

2018 Awards of Excellence Finalists

Direction in a Play		
Abby J. Sturtevant Sharp	All My Sons	Webster City Community Theatre
Benjamin Mauritz	Leading Ladies	The Sioux City Community Theatre
Nancy Wright	Inherit the Wind	Mills Masquers
Vivian M. Cook	Twelve Angry Jurors	Story Theater Company of Ames
Wayne Blum	Noises Off	The Sioux City Community Theatre

Direction in a Musical		
Aaron Kvale	Next to Normal	New Minowa Players - Decorah
Cheri Moser	Mary Poppins	Opera House Players - Elkader
John Olson	Annie	Performing Arts & Education Association of Southwest Iowa
Greg Holt	Annie	Waterloo Comm Playhouse/ Black Hawk Children's Theatre
Greg Holt	The Full Monty	Waterloo Comm Playhouse/ Black Hawk Children's Theatre

Ensemble in a Play		
The cast of Almost Maine	Almost Maine	Ankeny Community Theatre
Cast of Noises Off	Noises Off	Newton Community Theatre
Ensemble from Calendar Girls	Calendar Girls	Great River Players
The cast of Leaving Iowa	Leaving Iowa	The Sioux City Community Theatre
The cast of Twelve Angry Jurors	Twelve Angry Jurors	Story Theater Company of Ames

Ensemble in a Musical		
Lead Orphans in Annie	Annie	Performing Arts & Education Association of Southwest Iowa
The cast of Mary Poppins	Mary Poppins	Opera House Players - Elkader
Sarah Crockett, Jessica Jacobsen and Misty Wissel as the Doo-Wop Girls	Little Shop of Horrors	Performing Arts & Education Association of Southwest Iowa
Sarah Crockett, Megan Beery, Julie Murren	Little Women the Musical	Southwest Iowa Theatre Group, Inc. Park Playhouse
The Wives in The Full Monty	The Full Monty	Waterloo Comm Playhouse/ Black Hawk Children's Theatre

Lead Actor in a Play		
Benji Cotter	Leading Ladies	The Sioux City Community Theatre
Josh Zirkle	Passing Notes	Ankeny Community Theatre
Tyler French	The Boys Next Door	Great River Players
Tim Snyder	The Boys Next Door	Great River Players
Dale Arends	All My Sons	Webster City Community Theatre

Lead Actor in a Musical		
Cameron Berges	Mary Poppins	Opera House Players - Elkader
Asher Suski	Honk!	Ankeny Community Theatre
Gabe Twedt	Next to Normal	New Minowa Players - Decorah
Ian Curtis	The Last Five Years	Shot in the Dark Productions
Jordan Makinster	The Full Monty	Waterloo Comm Playhouse/ Black Hawk Children's Theatre

Lead Actress in a Play		
Sara Jerome	Leading Ladies	The Sioux City Community Theatre
Nicole Titus	A Few Good Men	Ankeny Community Theatre
Connie McCracken	Calendar Girls	Great River Players
Joeann Tesar	A Comedy of Tenors	Opera House Players - Elkader
Loween Getter	All My Sons	Webster City Community Theatre

Lead Actress in a Musical		
Gina Brooks	Annie	Waterloo Comm Playhouse/ Black Hawk Children's Theatre
Karen Esterl	Next to Normal	New Minowa Players - Decorah
Kristy Fleming	Mary Poppins	Opera House Players - Elkader
Misty Wissel	Little Women the Musical	Southwest Iowa Theatre Group, Inc. Park Playhouse
Rebecca Vernon	She Loves Me	Starlighters II Comm Theatre

Supporting Actor in a Play		
Scott Nielson	Passing Notes	Ankeny Community Theatre
Brandon Douglas	A Comedy of Tenors	Opera House Players - Elkader
Jakob Regal	A Comedy of Tenors	Opera House Players - Elkader
Kevin Sharp	All My Sons	Webster City Community Theatre
Brennan Fehr	All My Sons	Webster City Community Theatre

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Brandon Douglas	Mary Poppins	Opera House Players - Elkader
James Odegaard	Next to Normal	New Minowa Players - Decorah
Jedd Sherman	Annie	Performing Arts & Education Association of Southwest Iowa
Josh Pannhoff	The Full Monty	Waterloo Comm Playhouse/ Black Hawk Children's Theatre
Ron Hines	Annie	Performing Arts & Education Association of Southwest Iowa

Supporting Actress in a Play		
Jessica Sloan	A Comedy of Tenors	Opera House Players - Elkader
Abby Knisley	Glass Menagerie	Great River Players
Bobbi Jo Lutzen	Steel Magnolias	Old Fort Players, Inc.
Jenna Pollock	A Comedy of Tenors	Opera House Players - Elkader
Lynda Wunder	All My Sons	Webster City Community Theatre

Supporting Actress in a Musical		
Jill Gandy	Annie	Performing Arts & Education Association of Southwest Iowa
Kyna Henson	Next to Normal	New Minowa Players - Decorah
Taryn Moser	Mary Poppins	Opera House Players - Elkader
Tracy Rhodes	Annie	Performing Arts & Education Association of Southwest Iowa
Jennifer Parra	Grease	The Sioux City Community Theatre

Choreography		
Kathy Banta	Grease	The Sioux City Community Theatre
Mindy Breaux	Honk!	Ankeny Community Theatre
Meredith McKay	Mame	Newton Community Theatre
Joy Tunnicliff	Annie	Performing Arts & Education Association of Southwest Iowa
Candace Van Hove	Annie	Waterloo Comm Playhouse/ Black Hawk Children's Theatre

Musical Direction		
Angela Iversen	Grease	The Sioux City Community Theatre
Mindy Breaux	Honk!	Ankeny Community Theatre
Jessica Palmer	Beauty and the Beast	City Circle Acting Company
Tim Marsden	Annie	Performing Arts & Education Association of Southwest Iowa
Pam Lewis	Little Women the Musical	Southwest Iowa Theatre Group, Inc. Park Playhouse

Costuming		
All My Sons cast	All My Sons	Webster City Community Theatre
Kerri Drake	Inherit the Wind	Mills Masquers
Sue Buekema	A Few Good Men	Newton Community Theatre
Sue Buekema	Mame	Newton Community Theatre
Kelen Panec	Annie	Performing Arts & Education Association of Southwest Iowa

Scenic Design		
Carol Wisner, Shari Buehler and John Olson	Annie	Performing Arts & Education Association of Southwest Iowa
Mark Tracey	Beauty and the Beast	City Circle Acting Company
Cary Kann & Joeann Tesar	Mary Poppins	Opera House Players - Elkader
Robert Kurt	She Loves Me	Starlighters II Comm Theatre
Dale Arends	All My Sons	Webster City Community Theatre

Technical, Lighting, & Sound Design		
Aaron Kvale	Next to Normal	New Minowa Players - Decorah
Joe Kirwen and Matt Tuttle	You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown	Ankeny Community Theatre
Jonathon Moser	Mary Poppins	Opera House Players - Elkader
Carol Wisner and Bryan Wilson	Annie	Performing Arts & Education Association of Southwest Iowa
Scott Schuster	The Full Monty	Waterloo Comm Playhouse/ Black Hawk Children's Theatre

Children's Show		
	Mary Poppins Jr.	Webster City Community Theatre
	Singin' In the Rain, Jr.	Great River Players
	We Are Monsters	Great River Players