

High School Theater Awards
2008 Winners

Outstanding Overall Production of a Musical

Rye Neck H.S.
Cats

Outstanding Achievement by a Director

Ramsey H.S.
Once Upon a Mattress
Doug Gipple

Outstanding Performance by an Actress in a Leading Role

Ramsey H.S.
Once Upon a Mattress
Leea Borst

Outstanding Performance by an Actor in a Leading Role - Tie

Blind Brook H.S.
Fiddler on the Roof
Andrew Benowich (Tevye)

Pleasantville H.S.
Fiddler on the Roof
Anthony da Costa (Tevye)

Outstanding Performance by an Actress in a Supporting Role

Rockland Country Day School
Oklahoma!
Hailey Fyfe

Outstanding Performance by an Actor in a Supporting Role

Hastings H.S.
City of Angels
Niko Gelfars

Outstanding Vocal Performance - Tie

Blind Brook H.S.
Fiddler on the Roof
Scott Winston

Pascack Hills
Damn Yankees
Kim Giordano

Outstanding Dramatic Performance

St. Joseph Reg. H.S.
West Side Story
Ryan Mati

Outstanding Featured Dancer

Spring Valley H.S.

Crazy for You

Alexander Domini

Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble Group

St. Joseph Reg. H.S.

West Side Story

Brendan Hall, Michael Peer, Brian Doyle, John-Christopher Record, Taylor Popielarz, Matthew Pereira, Matt DePietro, Joseph Hall, Steven Simone, Derek Scheeler (The Jets)

Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble Member

Blind Brook H.S.

Fiddler on the Roof

Kelsey Crandall (Fruma Sarah)

Outstanding Performance by a Chorus

Fairlawn H.S.

Merrily We Roll Along

Outstanding Performance by an Orchestra

Suffern H.S.

The Sound of Music

Outstanding Musical Direction

Rye Neck H.S.

Cats

Steven Loftus Cats

Outstanding Achievement in Choreography

Don Bosco Prep

Bye Bye Birdie

Kimberly Galberaith

Outstanding Achievement in Scenic Design

St. Joseph Reg. H.S.

West Side Story

Joe Egan

Outstanding Achievement in Costume Design

Northern Highlands H.S.

Beauty and the Beast

Denise Higgins-Regan

Mary Welton

Outstanding Achievement in Lighting Design

Rye Neck H.S.

Cats

Kyle Kegan

Outstanding Stage Crew

Archbishop Stepinac H.S.

Singin' in the Rain

Outstanding Achievement in Graphic Design

River Dell Reg. H.S.

High School Musical

Annie Arjarasumpan

Outstanding Lobby Display

Ramsey H.S.

Once Upon a Mattress

Sarah Calogero and the Art Club

Child Actor

Don Bosco Prep

Bye Bye Birdie

Mary Kate Kelly

Achievement in Technical Production

Stephen Ferri (Technical Director)

Miss Saigon

Harrison H.S.

High School Theater Awards 2008 Nominations

Outstanding Overall Production of a Musical

Archbishop Stepinac Singin' in the Rain
Pleasantville H.S. Fiddler on the Roof
Ramsey H.S. Once Upon a Mattress
Rye Neck H.S. Cats
St. Joseph Reg. H.S. West Side Story

Outstanding Achievement by a Director

Archbishop Stepinac H.S. Singin' in the Rain Frank Portanova
Blind Brook H.S. Fiddler on the Roof Christina Colangelo
Fair Lawn H.S. Merrily We Roll Along John Giresi
Pleasantville H.S. Fiddler on the Roof Kathleen Donovan-Warren
Ramsey H.S. Once Upon a Mattress Doug Gipple
Rye Neck H.S. Cats Patricia Rinelli

Outstanding Performance by an Actress in a Leading Role

Academy of Holy Angels Crazy for You Margaret Dudasik (Polly Baker)
Northern Highlands H.S. Beauty and the Beast Ashley Albrecht (Belle)
Paramus H.S. Man of La Mancha Erica Nadera (Aldonza/Dulcinea)
Putnam Valley H.S. West Side Story Michelle Tendy (Maria)
Ramsey H.S. Once Upon a Mattress Leea Borst (Winnifred)
Tappan Zee H.S. Iolanthe Amanda Rossi (Phyllis)

Outstanding Performance by an Actor in a Leading Role

Blind Brook H.S. Fiddler on the Roof Andrew Benowich (Tevye)
Clarkstown South H.S. Joseph... Barry Nelson (Joseph)
Hastings H.S. City of Angels Alex Walton (Stone)
New Rochelle H.S. Evan Grotevant (Coalhouse Walker Jr.)
Pleasantville H.S. Fiddler on the Roof Anthony da Costa (Tevye)
St. Joseph Reg. H.S. West Side Story Brian Walters (Tony)
Tuckahoe H.S. Barnum Chris Ingrao (PT Barnum)

Outstanding Performance by an Actress in a Supporting Role

Northern Highlands H.S. Beauty and the Beast Kristin Macri (Mrs. Potts)
Pascack Hills H.S. Damn Yankees Elizabeth Frasciello (Gloria Thorpe)
Ramsey H.S. Once Upon a Mattress Erica Wiederlight (Queen Aggravain)
Rockland Country Day School Oklahoma! Hailey Fyfe (Ado Annie)
Rye H.S. Li'l Abner Danielle Reidenberg (Mammy Yokum)
Saddle River Day School Footloose Morgan Assante (Rusty)

Outstanding Performance by an Actor in a Supporting Role

Edgemont H.S. A Funny Thing Happened... Chase Klein (Hysterium)
Fair Lawn H.S. Merrily We Roll Along – Alex Kahn (Charley Kringas)
Hastings H.S. City of Angels - Niko Gelfars (Buddy/Irving)
Ramsey H.S. Once Upon a Mattress Alex Hestvik (King Sextimus)
Suffern H.S. The Sound of Music Scott Galina (Max Detweiler)
Tappan Zee H.S. Iolanthe Ryan Norris (Lord Tolloller)

Outstanding Vocal Performance

Archbishop Stepinac H.S. Singin' in the Rain – Danielle Dallacco (Kathy Selden)

Blind Brook H.S. Fiddler on the Roof Scott Winston (Motel)
Briarcliff H.S. Kiss Me Kate Michelle Rubich (Lois/Bianca)
Hastings H.S. City of Angels Allie DiMona (Gabby/Bobbi)
Mahwah H.S. Aida Sarah Moyer (Aida)
Pascack Hill H.S. Damn Yankees Kim Giordano (Meg Boyd)
Rye H.S. Li'l Abner Robbie Keller (Dexter)

Outstanding Dramatic Performance

Archbishop Stepinac H.S. Singin' in the Rain Meaghan McGrath (Lina Lamont)
Iona Prep Clue: The Musical Emily Asaro (Miss Scarlet)
Port Chester H.S. Cabaret Elinor Reina (Fraulein Schneider)
St. Joseph Reg. H.S. West Side Story Ryan Mati (Lt. Schrank)
Tappan Zee H.S. Iolanthe Brett Herskowitz (Strephon)

Outstanding Featured Dancer

Academy of Holy Angels Crazy for You Analisa Cotter (Tess)
Archbishop Stepinac H.S. Singin' in the Rain Julian Amato (Cosmo Brown)
Blind Brook H.S. Fiddler on the Roof Rachel Polonsky (The Fiddler)
Rockland Country Day School Oklahoma! Isabelle McCalla (Specialty Dancer/ Gertie)
Spring Valley H.S. Crazy for You Alexander Domini (Bobby)
Woodlands H.S. Guys and Dolls Greg Colica (Nathan Detroit)

Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble Group

New Milford H.S. Thoroughly Modern Millie –
Jonell Robles & Leonard Perez (Ching Ho & Bun Foo)
Park Ridge H.S. Pajama Game –
Amy Burns, Caitlin Mintz, Kelsey Taomina, Samantha Bonizzi, Rachel Bartz, Emi Trachtenberg,
Katelyn, Nunberg, Jackie Masterson, Julianne Reich (Employees)
Westlake H.S. The Sound of Music –
Emily Buffum, Justin Thomas, Meagan Brauer, Danny Hammond, Amanda Petfield, Samantha
Sarno, Bailey Filmore, Sophia O'Halloran (The Von Trapp Children)
Port Chester H.S. Cabaret
Brittany Abel, Rocio DeLaRoca, Alyssa Pillinger, Taylor Quinn, Jennifer Sarmiento, Amanda Nadler,
Kiah Thomas, Danielle Grandazzo (Kit Kat Club)
Ramsey H.S. Once Upon a Mattress
Carisse Moy, Emily Orozco, Sarah Hammond (Ladies Rowena, Merrill and Lucille)
St. Joseph Reg. H.S. West Side Story
Brendan Hall, Michael Peer, Brian Doyle, John-Christopher Record, Taylor Popielarz, Matthew Pereira,
Matt DePietro, Joseph Hall, Steven Simone, Derek Scheeler (The Jets)

Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble Member

Blind Brook H.S. Fiddler on the Roof Kelsey Crandall (Fruma Sarah)
Briarcliff H.S. Kiss Me Kate Erica Goldstein (Dance Captain)
Clarkstown South H.S. Joseph... Ricky Jones (Simeon)
Park Ridge H.S. Pajama Game Caitlin Mintz (Poopsie)
Port Chester H.S. Cabaret Kiah Thomas (Helga)
St. Joseph Reg. H.S. West Side Story Brendan Hall (Action)

Outstanding Performance by a Chorus

Archbishop Stepinac H.S. Singin' in the Rain
Don Bosco Prep Bye Bye Birdie
Fair Lawn H.S. Merrily We Roll Along
Putnam Valley H.S. West Side Story

Ramsey H.S. Once Upon a Mattress
Rye Neck H.S. Cats

Outstanding Performance by an Orchestra

Fair Lawn H.S. Merrily We Roll Along
Mahwah H.S. Aida
River Dell H.S. High School Musical
Rye Neck H.S. Cats
Suffern H.S. The Sound of Music
Tappan Zee H.S. Iolanthe

Outstanding Musical Direction

Fair Lawn H.S. Merrily We Roll Along
Ossining H.S. Jekyll and Hyde Susan Kafer
Pleasantville H.S. Fiddler on the Roof Thomas Heintzelman
Rye Neck H.S. Cats Steven Loftus Cats
St. Joseph Reg. H.S. West Side Story Neil Berg
Tappan Zee H.S. Iolanthe Janice Tocco

Outstanding Achievement in Choreography

Academy of Holy Angels Crazy for You Colleen Cross
Archbishop Stepinac H.S. Singin' in the Rain Charlotte Newman
Don Bosco Prep Bye Bye Birdie Kimberly Galberaith
Pleasantville H.S. Fiddler on the Roof Jennifer Paulson Lee
Putnam Valley H.S. West Side Story Debbie Spahr
Spring Valley H.S. Crazy for You Stacey Tirro

Outstanding Achievement in Scenic Design

Archbishop Stepinac H.S. Singin' in the Rain – June Ricciardi
Emerson H.S. The Sound of Music Stephanie Shultz
Fair Lawn H.S. Merrily We Roll Along John Giresi & Joel C. Silver
Harrison H.S. Miss Saigon Michael Anania
Putnam Valley H.S. West Side Story – Kevin Gleason
St. Joseph Reg. H.S. West Side Story – Joe Egan

Outstanding Achievement in Costume Design

Archbishop Stepinac H.S. Singin' in the Rain Joe Manzo
Don Bosco Prep Bye Bye Birdie Irene Nayden, Peggy Hockenberry
Hastings H.S. City of Angels Penny Margeotes
Pleasantville H.S. Fiddler on the RoofDebbie Paruolo, Norma DeSousa
Iona Prep Clue: The Musical Tom Beck
Northern Highlands H.S. Beauty and the Beast Denise Higgins-Regan, Mary Welton

Outstanding Achievement in Lighting Design

Blind Brook H.S. Fiddler on the Roof Jac-que Robinson, Jason Kaye, Danielle Peets
Iona Prep Clue: The Musical Matt Rodriguez
New Milford H.S. Thoroughly Modern Millie George Milne
Putnam Valley H.S. West Side Story Kevin Gleason
Ramsey H.S. Once Upon a Mattress Jason Baumuller
Rye Neck H.S. Cats Kyle Kegan

Outstanding Stage Crew

Archbishop Stepinac H.S. Singin' in the Rain

Harrison H.S. Miss Saigon
Pleasantville H.S. Fiddler on the Roof
Rye Neck H.S. Cats
St. Joseph Reg. H.S. West Side Story

Outstanding Achievement in Graphic Design

Archbishop Stepinac H.S. Singin' in the Rain June Ricciardi
Hastings H.S. City of Angels
New Rochelle H.S. Ragtime Julie Rigano & Sophie Hirsh
Park Ridge H.S. Pajama Game Eric Parrasch
Port Chester H.S. Cabaret Mario Rodriguez, Maggie Rende
River Dell Reg. H.S. High School Musical Annie Arjarasumpan

Outstanding Achievement in Lobby Display

Northern Highlands H.S. Beauty and the Beast Anne Langan, Cindy Sherwood, Russ Sherwood
Park Ridge H.S. Pajama Game Jackie Villano, Danielle Villano, Kelsey Taormina, Katelyn Nunberg
Pascack Hills H.S. Damn Yankees Debi Plasker & Vicki Hedley
Port Chester H.S. Cabaret Mark Zizolfo, Theodore Schaefer
Ramsey H.S. Once Upon a Mattress Sarah Calogero and the Art Club
Woodlands H.S. Guys and Dolls Terry Pavone

Outstanding Child Actor

Archbishop Stepinac H.S. Singin' in the Rain Troy Trippichio (Young Cosmo)
Don Bosco Prep Bye Bye Birdie Mary Kate Kelly (Randi)
Eastchester H.S. Bye Bye Birdie Mark Cartolano (Randolph Macafee)
Harrison H.S. Miss Saigon George Miyajima (Tam)
Northern Highlands H.S. Beauty and the Beast Daniel McEntee (Chip)
Tuckahoe H.S. Barnum AJ Pope (Tom Thumb)

Outstanding Achievement in Technical Production (teacher's nomination)

Edgemont H.S. A Funny Thing Happened... Avra Kutcher Stage Manager
Harrison H.S. Miss Saigon Stephen Ferri Technical Director
Rockland Country Day School Oklahoma! Hailey Fyfe & Eliza Simpson Choreographers
Rockland Country Day School Oklahoma! Ian Heller Lighting Designer
Blind Brook H.S. Fiddler on the Roof Eddie Licitra Stage Manager
Port Chester H.S. Cabaret Mario Rodriguez Set Designer