarborough Theatre Guild	

# **Best Costume Design - Musical**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Brenda Thompson	Madagascar Jr.	Kempenfelt Community Players	
Phyllis Johnson	Urinetown – The Musical	Mariposa Arts Theatre	For an absolutely excellent costume design that
			really reflected and sold the unique world and
			characters of the show.

# **Best Costume Design - Comedy**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Mary Nowlan	Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice	Scarborough Players	
Andra Bradish	The 39 Steps	Scarborough Theatre Guild	Creative, wonky, fun costumes, true to clowning.
Daina Luszczek	Death by Design	Theatre Etobicoke	
Sandi LaPlante	When the Autumn Moon is Bright	South Simcoe Theatre	

### **Best Performance by a Female in a Supporting Role - Drama**

Nominee	Role	Production	Theatre Company	Award Citation
Ann Smith	Mrs Crump	That Summer	Queensville Players	For her use of the text and inhabiting this character with pain
				and humour.
Kailea Banka	Claire	Proof	Georgetown Little Theatre	
Lynn Oldershaw	Samira	Burn	The Curtain Club	
Alyssa Quart	Jean	Good People	Bloor West Village Playhouse	
Vannetta Tustian	Mae	Cat on a Hot Tin Roof	Borelians Community Theatre	
Chantel McDonald	Kate	Good People	Bloor West Village Playhouse	

### **Best Performance by a Female in a Supporting Role - Musical**

Nominee	Role	Production	Theatre Company	Award Citation
Natasha Paquin	Penelope Pennywise	Urinetown – The Musical	Mariposa Arts Theatre	For a knock-out performance
				that took us on an emotional
				and satisfying journey.
Sydney Nicolson	Wednesday Addams	The Addams Family	Clarkson Music Theatre	
Pam Sparrow	Rose	Mamma Mia!	Kempenfelt Community	
			Players	
Kelsey Faulkner	Rusty	Footloose The Musical	The Oakville Players	
Kathy Knight	Aunt March/Mrs. Kirk	Little Women	Whitby Courthouse Theatre	

# Best Performance by a Female in a Supporting Role - Comedy

Nominee	Role	Production	Theatre Company	Award Citation
Mary Nowlan	Mrs. Reynolds	Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice	Scarborough Players	
Jennifer Mance	Virginia Noyes	It's Only a Play	Whitby Courthouse Theatre	Aging, drug-addicted diva. Found the humanity and pathos in a stereotypically written character.
Lindsay Woodford	Kathleen O'Dowd	Nobody's Talking to Me	Toronto Irish Players	
Alyssa Langella	Victoria Van Roth	Death by Design	Theatre Etobicoke	
Nadia Comeau	Sedalia Ellicott	Always a Bridesmaid	Century Theatre Guild	
Ro Palumbo-Coates	Geraldine Capulet	Ring Round the Moon	Georgetown Little Theatre	

### Best Sound Design - Drama

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Samantha De Vries	Good People	Bloor West Village Players	
Sidnei Auler	The Cripple of Inishmaan	Scarborough Theatre Guild	
John Hunter	The Tempest	Theatre Aurora	For the wonderful soundscape that filled the space and for the wonderful technology used to create the harpy moment.
John McQueen	Tempting Providence	The Curtain Club	

### **Best Sound Design - Musical**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Greg Salisbury	The Addams Family	Clarkson Music Theatre	
Emma Hyslop	Little Shop of Horrors	Scarborough Music Theatre	For an incredibly well balanced and executed sound design that elevated the production.
Sidnei Auler	Into The Woods	Scarborough Music Theatre	

# **Best Sound Design - Comedy**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Paul Webber	When the Autumn Moon is Bright	South Simcoe Theatre	
John McQueen	Nobody's Talking to Me	Toronto Irish Players	
Kris Brown	The Dixie Swim Club	Milton Players Theatre Group	
Andy Roberts	The 39 Steps	Scarborough Theatre Guild	Music and a multitude of sound cues carefully and cohesively selected; the sound enhanced the period and added to the artistry of the transitions.

### **Best Musical Director**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Jenny Peace	The Addams Family	Clarkson Music Theatre	
Michael Grieco	Little Shop of Horrors	Scarborough Music Theatre	
Edward Niles	Little Women	Whitby Courthouse Theatre	For leading and supporting both the orchestra
			and the vocalists to result in an incredibly even
			and strong musical production.

## **Best Choreographer**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Sheri Nichols	Urinetown – The Musical	Mariposa Arts Theatre	
Kieren Day	Mamma Mia!	Kempenfelt Community Players	For outstanding choreography that elevated the production and supported the story on stage beautifully.
Jackie Burns	Footloose – The Musical	The Oakville Players	

# Best Performance by a Female in a Leading Role - Drama

Nominee	Role	Production	Theatre Company	Award Citation
Carolyn Goff	Maggie	Cat on a Hot Tin Roof	Borelians Community	
			Theatre	
Renee Cullen	Margaret Walsh	Good People	Bloor West Village Playhouse	
Jessica Ducharme	Karen Andre	Night of January 16 <sup>th</sup>	Markham Little Theatre	
Katrina Gibson	Catherine	Proof	Georgetown Little Theatre	
Shelagh Hughes Carlini	Lizzie Borden	Blood Relations	Theatre Aurora	
Kelly Morrison	Myra	Tempting Providence	The Curtain Club	For honouring Nurse
				Bennett with her finely
				nuanced practicality and
				specificity of action.
				Stunningly simple making it
				an extremely poetic
				performance.

## Best Performance by a Female in a Leading Role - Musical

Nominee	Role	Production	Theatre Company	Award Citation
Patricia Mongeon	Baker's Wife	Into The Woods	Scarborough Music Theatre	
Mary Bowden	Morticia Addams	The Addams Family	Clarkson Music Theatre	For an absolutely fantastic performance of an iconic character with their own spin and comedic flair.
Victoria Dennis	Sophie	Mamma Mia!	Kempenfelt Community Players	
Danielle Knight	Audrey	Little Shop of Horrors	Scarborough Music Theatre	
Kathryn Fraser	Jo March	Little Women	Whitby Courthouse Theatre	

# Best Performance by a Female in a Leading Role - Comedy

Nominee	Role	Production	Theatre Company	Award Citation
Heidi Kachel	Marlafaye Mosley	The Savannah Sipping Society	Caledon Townhall Players	
Mary Pat McBride	Olive Madison	The Odd Couple	The Burloak Theatre Group	
Kerry Harman	Vernadette	The Dixie Swim Club	Markham Little Theatre	
Sarah Bain-Simpson	Peaches Verdeen Belrose	The Red Velvet Cake War	Blackhorse Village Players	
Rosalind Naccarato	Camille/Madeline	When the Autumn Moon is Bright	South Simcoe Theatre	Found a number of comical mannerisms for her characters. Very much in her body and present.
Emily Hale	Isabelle	Ring Round the Moon	Georgetown Little Theatre	

# Best Performance by a Male in a Leading Role - Drama

Nominee	Role	Production	Theatre Company	Award Citation
Chris Irving	Angus	Tempting Providence	The Curtain Club	For navigating the coastal local man with charm, empathy and a whole lot of heart. Breath-taking.
Thomas O'Neill	Danger Mullaly	Many Young Men of Twenty	Toronto Irish Players	
Connor David Cooke	The Cripple Billy	The Cripple of Inishmaan	Scarborough Theatre Guild	
Kelly Whitehorse	Brick	Cat on a Hot Tin Roof	Borelians Community Theatre	
Phil Dionne	Robert	Burn	The Curtain Club	
Mark Davies	Robert	Proof	Georgetown Little Theatre	

## Best Performance by a Male in a Leading Role - Musical

Nominee	Role	Production	Theatre Company	Award Citation
Martin Buote	Baker	Into The Woods	Scarborough Music Theatre	
Ivan Hutomo	Lee Harvey Oswald	Assassins	Theatre Aurora	
Sergio Calderon	John Wilkes Booth	Assassins	Theatre Aurora	For an incredibly well executed performance that made this historical person real for the audience.
Russ Underdown	Seymour Krelborn	Little Shop of Horrors	Scarborough Music Theatre	
Mark Jones	Ren McCormack	Footloose The Musical	The Oakville Players	

# Best Performance by a Male in a Leading Role - Comedy

Nominee	Role	Production	Theatre Company	Award Citation
Jay Da Costa	Brent	Renovations	Borelians Community	
			Theatre	
Keri Hughes	Poe/Burgerfrye/The Thing	When the Autumn Moon is	South Simcoe Theatre	
		Bright		
Chip Thompson	Mr. Bennet	Jane Austen's Pride and	Scarborough Players	
		Prejudice		
Harry Lavigne	Boris/Ignatz	When the Autumn Moon is	South Simcoe Theatre	
		Bright		
David Busuttil	Hugo/Frederic	Ring Round the Moon	Georgetown Little Theatre	Manic wild character
				switches. Found physicality
				of the opposing twins.
Rob Magee	Richard Hannay	The 39 Steps	Scarborough Theatre Guild	

# Best Stage Manager - Drama

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Bridget Jankowski	Good People	Bloor West Village Playhouse	
Brenda DeJong	Cat on a Hot Tin Roof	Borelians Community Theatre	
Lynda Muir and Joan Burrows	The Patron Saint of Stanley Park	The Curtain Club	A flawlessly called show – with more
			components than Mirvish Productions
Anna Taratuta and Devin Mahesh	Tempting Providence	The Curtain Club	

# Best Stage Manager - Musical

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Vanessa Leslie	Urinetown – The Musical	Mariposa Arts Theatre	
John Dalgleish	The Addams Family	Clarkson Music Theatre	
Rosa Ringhofer	Mamma Mia!	<b>Kempenfelt Community Players</b>	For calling a clean and smooth show, while supporting a
			large team of people to achieve a high-quality
			production.

# Best Stage Manager - Comedy

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Wendy Miller	Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice	Scarborough Players	
Teresa Bakker	The 39 Steps	Scarborough Theatre Guild	
Michelle Charrette	Renovations	Borelians Community Theatre	
Jenn Burns	The Red Velvet Cake Wars	Blackhorse Village Players	Went far above and beyond the call of duty.

### **Best Director – Drama**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Jeremy Henson	The Cripple of Inishmaan	Scarborough Theatre Guild	
Julian Mulock	Burn	The Curtain Club	
Kyle Brough	Cat on a Hot Tin Roof	Borelians Community Theatre	
Harvey Levkoe	Tempting Providence	The Curtain Club	For allowing us to fully bear witness to the
			struggle and staying out of the way of the text
			and actors. The beauty was in the simplicity of
			the storytelling. Awesome.

### **Best Director - Musical**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Valerie Thornton	Urinetown – The Musical	Mariposa Arts Theatre	
Rob Gorican	The Addams Family	Clarkson Music Theatre	
Michael Winn Johnson	Little Shop of Horrors	Scarborough Music Theatre	For expert direction utilizing all the resources
			and space available to their fullest extent.

### **Best Director - Comedy**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Katherine Turner	Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice	Scarborough Players	
Dennis Curley	Perfect Wedding	Milton Players Theatre Group	Very strong directorial vision and technique to create a hilarious, well-paced farce with truthful characters.
Angie Fyke	The Odd Couple Female Version	Burl Oak Theatre Group	
Kevin Shaver	The 39 Steps	Scarborough Theatre Guild	

### **Best Production - Drama**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
David Nicholson	Good People	Bloor West Village Players	
Amy Caughlin	Cat on a Hot Tin Roof	Borelians Community Theatre	
Darlene Thomas	The Cripple of Inishmaan	Scarborough Theatre Guild	
Sharon Dykstra and Jo Ann	Tempting Providence	The Curtain Club	Awesome story-telling that invited us in hook
Warren			line and sinker. Specific, nuanced and simply
			stunning.

### **Best Production - Musical**

Nominee (Producer Names)	Production	Company	Award Citation
Kaleb Sauve	Urinetown – The Musical	Mariposa Arts Theatre	
Rita Ferguson, Christine McMahon, Susan Wray Toogood	The Addams Family	Clarkson Music Theatre	For the production that consistently scored the highest in all areas across the board – sensational work!
Rob Lachance, Dot Routledge	Little Shop of Horrors	Scarborough Music Theatre	

### **Best Production - Comedy**

Nominee	Production	Company	Award Citation
Darlene Thomas	The 39 Steps	Scarborough Theatre Guild	
Susan McQueen	Nobody's Talking to Me	Toronto Irish Players	
Darlene Thomas	Jane Austen's Pride and	Scarborough Players	Rich, rewarding and elegant adaptation of a
	Prejudice		classic piece of literature.
Mel Hinch	When the Autumn Moon is Bright	South Simcoe Players	