



# The Nominations Are In

CONTRA COSTA'S THEATRE COMMUNITY CELEBRATES A SEASON OF ACHIEVEMENT IN PERFORMING ARTS FOR THE 30TH YEAR.

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he awards ceremony, for shows that appeared during the 2008-09 season, takes place January 17, 2009 at the Leshner Center.

The following list contains nominations that had been submitted as of *Diablo Arts* press time.

## COMPANY ABBREVIATIONS:

- AN**.....Act Now!  
**ART**.....Antioch Rivertown Theatre  
**REP**.....Center REPeritory Theatre  
**CCMT**.....Contra Costa Musical Theatre  
**GP**.....Galatean Players Ensemble Theatre  
**ORT**.....Onstage Repertory Theatre  
**RP**.....Role Players  
**TH**.....Town Hall Theatre Company  
**VP**.....Vagabond Players  
**W**.....Willows Theatre Company  
**D**.....DLOC

## Outstanding Production: Play

- β *Greater Tuna*, Act Now!
- β *Stepping Out*, Antioch Rivertown Theatre
- β *The Mousetrap*, Center REPeritory Company
- β *Sylvia*, Onstage Repertory Theatre
- β *Bus Stop*, Role Players
- β *The Weir*, Town Hall Theatre Company
- β *Brighton Beach Memoirs*, Willows

## Director

- β Stephen Murphree, *Reindeer Mono*, AN
- β Sharon Redman, *Stepping Out*, ART
- β Timothy Near, *The Mousetrap*, REP
- β Helen Means, *Sylvia*, ORT
- β Dana Anderson, *Bus Stop*, RP
- β Joel Roster, *Bleacher Bums*, TH
- β Richard Elliott, *Brighton Beach Memoirs*, W

## Actor

- β Wayne McRice, *Jake's Women*, AN
- β Jasen Jeffrey, *Anybody Out There?*, ART
- β Andrew Hurteau, *Nixon Nixon's*, REP
- β Barry Hunau, *Sylvia*, ORT
- β Christopher Ratti, *Bus Stop*, RP
- β Michael Patrick Gaffney, *Moonlight and Magnolias*, TH
- β David Beal, *Brighton Beach Memoirs*, W

## Actress

- β Emily Garcia, *Jake's Women*, AN
- β Maurene Drew, *Criminal Hearts*, ART

- β Carie Kawa, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, REP
- β June McCue, *Sylvia*, ORT
- β Ginny Wehrmeister, *Bus Stop*, RP
- β Katie Pelensky, *The Weir*, TH
- β Cindy Goldfield, *Brighton Beach Memoirs*, W

## Supporting Actor

- β Bill Clamente, *The Mystery Plays*, AN
- β Loren Combs, *Criminal Hearts*, ART
- β Steve Irish, *Nixon's Nixon*, REP
- β Don Tamblyn, *Sylvia*, ORT
- β Chris Chapman, *Bus Stop*, RP
- β Henry Perkins, *Bleacher Bums*, TH
- β Aaron Altman, *Brighton Beach Memoirs*, W

## Supporting Actress

- β Wynn O'Donnell, *Jake's Women*, AN
- β Jennifer Hughes, *Criminal Hearts*, ART
- β Kerri Shawn, *The Mousetrap*, REP
- β Roberta Tibbetts, *Sylvia*, ORT
- β Bonnie DeChant, *Bus Stop*, RP
- β Ginny Wehrmeister, *Bleacher Bums*, TH
- β Barbara Grant, *Sunrise at Campobello*, W

## Lighting Design

- β Aaron Scherbarth, *Greater Tuna*, AN
- β Randall Nott, *Criminal Hearts*, ART
- β Kurt Landisman, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, REP
- β John Lytle, *Sylvia*, ORT
- β Beth Cockrell, *Bus Stop*, RP
- β Klyph Stanford, *The Weir*, TH
- β Robert Anderson, *Brighton Beach Memoirs*, W

## Costume Design

- β Cindi Nickey, *Greater Tuna*, AN
- β B. Modern, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, REP
- β Gertie Vizay, *The Octette Bridge Club*, ORT
- β Dana Anderson, *Bus Stop*, RP
- β Melissa Paterson, *Miracle on 34th Street*, TH
- β Robin Speer, *Brighton Beach Memoirs*, W

## Scenic Design

- β Diane McRice, *Greater Tuna*, AN
- β Loren Combs, *Anybody Out There?*, ART
- β Kelly Tighe, *The Mousetrap*, REP
- β John Allred, *Sylvia*, ORT
- β Edward Hightower, *Bus Stop*, RP
- β Kylph Stanford, *The Weir*, TH
- β Tom Benson, *Brighton Beach Memoirs*, W

## Outstanding Production: Musical

- β *The Musical of Musicals: The Musical!*, Center REPeritory Company
- β *Cinderella*, Contra Costa Musical Theatre
- β *Rivets*, Galatean Players
- β *Olympus on My Mind*, Onstage Repertory
- β *Ruthless*, Role Players
- β *Funny, You Don't Look Like a Grandmother*, Vagabond Players
- β *Cats*, Willows Theatre Company

## Director

- β Mindy Cooper, *The Musical of Musical: The Musical!*, REP
- β Harvey Berman, *Fiddler on the Roof*, CCMT
- β Clay David, *Rivets*, GP
- β Helen Means, *Olympus on My Mind*, ORT
- β John Maio, *Ruthless*, RP
- β Scott Fryer, *Funny, You Don't Look Like a Grandmother*, VP
- β Andrew Holtz, *Jesus Christ Superstar*, W

## Music Direction

- β Tony Marcus, *Hank Williams: Lost Highway*, REP
- β Mark Hanson, *Cinderella*, CCMT
- β Matt Davis, Clay David, Kathryn G. McCarty, *Rivets*, GP
- β Jené Bombardier, *Olympus on My Mind*, ORT
- β Joe Simiele, *Ruthless*, RP
- β Joan Cifarelli, *Funny, You Don't Look Like a Grandmother*, VP
- β Tim Hanson, *Jesus Christ Superstar*, W

## Choreography

- β Mindy Cooper, *The Musical of Musicals: The Musical!*, REP
- β Jennifer Perry, *Cinderella*, CCMT
- β Clay David, *Rivets*, GP
- β Jennifer Hughes, *Olympus on My Mind*, ORT
- β Camille Larrea, *Ruthless*, RP
- β Jennifer Perry, *Funny, You Don't Look Like a Grandmother*, VP
- β John Butterfield and Dan Uroff, *Cats*, W

## Actor

- β Robert Brewer, *Hank Williams: Lost Highway*, REP
- β Daniel Olson, *Fiddler on the Roof*, CCMT
- β Randall Nott, *Rivets*, GP
- β Rick Goetz, *Olympus on My Mind*, ORT
- β John Blytt, *Ruthless*, RP

