



# **19th Annual Omaha Entertainment & Arts Awards**

**Celebrating Omaha's Imagination**

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**Sunday, February 16, 2025  
The Admiral Theater**



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***Hosted by The Weisenheimers***  
*with*  
**OEAA House Band *Parfait & Friends***  
*and*  
**Announcer Steve Adair!**

**FEATURING**  
**Performances from**  
**Carver Jones & the American Dreamers**  
**The Rex Granite Band with Sarah Benck**  
**Nebraska State Poet Jewel Rodgers**

**'In Memoriam' Tribute**  
*with Wayne Hudson*

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*Tonight's show will run approximately 3 hours with ONE intermission.*  
*Bar sales are open from **5:30-10:30 p.m.** on the main floor and upstairs.*  
*Decent Dogs food truck will be available from **5:30-8:30 p.m.***

*Photos and Videos are encouraged. NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY!*  
*Tonight's program is being photographed & filmed by the OEAA for publicity and later broadcast.*  
*By entering the The Admiral Theater, you consent to being photographed and/or filmed.*



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**ACT ONE**

**NOMINEES, PLEASE BE MINDFUL OF WHEN YOUR CATEGORY IS ANNOUNCED!**

**Performances by Parfait & Friends and The Weisenheimers**

**AWARDS BATCH 1**

Scroll past End Credits to read individual Nominee Names in each category.

**Outstanding MUSIC**

Punk, Recording Studio, Sound Engineer, Hard Rock, DJ, Pop

**Outstanding PERFORMING ARTS**

Comedian, Lighting Design, Prop Design, Supporting Actor - Musical, Sound Design,  
Supporting Actor - Play

**Outstanding VISUAL ARTS**

Visual Artist, New Media, 2-Person Show

**John Heaston Cultural Stewardship Award**

Michelle Troxclair & Felicia Casher - VERBAL GUMBO

Presented by Deborah Bunting

**Performance by Carver Jones & The American Dreamers**

Hit the Road! (Jack)

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**AWARDS BATCH 2**

Scroll past End Credits to read individual Nominee Names in each category.

**Outstanding PERFORMING ARTS**

Youth Performer, Music Direction, Scenic Design, Actor - Play, Dance Solo, Actor - Musical

**Outstanding VISUAL ARTS**

Youth Visual Artist, 2D Artist, 3D Artist

**Outstanding MUSIC**

Youth Musicians, Soul, Hip-Hop, Country, Alt/Indie, Blues

**Performing Arts Lifetime Achievement Award**

Dick Mueller - FIREHOUSE DINNER THEATRE

Presented by Ron Samuelson

**Performance by Rex Granite Band with Sarah Benck**

Find Out

**INTERMISSION - 15 minutes**

Music by **Parfait & Friends**

**Listen for ANNOUNCER STEVE'S LIVE SHOW TIME UPDATES**



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**ACT TWO**

**NOMINEES, PLEASE BE MINDFUL OF WHEN YOUR CATEGORY IS ANNOUNCED!**

**Performance by Jewel Rodgers - Nebraska State Poet**

*I Want to Be in Love*

**AWARDS BATCH 3**

Scroll past End Credits to read individual Nominee Names in each category.

**Outstanding MUSIC**

New Artist, Americana/Folk, Progressive Rock/Experimental, Cover Band, Jazz, Metal

**Outstanding PERFORMING ARTS**

New Local Script, Director - Musical, Costume Design, Choreographer, Director - Play

**Outstanding VISUAL ARTS**

Emerging Artist, Non-Traditional Format, Photographer

**Visual Arts Lifetime Achievement Award**

Therman Statom

Presented by Tim Guthrie

**THE WEISENHEIMERS**

*Audience Adventure*

**Music Lifetime Achievement Award**

Tony & Joey Gulizia

Presented by Greg Ahl

***In Memoriam Tribute***

with **WAYNE HUDSON**

***Willy Wonka in Charlie & the Chocolate Factory***

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**AWARDS BATCH 4**

Scroll past End Credits to read individual Nominee Names in each category.

**Outstanding PERFORMING ARTS**

Comedy Ensemble, Dance Production, Drama, Musical, Comedy

**Outstanding VISUAL ARTS**

Public Art, Solo Show, Group Show

**Outstanding MUSIC**

R&B, Rock, World, Artist of the Year, Album of the Year

*\*Final Award handed out by special guest Samantha 'Sam' McKussick - The Admiral's Ambassador*

**END OF SHOW! BARS OPEN UNTIL 10:30 P.M.**



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Omaha, NE 68108

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A Very Special THANK YOU to:

The Admiral Theater Staff, Barb Anderson, Jill Anderson, Alisa Bellflower & SNJ Studios, Nate Carlson, Pope Katherine Neary, John Rogers, The Rose Theater, UNO Theatre Department, and Michelle Zacharia



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## **CREDITS**

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## **PERFORMANCES**

### **Hosts**

**The Weisenheimers:** Monty Eich, Theresa Sindelar, Cullen Chollett

### **House Band**

#### **Parfait & Friends**

**Band:** JordanTheNinja *drums/main vocals*, Jimmy Cuadros *trumpet/tuba/aux percussion, vocals*, Nidhal Keddah *keyboard/synth/vocals*

**Special Guests:** Wyndham Ennaemba *trombone/vocals*, Founding Member Alex Schmer *electric guitar/bass/vocals*

### **Announcer**

**Steve Adair**

### **'Hit the Road! (Jack)'**

**Written by** Carver Jones, Dominic Martinez & Zachary Knowles

**Performed by** Carver Jones & The American Dreamers

**Band:** Carver Jones *vocals/guitar*, Alec Allhijawi *bass*, Max Soderberg *drums*

### **'Find Out'**

**Composed by** Loomis, Tardy, Armbrust, & Divis

**Performed by** The Rex Granite Band with Sarah Benck

**Band:** Sarah Benck *vocals/guitar*, Rex Granite *slide guitar*, Dain Armbrust *bass guitar*, Anton Divis *drums*

### **'I Want to Be In Love'**

**Written by** Jewel Rodgers

**Performed by** Jewel Rodgers, Nebraska State Poet

### **'Pure Imagination' - In Memoriam Tribute**

**Performed by** Wayne Hudson (*Willy Wonka*) from the production of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* at The Rose Theater



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## **PRODUCTION**

**Produced by the OEAA Board of Directors:** Doug Meigs (P), Alyson Peeler (VP), Jason DeLong (S), Frank Hayes (T), Julian Adair, Lori Lynn Ahrends, Paul B. Allen, Ariann Anderson, Ang R. Bennett, Gregory D. Brown, David Carney, Zedeka Poindexter, Dominique Whitehead

**Directed by** Hughston Walkinshaw, Julian Adair, Lori Lynn Ahrends

**Written by** Purdy Walkinshaw, Monty Eich, Theresa Sindelar, Cullen Chollett, Steve Adair, Lori Lynn Ahrends, Julian Adair

**Cultural Stewardship & Lifetime Achievement Videos by** Gregory D. Brown/Scary Ghost Creative  
**'In Memoriam' Video by** Rachel Moore

**Trophy Handlers:** Jason DeLong, Aly Peeler, Zedeka Poindexter

**House Music Coordinators:** Arianne Anderson - Omaha Sound

**ASL Interpreters:** Meghann Cassidy, Stephanie Vik

**Lighting Designer:** Braden Larsen

**Audio Engineer:** Donnie Hull

**Stage Manager:** Zack Humbee

**Production Assistants:** Anna Dorr, Alyssa Eppler, Sam Bergman

**Stagehand:** Logan Draper

**Spotlight Operators:** Dmitri Moon, Nick Lewis

**Video & Teleprompter Services:** CTI - Omaha

**Digital Program & Table Cards:** Ang R. Bennett

**Nominee & Award Slides:** Doug Meigs

**Hosts' & Trophy Handlers' Wardrobe:** ShowHaus

**Zedeka Poindexter's Wardrobe:** Eloquii.com

**Samantha McKussick's Wardrobe:** ShowHause

**Show Photography:** Heather Hooton of Hooton Images, Debra S. Kaplan

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**Awards ORDER with NOMINEE NAMES**

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**Awards BATCH 1** *following Parfait & Friends and The Weisenheimers*

**MUSIC** *Batch 2*

Outstanding Punk

BIB  
R.A.F.  
Noizewave  
Blondo  
Las Cruces  
Cat Piss  
Ghostlike  
Garst  
Stronghold

Outstanding Sound Engineer

Dan Brennan  
Charlie Ames  
Braden Larsen  
Jim Schroeder  
Corey Korth  
Ben Stratton  
Ella Novak  
Jay Wilcher

Outstanding DJ

Crabrangucci  
DJ Nativo  
Surreal the MC  
Ogi Kidd  
DJ Shor-T  
Angie Spence  
Brent Crampton  
Sharkweek  
DJ El Ness

Outstanding Recording Studio

Icon One Recording Studio  
Make Believe Studios  
Another Recording Company/ARC Studios  
Rainbow Recording Studios  
The Scribden Den  
The Lab Recording Studio  
Hidden Tracks Recording Studio

Outstanding Hard Rock

Before We Die  
The Impulsive  
Beast Eagle  
Arson City  
Wake Sessions  
Evandale

Outstanding Pop

Ebba Rose  
Levee  
Nugz  
Jocelyn  
Mad Darling  
Rike  
Sand  
Victoria Ortega





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**PERFORMING ARTS** *Batch 1*

Outstanding Comedian

October (Ocho) De la Rosa

Ben Webb

Rachel Ware

Lavetti Vegas

Jeremy Plumb

Tyrel Frazier

Outstanding Lighting Design

Aaron Spracklin - *Beauty and the Beast* - Loft Community Theatre

Chelsea Greenway - *The Inheritance* - Voices in Alliance

Sierra Smith - *Red Riding Hood* - Rose Theater

Brendan Newby, Sean Gardner, & Jack O'Connell - *Descendants the Musical* - Elkhorn Community Theatre

Jacy Rook - *A Chorus Line* - Chanticleer Theater

Joey Lorincz - *The Prom* - Bellevue Little Theatre

Steven Williams - *Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde* - UNO Theater

Reece McAdams - *Crazy For You* - Papillion Area Community Theatre

Outstanding Prop Design

Devon Denn-Young - *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* - Rose Theater

Angie Benes & Erin Cejka - *Descendants the Musical* - Elkhorn Community Theatre

Riley Pope & Adam Fulbright - *On Golden Pond* - Chanticleer Theatre

Erienne McCabe & Jerry Murtaugh - *The Wizard of Oz* - Ralston Community Theatre

Ren Walther - *Red Riding Hood* - Rose Theater

Amy Reiner - *POTUS* - BLUEBARN Theatre

Andrew Morgan - *The Play That Goes Wrong* - Omaha Community Playhouse

Randall Stevens - *The Inheritance* - Voices in Alliance

Outstanding Supporting Actor - Musical

Jamie Luedtke - *Descendants the Musical* - Elkhorn Community Theatre

Nathaniel Poole-Chvatal - *The Great Kowalski Road Trip* - Florence Community Theatre

Carly Frolio - *Heathers the Musical* - SNAP! Productions

Adam Fulbright - *White Christmas* - Bellevue Little Theatre

Carli Tomac - *Chorus Line* - Chanticleer Theatre

James Pandis - *Table Grace the Musical* - Scottish Rite Masonic Center/Benson Theatre/Loft Community Theatre

Hannah Post - *White Christmas* - Bellevue Little Theatre

Mackenzie Zielke - *Hello, Dolly!* - Omaha Community Playhouse



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**PERFORMING ARTS** *Batch 1*

Outstanding Sound Design

- Joe Mokrycki - *White Christmas* - Bellevue Little Theatre
- Bill Kirby - *More of a Heart* - BLUEBARN Theatre
- Ryan Simeone & Ridley Doubet - *The Outsiders* - Rave On Productions
- Lacey Grabowski - *Crazy For You* - Papillion Area Community Theatre
- Christy Hernandez - *Red Riding Hood* - Rose Theater
- Bill Pulte & Ryan Pochop - *Descendants the Musical* - Elkhorn Community Theatre
- Bill Kirby - *The Great Leap* - BLUEBARN Theatre
- Joe Mokrycki - *Agnes* - Bellevue Little Theatre

Outstanding Supporting Actor - Play

- Nina Washington - *POTUS* - BLUEBARN Theatre
- Kirk Adams - *Errorplane* - Florence Community Theatre
- Brett Foster - *The Inheritance* - Voices in Alliance
- John F. Carroll - *The Inheritance* - Voices in Alliance
- JJ Davis - *The Sunshine Express* - Lofte Community Theatre
- Claire Mahoney - *Radium Girls* - Lofte Community Theatre
- Kerry Forrester - *Chicken & Biscuits* - Omaha Community Playhouse

**VISUAL ARTS** *Batch 1*

Outstanding Visual Artist

- Michael Zimmerman
- Hanna Demma
- Sarah Rowe
- Bart Vargas
- Buck Christensen
- Rachel Mindrup

Outstanding New Media

- Michael Zimmerman
- Reagan D. Pufall
- Sener
- Tim Guthrie
- Katie Goosen
- Alex Myers
- Weston Thomson

Outstanding Two-Person Show

- Point of View* - Gregory D. Brown & Annie Troe - Artists' Cooperative Gallery
- Between Want and Should* - Sheree Le'Shawn & Mary Ensz - BFF Gallery
- Cow Parts* - Wendy Weiss & Jay Kreimer - Project Project
- Near and Far* - Gretchen Peters & Paula Wallace - Fred Simon Gallery

**John Heaston Cultural Stewardship Award** - Michelle Troxclair & Felicia Casher - VERBAL GUMBO

*End of Awards Batch 1*



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### Awards BATCH 2 following *Carver Jones & the American Dreamers*

#### **PERFORMING ARTS** Batch 2

##### Youth Performer

Kolby Tighe - *Descendants the Musical* - Elkhorn Community Theatre  
Vienna Maas - *White Christmas* - Bellevue Little Theatre  
Brinlee Roeder - *The Outsiders* - Benson Theatre  
Landon Backhaus - *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* - Rose Theatre  
Lainey Kauffman - *The Outsiders* - Rave On Productions  
Pieper Roeder - *The Outsiders* - Benson Theatre  
Zion Bailey - *Mister K's Toy Chest of Dreams* - Benson Theatre  
Maya Bartee - *Beautiful: The Carole King Musical* - Omaha Community Playhouse

##### Music Direction

Liz Stuntman - *White Christmas* - Bellevue Little Theatre  
Jim Boggess - *Beautiful* - Omaha Community Playhouse  
Laureen Pickle - *The Prom* - Bellevue Little Theatre  
Benji Pettiford - *Beauty and the Beast* - Loft Community Theatre  
Jim Boggess - *Hello, Dolly!* - Omaha Community Playhouse  
Jerry Brabec - *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* - Rose Theater  
Boston Reid - *Crazy For You* - Papillion Area Community Theatre  
Ryan Pochop - *Descendants the Musical* - Elkhorn Community Theatre

##### Outstanding Scenic Design

Jim Othuse - *Hello, Dolly!* - Omaha Community Playhouse  
Diane Lemen - *The Great Kowalski Road Trip* - Florence Community Theatre  
Dale Hartshorn - *Heathers the Musical* - SNAP! Productions  
Joey Lorincz - *The Wizard of Oz* - Ralston Community Theatre  
Jude Knipper, Sean Gardner, & John Ferguson - *Descendants the Musical* - Elkhorn Community Theatre  
Steven Williams - *Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde* - UNO Theater  
Joey Lorincz - *On Golden Pond* - Chanticleer Theatre  
Craig Lee - *More of a Heart* - BLUEBARN Theatre

##### Outstanding Actor - Play

Kirk Adams - *The Tale-Tale Farce* - Florence Community Theatre  
Sara Scheidies - *Agnes of God* - Bellevue Little Theatre  
Amanda Charles - *Radium Girls* - Loft Community Theatre  
Carina DuMarce - *Red Riding Hood* - Rose Theater  
Eric Grant-Leanna - *The Inheritance* - Voices in Alliance  
Lainey Kauffman - *The Outsiders* - Rave On Productions  
Nathaniel Poole - *The Tale-Tale Farce* - Florence Community Theatre  
Nick Herink - *The Mousetrap* - Loft Community Theatre



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**PERFORMING ARTS** *Batch 2*

Outstanding Dance Soloist

Kogan Murphy - *American Midwest Ballet* - Hoff Family Arts & Culture Center/Orpheum Theater  
Maria Overton - *Nutcracker Delights* - Ever After Productions/Anderson Performing Arts Center  
Bee Hampton - *White Christmas* - Bellevue Little Theatre  
Maggie Wadginski - *Nutcracker Delights* - Ever After Productions/Anderson Performing Arts Center  
Leah Kressin - *Of Darkness and Dreams* - Omaha Fringe Festival  
Alison Schiller - *A Chorus Line* - Chanticleer Theater  
Molly Farrington - *Evergreen Dance Company* - The Garden Theater

Outstanding Actor - Musical

Kirk Adams - *The Great Kowalski Road Trip* - Florence Community Theatre  
Riley Pope - *The Prom* - Bellevue Little Theatre  
Kerron Stark - *Mister K's Toy Chest of Dreams* - Benson Theatre  
Aaron Lawrence - *Crazy For You* - Papillion Area Community Theatre  
Wayne Hudson - *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* - Rose Theater  
John Arndorff - *The Secret Garden* - Mills Masquers  
Nick Knipe - *Heathers the Musical* - SNAP! Productions  
Michaela Winje - *Descendants the Musical* - Elkhorn Community Theatre  
Keanu Moore - *Descendants the Musical* - Elkhorn Community Theatre

**VISUAL ARTS** *Batch 2*

Outstanding Youth Artist

Inara Seavey  
Jay Heuertz  
Diamond Smith  
Lola Warren  
Delaney Focht

Outstanding 2D Artist

Daniel Henery-Cavanaugh  
Courtney Kenny Porto  
Dan Crane  
Hanna Demma  
Watie White  
Jeff Sedrel  
Jada Messick

Outstanding 3D Artist

Lily Stennis-Vinson  
Lee Emma Running  
Susan Woodford  
Jamie Burmeister  
Sarah Hummel Jones



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**MUSIC** *Batch 2*

Outstanding Youth Musician

- True Blues
- UNT.I.L
- School of Rock House Band
- The Redwoods
- Vertigo Blues Band
- BluesEd Roots Band
- The Alterr
- Blackbird Rock Co.
- Zaiyon

Outstanding Hip-Hop

- M34N STR33T
- J. Crum
- Conny Franko
- Jay Influential
- Taebo Tha Truth
- C10
- Dread & Strange
- Bobo Thuh BreadBoy
- Xeno Zeus
- Lite Pole

Outstanding Alt/Indie

- Wedding
- Neva Dinova
- Velvet Velvet
- Bug Heaven
- Twinsmith
- Little Brazil
- Ojai
- Bad Self Portraits

Outstanding Soul

- Big Wade and Black Swan Theory
- Ria Gold
- Dani Cleveland
- Kevin McClure
- Ren-zealous
- Leslie Palensky
- Jaguar James

Outstanding Country

- Owen Justice
- Nick Rucker
- Damon Wolf & The Wandering
- Kaylyn Sahs
- Pony Creek
- Tyler Anthony
- Sack of Lions
- Daniel C. & The Hometown Heroes
- Chad Lee

Outstanding Blues

- The Rex Granite Band featuring Sarah Benck
- Steve Lovett
- Josh Hoyer
- Blue House with the Rent To Own Horns
- Kris Lager
- Hector Anchondo
- Emily Bass

**Performing Arts Lifetime Achievement Award** - Dick Mueller - FIREHOUSE DINNER THEATRE

*End of Awards Batch 2*

**Performance by The Rex Granite Band with Sarah Benck**

**INTERMISSION**



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**Awards BATCH 3** *following Nebraska State Poet Jewel Rodgers*

**MUSIC** *Batch 3*

Outstanding New Artist

The Burgundy Boys  
The Dirts  
Madeline Reddel  
Eddie North  
Size Queen  
Austin Mitchell & The Crew  
Saving Fiona  
Wood Hoops  
Carver Jones  
Sundown Effect

Outstanding Progressive Rock/Experimental

Vempire  
Funkmammoth  
Jeff in Leather  
Specter Poetics  
Stacey Barelos  
Secret Formula  
Cowgirl Eastern  
Ex Lover  
Flux Amuck  
Plack Blague  
Dream Ghoul  
The Midland Band  
Wyrwood

Outstanding Jazz

TalFission  
Mitch Towne  
Chad Stoner  
Susie Thorne  
Matt Wallace  
NOMA House Band  
Luigi Inc  
Ed Archibald

Outstanding Americana/Folk

VVilloughby  
Steady Wells  
Scott Severin & Stateleigh Holmes  
The Wildwoods  
Jeremy Mercy & the Rapture Orphans  
The Muirs  
The Bedrock  
McCarthy Trenching  
Midwest Dilemma  
Matt Cox

Outstanding Cover Band

Parfait  
Simplicated  
The Radio Eclectic  
Secret Weapon  
The Damones  
Powder Blue  
Pet Rock  
Lemon Fresh Day  
Chop Suey  
Them Uke Boys

Outstanding Metal

The Tale Untold  
Neo Sol  
Iced Wrist  
Molten  
Viscerous



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#### **PERFORMING ARTS** *Batch 3*

##### Outstanding New Local Script

*Table Grace the Musical* - Simone G. Weber & Jay V. Gish - Scottish Rite Masonic Center/Benson Theatre/Lofte Community Theatre

*The Great Kowalski Road Trip* - Derek Kwal - Florence Community Theatre

*Mister K's Toy Chest of Dreams* - Kerron Stark - Benson Theatre

*Style Thief Fashion Show* - Erin Stoll - Rave On Productions

*Those Two are Definitely Getting Murdered* - Kaitlyn Rudeen - SNAP! Productions

*Sex Shop in the Middle of Nowhere* - Jade Habron - Benson Theatre

*Night at the Farm: A Bedtime Party* - Jackie Kappes - Rose Theater

##### Outstanding Director - Musical

Jack O'Connell - *Descendants the Musical* - Elkhorn Community Theatre

Joey Hartshorn - *Heathers the Musical* - SNAP! Productions

Derek Kowal & Cecilia Sass - *The Great Kowalski Road Trip* - Florence Community Theatre

Todd Uhrmacher - *The Prom* - Bellevue Little Theatre

Mackenzie Zielke - *White Christmas* - Bellevue Little Theatre

Susie Baer Collins - *Hello, Dolly!* - Omaha Community Playhouse

Kerron Stark - *Mister K's Toy Chest of Dreams* - Benson Theatre

Alex Rodriguez - *Cabaret* - Omaha Community Playhouse

##### Outstanding Costume Design

Angela Benes - *Descendants the Musical* - Elkhorn Community Theatre

Leah Skorupa-Mezger - *White Christmas* - Bellevue Little Theatre

Lindsay Pape - *Hello, Dolly!* - Omaha Community Playhouse

Kristen Binder - *The Secret Garden* - Mills Masquers

Joey Hartshorn - *Heathers the Musical* - SNAP! Productions

Leah Skorupa-Mezger - *The Wizard of Oz* - Ralston Community Theatre

Amie James - *The Inheritance* - Voices in Alliance

Leah Skorupa-Mezger - *The Prom* - Bellevue Little Theatre

##### Outstanding Choreographer

Lisa Grabowski - *Descendants the Musical* - Elkhorn Community Theatre

Jason DeLong - *Oliver Jr.* - Chanticleer Community Theatre

Debbie Massey-Schneweis - *White Christmas* - Bellevue Little Theatre

Becca Schmucker - *Beauty and the Beast* - Lofte Community Theatre

Kerri Jo Richardson-Watts - *A Chorus Line* - Chanticleer Theater

Olivia Cano - *Heathers the Musical* - SNAP! Productions

Courtney Cairncross - *Night At the Farm* - Rose Theater

Michelle Garrity - *Hello, Dolly!* - Omaha Community Playhouse

Alex Rodriguez - *Cabaret* - Omaha Community Playhouse



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Outstanding Director - Play

Molly Anderson - *The Tell-Tale Farce* - Florence Community Theatre  
Kimberly Faith Hickman - *The Outsiders* - Rave On Productions  
Kevin Colbert - *Radium Girls* - Loft Community Theatre  
Randall Stevens - *The Inheritance* - Voices in Alliance  
Jon Flower - *Agnes of God* - Bellevue Little Theatre  
Matt Gutschick - *Red Riding Hood* - Rose Theater  
Denise Chapman - *Sweet* - Great Plains Theatre Commons  
Wai Yim - *The Great Leap* - BLUEBARN Theatre

Outstanding Performance Poet

Jewel Rodgers  
Trac Schact  
Matt Mason  
Allen Stevenson  
Ben Wenzl

**VISUAL ARTS** *Batch 3*

Outstanding Emerging Visual Artist

Tateyna Jones  
Gregory D. Brown  
Oria Simonini  
Alyssa Schmitt  
Eduardo Gardea  
Natori Pittman  
Lily Stennis-Vinson

Outstanding Presentation in a Non-Traditional Format

*Garden Apartment* - Joelle Wellansa Sandfort, Will Anderson, Sarah Hummel Jones, Dan Crane & Casey Callahan - The Barn in the Back  
*The Understory* - Things I Tell You & David Carney - MAMO Gallery  
*Phonoptics* - Weston Thomson - Kiewit Luminarium  
*Collective Departures* - Nolan Tredway - MAMO Gallery

Outstanding Photographer

Abiola Kosoko  
Gregory D. Brown  
Buck Christensen  
Kate Glass  
Joe Addison  
Chris Holtmeier  
Kevin Kabore

**Visual Arts Lifetime Achievement - Therman Statom**

**Music Lifetime Achievement - Joey & Tony Gulizia**

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**Awards BATCH 4** following 'In Memoriam Tribute'

**PERFORMING ARTS** *Batch 4*

Outstanding Comedy Ensemble

*Yer Mom's Comedy Show*

*The WuW Show*

*Tears on the Podium*

*Big Canvas*

*SaturTEEN Night Live, McGuigan Arts Academy*

*Dad Jokes*

*Pandemic! @ the Disco*

*Quick Draw Comedy*

Outstanding Dance Production

*Cinderella - American Midwest Ballet - Hoff Family Arts & Culture Center / Orpheum Theater*

*Nutcracker Delights - Ever After Productions - Anderson Performing Arts Center*

*What's the Rush - Vox Dance Collective - Omaha Fringe Festival*

*Line in Time - TBD Dance Collective - Bemis Park*

*Erté the Ballet - Connie Hinman - The Benson Theatre*

*Of Darkness and Dreams - Erica Lohman - Omaha Fringe Festival*

*Mary - Evergreen Dance Company - The Garden Theater*

*The Nutcracker - American Midwest Ballet - Hoff Family Arts & Culture Center/Orpheum Theater*

Outstanding Drama

*Julius Caesar - Old School Shakespeare Omaha*

*More of a Heart - BLUEBARN Theatre*

*The Outsiders - Benson Theatre/Rave On Productions*

*The Inheritance - Voices in Alliance*

*Agnes of God - Bellevue Little Theatre*

*Radium Girls - Loft Community Theatre*

*The Great Leap - BLUEBARN Theatre*

*Sweet - Great Plains Theatre Commons*

Outstanding Musical

*Descendants the Musical - Elkhorn Community Theatre*

*The Great Kowalski Road Trip - Florence Community Theatre*

*The Prom - Bellevue Little Theatre*

*Mister K's Toy Chest of Dreams - Benson Theatre*

*Crazy For You - Papillion Area Community Theatre*

*Hello, Dolly! - Omaha Community Playhouse*

*Beauty and the Beast - Loft Community Theatre*

*Heathers the Musical - SNAP! Productions*



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**PERFORMING ARTS** *Batch 4*

Outstanding Comedy

*A Midsummer Night's Dream - Old School Shakespeare Omaha*

*The Tell-Tale Farce - Florence Community Theatre*

*The Play That Goes Wrong - Omaha Community Playhouse*

*POTUS: Or, Behind Every Great Dumbass Are Seven Women Trying to Keep Him Alive - BLUEBARN Theatre*

*Errorplane - Florence Community Theatre*

*Barefoot in the Park - Bellevue Little Theatre*

*Chicken & Biscuits - Omaha Community Playhouse*

*Red Riding Hood - Rose Theater*

**VISUAL ARTS** *Batch 4*

Outstanding Public Art

*Starseeds - Sarah Rowe - Ardent Mills Silos*

*Skatefest Ramp - Thomas Halbur - Walnut Hill*

*Omaha Summer Arts Festival Mural Cubes*

*Malcolm X Hall of Fame - Nathan Murray - Nebraska State Capitol Building*

*Omaha Performing Arts Mural - Hugo Zamorano with Completely Kids at Jackson Elementary, the Intercultural Senior Center, Joslyn's Kent Bellows Mentoring Program, BFF & Pops Midtown Boxing - Tenaska Center for Arts Engagement*

*Tile Mural - Watie White - Boys Town*

Outstanding Solo Show

*Afro Expressions - Lily Stennis-Vinson - African American Arts Gallery*

*Opera Coat - Lee Running - KANEKO*

*Balancing Act - Alyssa Schmitt - Project Project*

*I Was Here: Bearded Woman - Kate Glass - Link Gallery*

*Landscapes - Reagan D Pufall - Lauritzen Gardens*

*MASS - Natori Pittman - Radial Arts Center*

*Across the Abyss - Santiago Cal - Fred Simon Gallery*

Outstanding Group Show

*Collage Nebraska - organized by Carol Fettin & Lori Elliott-Bartle - Hot Shops Art Center*

*Frida y Diego Community Art Show - organized by Wicked Raven Productions & Opera Omaha - Joslyn Castle and Gardens*

*A Portrait of Medical Humanities - Creighton University Lied Gallery*

*BOLD is Back - organized by Courtney Kenny Porto - Bancroft Street Market*

*Drawing Machines - David Carney, Tim Guthrie & Michael Zimmerman - Split Gallery*

*Arts for ME! Spring Exhibition - KANEKO*



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**MUSIC Batch 4**

Outstanding R&B

Enjoli & Timeless  
E Rawq  
Keiria Marsha  
Jus.B  
Wakanda One  
Vibe Check  
Tylynn  
Mesonjixx

Outstanding World

Edem  
Omkara  
Omaha Beat Brigade  
Alexis Arai  
Rhythm Collective  
Esencia Latina Band  
Andy William & The Nebraska All Stars  
Kusher Snazzy

Album of the Year

Vempire - *Your Steps*  
Mitch Gettman - *Tilde*  
Funkmammoth - *Life's Delights*  
Wyrnwood - *Jump in the Water*  
The Rex Granite Band featuring Sarah Benck - *The Long Hello*  
Jack - *Sad Songs in C Major*  
Virgin Mary Pistol Grip - *Where Time Went*  
Mike Semrad & The Riverhawks - *Happiness*  
David Nance - *David Nance & Mowed Sound*  
Neo Sol - *Requiem for Desire*  
King Iso - *iLLdren*

Outstanding Rock

Public Figure  
Feel Good  
Cable Network  
Alyeska  
The Real Zebos  
Gallivant  
Names Without Numbers  
Mitch Gettman  
Zach Adkins  
Indian Caves

Artist of the Year

Neva Dinova  
King Iso  
Josh Hoyer & Soul Colossal  
Crabrangucci  
Taebo Tha Truth  
Hector Anchondo  
The Tale Untold  
Big Wade & Black Swan Theory  
Kris Lager & the Assembly of Assassins  
Enjoli & Timeless