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NOMINATIONS ANNOUNCED FOR THE 11TH ANNUAL JERRY HERMAN AWARDS



11TH ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL THEATRE AWARDS CEREMONY WILL BE HOSTED AT THE RICARDO MONTALBAN THEATRE · SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2023

Monday, May 22, 2023 – Today, the Nederlander Organization and Broadway in Hollywood announced the nominees for **THE 11TH ANNUAL JERRY HERMAN AWARDS**, a celebration of the achievement and excellence in high school musical theatre in Los Angeles.

This celebrated annual awards show will take place at **The Ricardo Montalban Theatre** on **Sunday, June 4, 2023, at 7pm**. KABC 7 entertainment reporter **George Pennacchio** will serve as the Master of Ceremonies for the evening. Participating student nominees will audition over the course of two days earlier that same week before a panel of judges consisting of **Kenny Ortega, Sharline Liu, Lewis Wilkenfeld, Connie Jackson, Jeff Loeb, and Cathy Rigby**.

Tickets for **THE JERRY HERMAN AWARDS** will go on private sale directly through the Arts Administration points of contact affiliated with each participating high school this **Friday, May 26th at 12pm**. **ALL TICKETS ARE \$29 EACH**. Students, friends, and families are encouraged to reach out to their school's respective arts administrator regarding access to tickets.

Each year, **THE JERRY HERMAN AWARDS** invites four of the participating high schools to perform production numbers during the awards ceremony. This year's show will feature performances from **Palos Verdes High School** (*Something Rotten!*), **Windward School** (*Spring Awakening*), **Oaks Christian School** (*Fiddler on the Roof*), and **Ambassador Christian School** (*Guys & Dolls*).

THE 11TH ANNUAL JERRY HERMAN AWARDS is produced by **Benny Aguayo**. Musical Direction is by **Benet Braun** with Musical Staging by **Dana Solimando** and Production Stage Management by **John Galo**.

All schools participating in **THE JERRY HERMAN AWARDS** are given the opportunity to send a leading actress and leading actor to audition before a panel of judges, who determine the winner of the Best Actor and Best Actress categories. Winners in these two awards categories will represent Los Angeles at *The National High School Musical Theatre Awards* in New York City, where they will participate in a week-long workshop and eventually compete for the coveted "Jimmy" Award; named after the late James M. Nederlander.

Nominations for the 11th Annual Jerry Herman Awards

During a seven-month period this school year, 33 eligible high school productions were either attended in person or judged virtually by adjudicators, and scored in multiple creative, technical and performance categories, much like Broadway's Tony® Awards. The list of nominees for the 11th Annual **JERRY HERMAN AWARDS** are:

BEST SCENIC DESIGN

Calabasas HS | *Singin' in the Rain*
Oaks Christian HS | *Fiddler on the Roof*
Diamond Bar HS | *Frozen*
Oakwood School | *Little Shop of Horrors*
Glendora HS | *Little Shop of Horrors*
Viewpoint School | *Grease*

BEST COSTUME DESIGN

Calabasas HS | *Singin' in the Rain*
Diamond Bar HS | *Frozen*
Notre Dame Academy | *Little Shop of Horrors*
Oaks Christian HS | *Fiddler on the Roof*
Archer School for Girls | *Into the Woods*
Palos Verdes HS | *Something Rotten*

BEST ENSEMBLE OR CHORUS

Windward HS | *Spring Awakening*
Milken Community School | *Rock of Ages*
Palos Verdes HS | *Something Rotten*
John Burroughs HS | *Rent*
Ambassador Christian School | *Guys and Dolls*
Covina HS | *Urinetown*
Charter Oak HS | *Singin' in the Rain*

BEST MUSICAL DIRECTION

John Burroughs HS | *Rent*
Providence HS | *Grease*
Palos Verdes HS | *Something Rotten*
Viewpoint School | *Grease*
Artes Magnet School | *Something Rotten!*
Redondo Union HS | *Les Misérables*

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR

LACHSA | *Sweeney Todd*
Jesse McBride as Tobias
Windward HS | *Spring Awakening*
Cole Kaller as Moritz
Ramon C Cortines | *Something Rotten!*
Baz Felber as Nigel Bottom
Milken School | *Rock of Ages*
Mason Hill as Franz
Oakwood | *Little Shop of Horrors*
Jackson Raines as Orin
Palos Verdes HS | *Something Rotten!*
Caiden Falstrup-Finney as Shakespeare

BEST LIGHTING DESIGN

Santa Susana HS | *Matilda*
Wildwood School | *Les Misérables*
Agoura HS | *The Little Mermaid*
Oak Park HS | *The Addams Family*
Calabasas HS | *Singin' in the Rain*
Monrovia HS | *Urinetown*

BEST ORCHESTRA

John Burroughs HS | *Rent*
Santa Monica HS | *The Drowsy Chaperone*
Oak Park HS | *The Addams Family*
Calabasas HS | *Singin' in the Rain*
Diamond Bar HS | *Frozen*
Redondo Union HS | *Les Misérables*

BEST MUSICAL STAGING & CHOREOGRAPHY

Harts Academy | *Mary Poppins*
John Burroughs HS | *Rent*
Santa Susana HS | *Matilda*
Saugus HS | *Cinderella*
Chadwick School | *Fame*
Grace Brethren HS | *Newsies*

BEST TECHNICAL CREW

Providence HS | *Grease*
Flintridge Sacred Heart | *Sweeney Todd*
Windward HS | *Spring Awakening*
Archer School for Girls | *Into the Woods*
Milken Community School | *Rock of Ages*
Immaculate Heart HS | *Newsies*

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS

Santa Monica HS | *The Drowsy Chaperone*
Haley Mullane as Trix
Oaks Christian HS | *Fiddler on the Roof*
Emerson West as Golde
Santa Susana HS | *Matilda*
Emma Minevich as Mrs. Wormwood
Viewpoint School | *Grease*
Violet Kaltman as Jan
Ramon C. Cortines HS | *Something Rotten!*
Lily Rose Silver as Portia
Redondo Union HS | *Les Misérables*
Viviana Garcia, Eponine

“NO SMALL PARTS” AWARD

Chadwick School | *Fame*
Ava Dejong as Iris Kelly
Agoura HS | *The Little Mermaid*
Ashley Tannenbaum as Scuttle
Santa Susana | *Matilda*
Lucas Panczel as Ruldolpho/ Parent
Ramon C. Cortines HS | *Something Rotten!*
Daisy Sklar as Shylock
Viewpoint School | *Grease*
Jake Roth as Teen Angel

BEST PRODUCTION

Oaks Christian HS | *Fiddler on the Roof*
Windward HS | *Spring Awakening*
Saugus HS | *Cinderella*
Palos Verdes HS | *Something Rotten!*
Diamond Bar HS | *Frozen*
Redondo Union HS | *Les Misérables*

For a full list of competing high schools and breakdown of nominations, please visit www.JerryHermanAwards.com.

THE JERRY HERMAN AWARDS would like to extend special thanks to **Gilbert Smith** with **The Ricardo Montalban Theatre** for use of their beautiful theatre for auditions, rehearsals, and our awards show performance.

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THE JERRY HERMAN AWARDS has a run time of 2 Hours and 45 Minutes and is recommended for all ages. (Please note that in consideration of audiences, no one under 5 years of age will be admitted to the theatre.)

For more information on **THE JERRY HERMAN AWARDS**, please visit www.JerryHermanAwards.com.

For tickets or more information about **THE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL THEATRE AWARDS**, please visit www.nhsmta.com.

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LISTINGS INFORMATION

Date and Time:	SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2023 AT 7PM
Theatre:	RICARDO MONTALBAN THEATRE 1615 Vine St Los Angeles, CA 90028
Running Time:	2 Hours and 45 Minutes (Includes One 15 Minute Intermission)
Parental Advisory:	Recommended for All Ages <i>In consideration of audiences, no one under 5 admitted to the theatre</i>
Tickets:	For information on ticket availability and prices for THE JERRY HERMAN AWARDS , please contact the Arts Administration affiliated with each of the nominated high schools.

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