

ARTS FOR LIFE supports the THEATRE RECOGNITION GUILD in  
NOMINATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2009 MUSICALS  
of Metro-St. Louis Community Theatre:

----- “Best Performance and Best Achievement” -----

**LARGE ENSEMBLE MUSICAL PRODUCTION**

*A Chorus Line* ~ **FAMILY MUSICAL THEATER**  
*Annie* ~ **CHRIST MEMORIAL PRODUCTIONS**  
*Big River* ~ **ALPHA PLAYERS OF FLORISSANT**  
*Damn Yankees* ~ **KIRKWOOD THEATRE GUILD**  
*Hello Dolly!* ~ **OVER DUE THEATRE CO.**

**SMALL ENSEMBLE MUSICAL PRODUCTION**

*Pageant* ~ **TAKE TWO PRODUCTIONS**  
*Radio Gals* ~ **ALTON LITTLE THEATER**  
*RENT* ~ **TAKE TWO PRODUCTIONS**

**YOUTH MUSICAL PRODUCTION**

*Into the Woods* ~ **DAY SPRING SCHOOL OF THE ARTS**  
*Les Miserables* ~ **SHOOTING STAR PRODUCTIONS**  
*Little Shop of Horrors* ~ **CRESTWOOD/KIRKWOOD YOUTH THEATRE**  
*Once Upon a Mattress* ~ **CRESTWOOD/KIRKWOOD YOUTH THEATRE**

----- “Best Achievement” -----

**DIRECTION**

*Damn Yankees* (KTG), **JT Ricroft**  
*Hello Dolly!* (ODT), **Alan R. Aguilar**  
*High School Musical 2* (CUTC), **Carol Hodson**  
*Radio Gals* (ALT), **Kevin Frakes**  
*RENT* (TTP), **Gary Long**

**MUSICAL DIRECTION**

*Annie* (CMP), **Steven W. Luhmann**  
*Damn Yankees* (KTG), **Joel Hackbarth**  
*High School Musical 2* (CUTC), **Karen Perry**  
*Radio Gals* (ALT), **Alison Neace**  
*RENT* (TTP), **Marc Strathman**

**LIGHTING DESIGN**

*Big River* (APF), **Stephanie Draper**  
*Damn Yankees* (KTG), **Stephen C. Abling**  
*Radio Gals* (ALT), **Jeff Pruett**  
*RENT* (TTP), **Gary Long**  
*Urinetown* (CUTC), **Valerie J. Goldston**

**CHOREOGRAPHY**

*A Chorus Line* (FMT), **Larry Love/Jim Kimker**  
*Annie* (CMP), **Glenn Guillermo**  
*Damn Yankees* (KTG), **JT Ricroft**  
*High School Musical 2* (CUTC), **Darla Andree/Sarah Perry**  
*RENT* (TTP), **Kimberly McCreight**

**SET DESIGN**

*Annie* (CMP), **Mark E. Amen**  
*Damn Yankees* (KTG), **Mark Mendelson**  
*Radio Gals* (ALT), **Kevin Frakes**  
*RENT* (TTP), **Bill Beilstein**  
*Urinetown* (CUTC), **Cristie Johnston**

**COSTUME DESIGN**

*Annie* (CMP) - **Cherol Thibaut**  
*Big River* (APF), **Barbara Langa**  
*Follies* (KTK), **Bill Beilstein/Torre Hardcastle**  
*Hello Dolly!* (ODT), **Debbie Bixler**  
*RENT* (TTP), **Patty Taveras/Anthony Hagan/Cast**

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"Best Performance"  
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**ACTOR IN A LEADING ROLE**

**Aaron VanderYacht**, "Huckleberry Finn" *Big River* (APF)  
**Kent Coffel**, "Applegate" *Damn Yankees* (KTG)  
**Dominic Windsor**, "Joseph" *Joseph...Dreamcoat* (HP)  
**Timothy Callahan**, "Fagin" *Oliver!* (FMT)  
**John Sparger**, "Roger Davis" *RENT* (TTP)  
**Jonathan Foresythe**, "Mark Cohen" *RENT* (TTP)

**ACTOR IN A FEATURED ROLE**

**Keith Poppitz**, "Oliver Warbucks" *Annie* (CMP)  
**Gold Wise**, "Jim" *Big River* (APF)  
**Bill Nolan III**, "Gaston" *Disney's Beauty & the Beast* (MP)  
**Robby Hardcastle**, "Artful Dodger" *Oliver!* (FMT)  
**Keith Parker**, "Angel Schunard" *RENT* (TTP)

**ACTOR IN A SUPPORTING ROLE**

**Michael "MJ" Jones**, "Richie" *A Chorus Line* (FMT)  
**David Fiedler**, "Franklin D. Roosevelt" *Annie* (CMP)  
**Bert Wunderlich**, "Van Buren" *Damn Yankees* (KTG)  
**Mike Pohlman**, "Cogsworth" *Disney's Beauty & the Beast* (MP)  
**Anthony Hagan**, "Young Buddy" *Follies* (KTK)

**ACTOR IN A COMEDIC ROLE**

**Mike Hodges**, "Mark" *A Chorus Line* (FMT)  
**Troy P. Turnipseed**, "Rooster Hannigan" *Annie* (CMP)  
**Jonathan Hey**, "Miss Great Plains" *Pageant* (TTP)  
**Patrick Kerwin**, "Miss Industrial Northeast" *Pageant* (TTP)  
**Ian Thomas Hardin**, "Miss Mabel Swindle" *Radio Gals* (ALT)

**ACTOR IN A CAMEO ROLE**

**Gary Bortosky**, "Bert Healy" *Annie* (CMP)  
**Robert Doyle**, "Drake" *Annie* (CMP)  
**Joseph "Bubba" Baker**, "Homeless Man, Mr. Jefferson & Pastor" *RENT* (TTP)  
**Scott Degitz**, "Paul" *RENT* (TTP)  
**Anthony Hagan**, "Steve, Squeegee Man & Waiter" *RENT* (TTP)  
**Jonathan Hey**, "Gordon, The Man & Mr. Grey" *RENT* (TTP)

**ACTOR IN A NON-SINGING ROLE**

**Larry Love**, "Zack" *A Chorus Line* (FMT)  
**Doug Landholt**, "Narrator" *Disney's Beauty & the Beast* (MP)  
**Larry Love**, "Mr. Goldstone/Showboy" *Gypsy* (FMT)  
**Gary Wilson**, "Fulton" *High School Musical 2* (CUTC)  
**David M. Treadway**, "Russell Paxton" *Lady in the Dark* (ODT)  
**Tom Kopp**, "Prof. Marvel/Wizard" *Wizard of Oz* (ODT)

**DUO OR GROUP**

**Sean Andrews & Mark Moore** "The Duke & The King" *Big River* (APF)  
**Nancy Leahy & Janet Seitz Wheatley** "Sister & Doris" *Damn Yankees* (KTG)  
**Jeremy Brown, Robert Doyle, Jonathan Foresythe, Anthony Hagan, Matthew W. Houck, Pat Klick, James Kuhlman & Troy P. Turnipseed** "The Ballplayers" *Damn Yankees* (KTG)  
**Matt Anderson, Stephen Chamineak, Jacob Funke, Omega Jones, Mitchell List, Jeffrey Loyd, Paul Herbert Pitts, Jerome Riley, John Robertson, Ashley Roseboro & John M. Schmidt** "The Brothers" *Joseph...Dreamcoat* (HP)  
**Elizabeth Bodnam, Priscilla Case & Mary Jewell Wiley** "The Strippers" *Gypsy* (FMT)

**ACTRESS IN A LEADING ROLE**

**Kimberly McCreight**, "Cassie" *A Chorus Line* (FMT)  
**Melissa Lueke**, "Rose Alvarez" *Bye, Bye Birdie* (SSI)  
**Andrea Kimberling**, "Belle" *Disney's Beauty & the Beast* (MP)  
**Kay Love**, "Phyllis Rogers Stone" *Follies* (KTK)  
**Kay Love**, "Dolly Gallagher Levi" *Hello Dolly!* (ODT)  
**Caitlin Mickey**, "Laurey Williams" *Oklahoma* (MST)

**ACTRESS IN A FEATURED ROLE**

**Mary Elizabeth Mather**, "Diana" *A Chorus Line* (FMT)  
**Courtney LaBelle**, "Lola" *Damn Yankees* (KTG)  
**Jean M. Heil**, "America" *Radio Gals* (ALT)  
**Paula Malone**, "Hazel Hunt" *Radio Gals* (ALT)  
**Kathy Piercy**, "Penelope Pennywise" *Urinetown* (CUTC)

**ACTRESS IN A SUPPORTING ROLE**

**Courtney Gibson**, "Val" *A Chorus Line* (FMT)  
**Mary Elizabeth Mather**, "Young Sally/Young Heidi" *Follies* (KTK)  
**Patricia Scanlon**, "Heidi Schillern" *Follies* (KTK)  
**Debra Dennert**, "Alison DuBois" *Lady in the Dark* (ODT)  
**Brie Brewer**, "Maureen Johnson" *RENT* (TTP)

**ACTRESS IN A COMEDIC ROLE**

**Priscilla Case**, "Sheila" *A Chorus Line* (FMT)  
**Stephanie Merritt**, "Lily St. Regis" *Annie* (CMP)  
**Chrissy Brooks**, "Minnie Fay" *Hello Dolly!* (ODT)  
**Tori Stepanek**, "Sharpay Evans" *High School Musical* (MHCT)  
**Sherry Liliensiek-Gehrs**, "Little Sally" *Urinetown* (CUTC)

**ACTRESS IN A CAMEO ROLE**

**Lauren Geisz**, "Duffy" *Annie* (CMP)  
**Kristen Ahsley Heard**, "Star-To-Be/Boylan Sister" *Annie* (CMP)  
**Ebony Easter**, "Alice's Daughter" *Big River* (APF)  
**Kristin Meyer**, "Alexi Darling, Mrs. Davis & Back Up Singer" *RENT* (TTP)  
**Beth McClure**, "Mrs. Cohen & Back Up Singer" *RENT* (TTP)  
**Kimberly McCreight** "Mrs. Jefferson, Mrs. Marquez" *RENT* (TTP)

**ACTRESS IN A NON-SINGING ROLE**

**Talya Perry**, "Alice, the Wilkes' Slave" *Big River* (APF)  
**Melissa Kimble**, "Gloria Rasputin" *Bye, Bye Birdie* (SSI)  
**Kelli Haliburton**, "Miss Cratchitt/Stripper" *Gypsy* (FMT)  
**Suzanne Greenwald**, "Maggie Grant" *Lady in the Dark* (ODT)  
**Belinda Quimby**, "Miss Foster" *Lady in the Dark* (ODT)  
**Jenny Cartmill**, "Techie" *Urinetown* (CUTC)

**JUVENILE PERFORMER**

**Sarah Hasse**, "Annie" *Annie* (ALT)  
**Maggie Kuntz**, "Kate" *Annie* (CMP)  
**Marissa Pineda**, "Molly" *Annie* (CMP)  
**Grace Robertson**, "Annie" *Annie* (CMP)  
**Kelsey Knee** "Baby June" *Gypsy* (FMT)

**LEEANN SMITH CHO BEST MUSICAL PERFORMANCE AWARD**

**Lindsey Jones**, "Rose" *Gypsy* (FMT)

**BEST YOUTH MUSICAL PERFORMANCE AWARD**

**Tracy Bell**, "Annie" *Annie, Jr.* (MMOB)

ALT/Alton Little Theater; APF/Alpha Players of Florissant; CKYT/Crestwood/Kirkwood Youth Theatre; CMP/Christ Memorial Productions;  
CUTC/Curtain's Up Theatre Co.; DSA/DaySpring School of the Arts; FMT/Family Musical Theater; HP/HawthornePlayers;  
KTG/Kirkwood Theatre Guild; KTK/KTK Productions, Inc.; MHCT/Maryland Heights Community Theater;  
MMOB/1000 Miles Off Broadway; MST/Marble Stage Theater; MP/Magdalen Players; ODT/Over Due Theatre Company;  
SSI/Summerstage, Inc.; SSP/Shooting Star Productions; TTP/Take Two Productions