

2019 Metropolitan High School Theater Awards

PERFORMANCE CATEGORIES:

Outstanding Overall Production

Bergen County Academies – Once Upon a Mattress
Harrison HS – Me and My Girl
New Rochelle HS – See Rock City and Other Destinations
Northern Valley Reg. HS Old Tappan – Chicago: High School Edition
Sleepy Hollow HS – Hello Dolly!
Walter Panas HS – Young Frankenstein

Actress in a Leading Role

Harrison HS – Me and My Girl – Christina Ledesma (Sally)
Immaculate Conception HS – Shrek the Musical – Rachel Zegler (Fiona)
Ramapo HS (NJ) – Young Frankenstein – Olivia Fornasieri (Inga)
Sleepy Hollow HS – Hello Dolly!- Ginger Sakarya (Dolly Gallagher Levi)
St. Joseph Reg. HS – Bright Star – Sarah Becker (Alice Murphy)
Westlake HS – The Addams Family - Lauren DeMartino (Wednesday)

Actor in a Leading Role

Alexander Hamilton HS – In the Heights – Taiyo Tatara (Usnavi)
North Rockland HS – Fiddler on the Roof – Stephen Rush (Teveye)
Ramapo HS (NJ) – Young Frankenstein – Cristian Puhlovsky (Frederick Frankenstein)
Ramsey HS – Thoroughly Modern Millie – Jeffrey Castellano (Jimmy Smith)
Walter Panas HS – Young Frankenstein – Danny Milkis (Frederick Frankenstein)
Pleasantville HS – A Funny Thing Happened... - Sam Selesnick (Prologus/Pseudolus)

Actress in a Supporting Role

Academy of the Holy Angels – Once Upon a Mattress – Rianna LeHane (Lady Larken)
Bergen County Academies – Once Upon a Mattress – Nina Osso (Lady Larken)
Brewster HS – Mamma Mia! – Charlie Fitzpatrick (Rosie)
Harrison HS – Me and My Girl – Lydia Crozier (Jaquie)
Hastings HS – Spring Awakening – Anya Van Hoogstraten (Ilse)
Mamaroneck HS – Mamma Mia! – Lisa Toudic (Rosie)
Pleasantville HS – A Funny Thing Happened... Victoria Craig (Domina)
St. Joseph Reg HS – Bright Star – Chloe Hodnett (Margo Crawford)

Actor in a Supporting Role

Academy of the Holy Angels – Once Upon a Mattress – Luke Berninger (Sir Harry)
Hastings HS – Spring Awakening – Max Erez (Moritz)
Putnam Valley HS – A Chorus Line – Casey Dath (Paul San Marco)
Rye HS – Les Miserables – Dominic Sculti (Thenardier)
Sleepy Hollow HS – Hello Dolly! – Luca Brown (Barnaby Tucker)
Valhalla HS – Guys and Dolls – Giuseppe Tassone (Nathan Detroit)
Walter Panas HS – Young Frankenstein – Jacob Werner (The Monster)

Westlake HS – The Addams Family – Ryan Liebowitz (Pugsley)

Outstanding Chorus

Fair Lawn HS – Working

Northern Valley Reg HS Old Tappan – Chicago: H.S. Edition

Port Chester HS – Mamma Mia!

Ramsey HS - Thoroughly Modern Millie

Rye Neck HS – Grease

Sleepy Hollow HS – Hello Dolly!

St. Joseph Reg. HS – Bright Star

Outstanding Featured Ensemble Member

Archbishop Stepinac HS – A Bronx Tale – Peter Astriab (Mario)

Fair Lawn HS – Working – Victoria Baula (Terry Mason/Theresa Liu)

Immaculate Conception HS – Shrek the Musical – Devyn Siegel (Pinocchio)

New Rochelle HS – See Rock City and Other Destinations – Ryan Basch (Carney)

North Salem Middle/High School- The Mystery of Edwin Drood – Julianna Austin (Rosa Bud/Deirdre Peregrine)

Northern Valley HS Old Tappan - Chicago: H.S.Edition – Allison McGowan (Master of Ceremonies/Kitty)

Pascack Hills HS Chicago: H.S.Edition – Riley Solomon (Hunyak)

Valhalla HS – Guys and Dolls – Sidney Hollander (Nicely-Nicely Johnson)

Westlake HS- The Addams Family – Sami Lubart (Flapper Ancestor)

Outstanding Ensemble Group

Academy of the Holy Angels – Once Upon a Mattress

Emily Stanzione, Jenna Cooperman, Lola Samiian
(Ladies)

Dobbs Ferry HS – Seussical

Jelani Williams, Maceo Foster, Anthony Panaro
(The Wickershams)

Hastings HS – Spring Awakening

Isabella Patitucci, Ruby Pucillo, Evangeline May, Nina Silverstein, Anya Van Hoogstraten,
Sabrina Fein
(Female Students)

New Rochelle HS – See Rock City and Other Destinations

Delano Allen, Agostino Atallah, Kendall Atterberry, Shana Belfast, Alicia Gunzelle, Mackenzie
Harding, Stephanie Herrera, Brian Jablowsky, Aaliyah Moore, Brittany Trejo, Gualalupe Vargas
(See Rock Tourists)

Northern Valley Reg HS Old Tappan – Chicago: H.S. Edition

Allie Callahan, Grace Caluri, Dana Connell, Caroline Demeski, Sophie Ferrara, Jennifer Lindley,
Olivia Magaraci, Allison McGowan, Morgan Miller, Zoe Ottomanelli, Caroline Rutigliano, Ava

Salvatore, Dana Schoolsky, Gracie Scott, Brooke Wilkins, Ava Wohner, Abigail Yi, Grace Yuk, Eleni Zlatis
(Female Dance Ensemble)

Ramapo HS (NJ) - Young Frankenstein
Julia Abata, Megan Allen, Emily Alexandrou, Kara Chin, Kailey Crotty, Madison Elliot, Mikayala Feehan, Maddie Frick, Gabriella Goldberg, Paige Harrington, Danielle Miller, Angie Novak, Nick Pazos, Hannah Peters, Amy Salvesen, Holly Shulman, Gianna Trivisani, Izzy Williams
(Villagers)

Tappan Zee HS – George M! - Zoe Bourne, Julia Gallo, Juliette Lewis, Sarah Mesibov, Helena Padial, Reilly Stiefel, Taylor Albanese
(Female Dance Ensemble)

Outstanding Acting Performance - Female

Clarkstown South HS – Beauty and the Beast – Jeannette Chien (Cogsworth)
Harrison HS – Me and My Girl – Jessie Alfieri (Duchess)
Lakeland HS – Seussical - Biviana Lynch (JoJo)
Mahwah HS – The Little Mermaid – Samantha DeVries (Ariel)
New Rochelle HS – See Rock City and Other Destinations – Jazz Jenkins (Kate)
Port Chester HS – Mamma Mia! – Olivia Perrone (Donna)
Spring Valley HS – Grease – Anastasia Calixte (Frenchie)
Walter Panas HS – Young Frankenstein – Dalia Kropf (Frau Blucher)
Westwood HS – 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee - Taylor Andresen (William Barfee)

Outstanding Acting Performance - Male

Archbishop Stepinac HS – A Bronx Tale – Jeremy Fuentes (Calogero)
Don Bosco Prep – Tarzan – Thomas Lane (Clayton)
Edgemont HS – Shrek the Musical – Thomas McKillop (Shrek)
Northern Highlands Reg HS – The Drowsy Chaperone – Connor Strycharz (Man in Chair)
Northern Valley Reg HS Old Tappan – Chicago: H.S. Edition – Dylan Cometa (Amos Hart)
Putnam Valley HS – A Chorus Line – Gasvon Mitchell (Mike Costa)

Outstanding Comic Performance - Female

Bergen County Academies – Once Upon a Mattress - Edie Crowley (Princess Winnifred)
Immaculate Heart Academy – Beauty and the Beast – Allison Sandt (Madame De La Grande Bouche)
New Milford HS – 42nd Street – Caroline Digan (Maggie Jones)
New Rochelle HS – See Rock City and Other Destinations – Jamie Cantone (Evan)
Pascack Valley HS – Once Upon a Mattress – Keara Fernandez (Queen Aggravain)
Rye Country Day School – Urinetown – Peggy Helman (Little Becky Two-Shoes)
Spring Valley HS – Grease – Mary Luz Tagorda (Marty)

Outstanding Comic Performance - Male

Blind Brook HS – The Wedding Singer – Wyatt Steinthal (George)

Brewster HS – Mamma Mia! – Andrew DiFabbio (Harry Bright)
Don Bosco Prep – Tarzan – William Hinck (Porter)
Harrison HS – Me and My Girl – Michael Jubak, Jr.(Parchester)
Northern Highlands HS – The Drowsy Chaperone – Shane Anderson (Aldopho)
Pleasantville HS – A Funny Thing Happened... Ryan Burton (Marcus Lycus)
River Dell HS – Chicago: H.S. Edition – Matthew Lam (Amos)
Woodlands HS – Dreamgirls – Desmond Washington (Jimmy Early)

Outstanding Vocal Performance Female

Don Bosco Prep – Tarzan – Ceili Fitzpatrick (Jane Porter)
Emerson HS – Sister Act – Veronica Abad (Sister Mary Robert)
Immaculate Heart Academy – Beauty and the Beast – Jenna Clover (Belle)
Mamaroneck HS – Mamma Mia! - Hope Hackmann (Donna Sheridan)
Ramsey HS – Thoroughly Modern Millie – Francesca Guthrie (Millie Dillmount)
River Dell HS – Chicago: H.S. Edition – Alanna Branco (Velma Kelly)
Rutherford HS – Mamma Mia! - Julia Alati (Donna Sheridan)
Rye HS – Les Miserables – Sasha Spitz (Fantine)

Outstanding Vocal Performance Male

Brewster HS – Mamma Mia! - RJ Frankenberry (Sky)
Dwight Englewood HS – Cats – Milo Cassarino (Old Deuteronomy)
Hackensack HS – Hello Dolly! – Joseph Wolverton, Jr. (Horace Vandergelder)
Pearl River HS – Pippin – Luke Byman (Pippin)
Tuckahoe HS – You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown – Cory Garcia (Schroeder)
Westwood HS – 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee – Jordan Hinds-Clarke (Mitch Mahoney)

Outstanding Dance Performance Female

Briarcliff HS – Chitty Chitty Bang Bang – Julianna Brown (Baroness Bomburst)
Fair Lawn HS – Working – Victoria Baula (Flight Attendant)
Lodi HS – Sweet Charity - Julia Guinto (Suzanne)
Pascack Hills HS – Chicago: H.S. Edition – Ellie Falanga (Velma Kelly)
Pleasantville HS – A Funny Thing Happened... Sarah Schuster (Panacea)
Rye Neck HS – Grease – Yu Zushiden (Cha Cha DiGregorio)
Valhalla HS – Guys and Dolls - Kyra Pfeifer (Havana Dancer)

Outstanding Dance Performance Male

Dobbs Ferry HS – Seussical – Anthony Panaro (Wickersham Brother)
Edgemont HS – Shrek the Musical – Caleb Bermejo (Donkey)
Harrison HS – Me and My Girl – Harrison Sakai (Bill)
Rye Neck HS – Grease – Ethan Chin (Johnny Casino)
Spring Valley HS – Grease – Jarmal Jean-Charles (Kenickie)
St. Joseph Reg HS – Bright Star – John Santino (Dancer)

Outstanding Cameo Performance

Archbishop Stepinac HS – A Bronx Tale - Anthony Raduazzo (Young Calogera)

Bergen County Academies – Once Upon a Mattress – Michael Salmon (Pantomime Ballet)
Fair Lawn HS – Working – Abigail Montesino (Grace Clements)
North Rockland HS – Fiddler on the Roof – Chinwe Ezeilo (Fruma Sarah)
Sleepy Hollow HS – Hello Dolly! – Suniya Warren (Mrs. Rose)
Walter Panas HS – Young Frankenstein – Jacob Contzius (Dr. Victor Von Frankenstein/The Hermit)

Outstanding Duet

Alexander Hamilton HS – In the Heights
Dahlia White (Nina Rosario) & Jason Bernard, Jr. (Benny)
“When the Sun Goes Down”

Don Bosco Prep – Tarzan
Jonathan Cocca (Tarzan) & Aniela Sanders (Kala)
“You’ll Be in My Heart”

Hastings HS – Spring Awakening
Sander Tancredi (Melchior) & Isabella Patitucci (Wendla)
“The Word of Your Body”

Northern Valley Reg HS Old Tappan – Chicago: H.S. Edition
Alex Humphreys (Velma Kelly) & Elizabeth Venezia (Roxie Hart)
“Nowadays”

North Salem Middle/High School – The Mystery of Edwin Drood
CeCe Bersch (Edwin Drood/Alice Nutting) & Michael Henshaw (John Jasper)
“Two Kinsmen”

Peekskill HS – Grease
Katheryn Czserwinski (Sandy Dumbrowski) & Hannah Czserwinski (Marty)
“It’s Raining on Prom Night”

Pleasantville HS – A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum
Lyndsey Minerva (Philia) & Kyle Largey (Hero)
“Lovely”

Sleepy Hollow HS – Hello Dolly!
Theo Pearson (Cornelius Hack) & Casey McDonough (Irene Molloy)
“It Only Takes a Moment”

St. Joseph Regional HS – Bright Star
Sarah Becker (Alice Murphy) & Zachary Mackiewicz (Jimmy Ray Dobbs)
“I Had a Vision”

Tappan Zee HS – George M!
Sophie Sietz (Rose) & James Hynes (George)

“Forty-five Minutes from Broadway”

Valhalla HS – Guys and Dolls

Hope Sullivan (Adelaide) & Giuseppe Tassone (Nathan Detroit)

“Sue Me”

Outstanding Production Number

Fair Lawn HS – Working “All the Livelong Day”

Hastings HS – Spring Awakening “Purple Summer”

Mamaroneck HS – Mamma Mia! “Dancing Queen(Encore)”

Ramapo HS (NY) – Pippin – “Magic to Do”

Ramsey HS – Thoroughly Modern Millie “Not for the Life of Me”

River Dell HS – Chicago: High School Edition “Cell Block Tango”

Rye Neck HS – Grease “Born to Hand Jive”

St. Joseph Reg. HS – Bright Star “What Could Be Better”

Outstanding Child Actor

Immaculate Conception HS – Shrek the Musical - Sofia Rambola (Young Fiona)

Lakeland HS – Seussical - Victoria Carolan (Whoville Ensemble)

Rye HS - Les Miserables - Cecelia Hoogstra (Young Cosette)

Saddle River Day School – Freaky Friday – Alex Hollis (Fletcher)

Outstanding Instrumentalist

Harrison HS – Me and My Girl - Stephen Wu (Violin)

Hastings HS – Spring Awakening - Nina Silverstein (Flute)

Mahwah HS – The Little Mermaid - Maxxwell Mejia (Reeds)

North Rockland HS – Fiddler on the Roof – Heather Hamann (Violin)

Putnam Valley HS – A Chorus Line – Aleks Pilmanis (Keyboards)

Saddle River Day School – Freaky Friday – Susanna Bobbs (Violin)

Tappan Zee HS – George M! - James Byrnes (Drums)

Walter Panas HS – Young Frankenstein – Lily Milkis (Violin)

Outstanding Student Orchestra

Bergen County Academies – Once Upon a Mattress

Edgemont HS – Shrek the Musical

Mahwah HS – The Little Mermaid

Mamaroneck HS – Mamma Mia!

New Rochelle HS – See Rock City and Other Destinations

Northern Valley Reg HS Old Tappan – Chicago: H.S. Edition

Ramsey HS – Thoroughly Modern Millie

Walter Panas HS – Young Frankenstein

PRODUCTION CATEGORIES:

Outstanding Direction

Academy of the Holy Angels – Once Upon a Mattress- Katie Collins

Bergen County Academies – Once Upon a Mattress – Stephen Kaplan
Blind Brook HS – The Wedding Singer - Christina Colangelo
Harrison HS – Me and My Girl - Deborah Totoda
New Rochelle HS – See Rock City and Other Destinations – Anthony Stirpe
Northern Highlands HS – The Drowsy Chaperone - Laura Rokoszak
Sleepy Hollow HS – Hello Dolly! – Julie Colangelo-Dore
Walter Panas HS – Young Frankenstein - Bryelle Burgus

Outstanding Choreography

Blind Brook HS – The Wedding Singer - Tracy and TJ O' Sullivan
Briarcliff HS – Chitty Chitty Bang Bang - Davyd H. Suber, Jr.
Fair Lawn HS – Working – Sean Baldwin, Dustin Ballard, John Giresi
Northern Valley Old Tappan – Chicago: H.S. School Edition - Alison Owusu
Port Chester HS – Mamma Mia! - Ashley Smith Wallace
Rye Neck HS – Grease - Francesca DeAngelo
Sleepy Hollow HS – Hello Dolly! - TJ & Tracy O' Sullivan
Tappan Zee HS – George M! - Edward Clinton

Outstanding Musical Direction

Bergen County Academies – Once Upon a Mattress – Louis Spinelli, Ben Iseke, Michael Lemma
Dwight Englewood HS – Cats - Jake Lloyd, Joy Hermalyn
Fair Lawn HS – Working – Charles Santoro
Harrison HS – Me and My Girl – Meghan Test
Hastings HS – Spring Awakening - Bob Walton
Pascack Hills HS – Chicago: High School Edition - Kevin Lynch, Nate Mello, Theresa Mello
Pleasantville HS – A Funny Thing Happened...Jon Vercesi
Rye Neck HS – Grease – Kathryn Krull

Outstanding Costume Design

Archbishop Stepinac HS – A Bronx Tale – Samantha Irons
Bergen County Academies – Once Upon a Mattress – Terry Thiry, Janet Hughes, Victoria Pero
Immaculate Heart Academy – Beauty and the Beast – Nancy Reynolds
Northern Valley Reg HS Old Tappan – Chicago: H.S. Edition - Donna Dolby, Charlotte Giacomini
Pleasantville HS – A Funny Thing Happened... - Amy Franks
Sleepy Hollow HS – Hello Dolly! – Katie Brown
Tappan Zee HS – George M! – Edward Clinton

Outstanding Lighting Design

Alexander Hamilton HS – In the Heights – Sabrina Doolittle
Edgemont HS – Shrek the Musical - Adam Welsh
Fair Lawn HS – Working – Curtis Shields
Northern Valley Reg HS Old Tappan – Chicago: H.S. Edition – Matthew Morris
Ramapo HS (NJ) – Young Frankenstein - Adam Nemeth
Tuckahoe HS – You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown – Andrew Gmoser
Walter Panas HS – Young Frankenstein – Bryelle Burgus

Outstanding Scenic Design

Archbishop Stepinac HS – A Bronx Tale – Joe Lore
Bergen County Academies – Once Upon a Mattress – Ryan J Bell
Lakeland HS – Seussical - Linda Burris
Pleasantville HS – A Funny Thing Happened...James Britt, Bill Brown, Gregory Nemece
Sleepy Hollow HS – Hello Dolly! – Zach Dore & Paul Rively
St Joseph Reg. HS – Bright Star – Dennis Priestner
Walter Panas HS – Young Frankenstein – Tammy, Matt & Bryelle Burgus

Outstanding Stage Crew

Don Bosco Prep – Tarzan
Harrison HS – Me and My Girl
Lakeland HS – Seussical
North Rockland HS – Fiddler on the Roof
Rye Neck HS – Grease
Westlake HS – The Addams Family

Outstanding Lobby Display

Academy of the Holy Angels – Once Upon a Mattress – Teagan Bellito
Alexander Hamilton HS – In the Heights – Sabrina Doolittle, Laurie Abbate
Archbishop Stepinac HS – A Bronx Tale - Sam Panzier, Adam Benjamin, Meg Benjamin, Lisa Fuentes
Briarcliff HS – Chitty Chitty Bang Bang - Jennifer Sabin Poux, Betty Ng-Beckler
Dobbs Ferry HS – Seussical - Margie Corona & Julie Klein
Don Bosco Prep – Tarzan - Linda Bobroy
Westlake HS – The Addams Family - Lauren Morris/Studio Art & Photo 2 Classes

Outstanding Graphic Design

Blind Brook HS – The Wedding Singer - Sam Knee
Briarcliff HS – Chitty Chitty Bang Bang - Mathena Chan, Lauren Amsterdam
Clarkstown South HS – Beauty and the Beast – Hannah Kim
Pascack Valley HS – Once Upon a Mattress – Alie Schlesinger
Pleasantville HS – A Funny Thing Happened ...- Caitlin Rubsamen, Jenna Elluzzi
Ramapo HS (NJ)- Young Frankenstein - Jamie Manley
Ramsey HS – Thoroughly Modern Millie - Madeline Keane
Rye Country Day School – Urinetown - Eesha Narain

Technical Merit (Teacher Recommended)

Bergen County Academies – Reanna Valencia (Production Stage Manager)
Blind Brook HS – Mackenzie Drangel (Student Director)
Blind Brook HS – Jack Wells (Sound Engineer)
Brewster HS – Sarah Borsari (Student Director)
Emerson HS – Joshua Salles (Stage Manager)
Harrison HS – Jaqueline Cabrero (Stage Manager)
Immaculate Conception HS – Rebecca Leider (Stage Manager)
Immaculate Conception HS – Stephanie Esposito (Assistant Stage Manager)

Immaculate Heart Academy – Myra Chaudhry (Stage Manager)
Immaculate Heart Academy – Mary Farlese (Assistant Stage Manager)
Immaculate Heart Academy – Amanda Molloy (Assistant Stage Manager)
Lodi HS – Anita Rodrigues (Student Director/ Stage Manager)
Pleasantville HS – Ciara Hickey (Stage Manager)
Pleasantville HS – Shannon Kauber & Chloe Peters (Co-Student Directors)
Port Chester HS – Lyndsay Rosenfeld (Stage Manager)
Ramapo HS (NJ) – Allie D’Andrea (Assistant to the Director)
Ramapo HS (NJ) – Matthew Murphy & Mikayla Feehan (Co-Dance Captains)
Ramapo HS (NJ) - Jessica Valente (Production Stage Manager)
Ramapo (NY) – Marlena Pierre (Stage & Crew Manager)
Ramsey HS - Tomás Todisco (Scenic Design)
Rye Neck HS – Ris Igréc (Head of Costumes)
Sleepy Hollow HS – Arya Glen (Stage Manager)
Sleepy Hollow HS – Sophie Burk (Prop Design & Scenic Decoration)
Sleepy Hollow HS – Katie Jones (Costumer)

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