

2000

Grace Bumbry - For Music & Operatic Performance
Katherine Dunham - For Dance & Choreography
John Goodman - For Comedic/Dramatic Acting
Lanford Wilson - For Playwriting
Dr. Richard Yoder - For Philanthropy to Theater

2001

Dr. Maya Angelou - For Literary & Performing Arts
Al Hirschfeld - For Theatrical Drawing & Caricature
Katherine Gladney Wells - For Philanthropy to Music

2002

Glenn Dunn - Stage Manager & Lighting Designer
Wayne Loui - Educator & Director
Shelley Winters - Actress & Teacher

2003

Phyllis Diller - Comedienne & Pioneer in Comedy
A.E. Hotchner - Literature & Playwriting
Mark Vaughan - Community Leadership in Musical Theatre Production
Delores Wein - Dance Education & Performance

2004

Clark Terry - Jazz Innovator, Musician & Educator
Jeanne Trevor - Actress, Vocalist & Jazz Artist

2005

Tom Yager - St. Louis Community Theatre Actor & Advocate

2006

Mary Strauss - Art Historian, teacher, Broadway producer, philanthropist
Larry Marsh - Conductor, Director, Set Designer

2007

Denny Reagan - President and Chief Executive Officer of The Muny in St. Louis
Mike & Diane Hesser - Producers of Family Musical Theater

2008

James (Jim) Grumich - Teacher, Director

2009

Joneal Joplin - First Citizen of the St. Louis Theatre Community

2010

Nancy & Kenneth Kranzberg

2011

Dr. Richard Hunsaker

2012

Bob Wilcox - Support & Promotion of the Arts & Theatre

Gerry Kowarsky - Support & Promotion of the Arts & Theatre

2013

Gerri Stretz Meyer - Education & Promotion of Dance

2014

Tony & Dottie Bertolino - for Dedication and Commitment to Community Theatre

2015

Beverley Scroggins - Dedication & Commitment to Arts in Education & Community Theatre

2016

Cheri Ann Schear - For Musical Theatre & Vocal Performance