



MUSIC THEATRE WICHITA
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The Jester Awards celebrate excellence in high school musical theatre, showcasing the next generation of musical theatre talent in Kansas. Eleven years ago the Lois Kay Walls Foundation helped to endow the Jester Awards in order to ensure that the program has success well into the future. If you would like to contribute to this endowment or learn more about the Jester Awards, please contact Joshua Larson at Music Theatre Wichita, 316.265.3253 or josh@mtwichita.org.



2023 RECIPIENTS

OUTSTANDING LOBBY DISPLAY

El Dorado High School
Seussical

OUTSTANDING PROGRAM DESIGN

Shelby Norton
The Addams Family
Andover High School

OUTSTANDING STAGE CREW

Bishop Carroll High School
Guys and Dolls

OUTSTANDING SCENIC DESIGN

Alice Hilt
Jekyll & Hyde
Garden City High School

OUTSTANDING LIGHTING DESIGN

Derrick Gronewold
We Will Rock You
Wichita High School East

OUTSTANDING SOUND DESIGN

McKenna Blessant
We Will Rock You
Wichita High School East

OUTSTANDING COSTUME DESIGN

Robyn Hilt & Esme Corado
Jekyll & Hyde
Garden City High School

OUTSTANDING SMALL ENSEMBLE

"A Better Haircut" Trio
Amelie: Teen Edition
Topeka High School

OUTSTANDING ENSEMBLE/ CHORUS

Trinity Academy
Disney's Newsies

OUTSTANDING CAMEO PERFORMER

Devlyn Jochum (Sour Kangaroo)
Seussical the Musical
Hays High School

Hayden Sewell (Kyle the UPS Guy)
Legally Blonde
Maize Public Schools

OUTSTANDING PRE-HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMER

Brik Johnson (Les)
Disney's Newsies
Smoky Valley High School

Kash Wheeler (Les)
Disney's Newsies
Trinity Academy

OUTSTANDING DESIGN GUEST

Eric Johnson & Michelle Johnson
(Scenic Design)
Disney's Newsies
Smoky Valley High School

OUTSTANDING ARTISTIC GUEST

Melissa Nance (Choreography)
She Loves Me
Labette County High School

OUTSTANDING PRODUCTION NUMBER

Luck Be a Lady
Guys and Dolls
Bishop Carroll High School

OUTSTANDING ORCHESTRA DIRECTION

Madison Schmoll
The Addams Family
Andover High School

OUTSTANDING VOCAL MUSIC DIRECTION

Jenny Potochnik
We Will Rock You
Wichita High School East

OUTSTANDING CHOREOGRAPHY/ STAGING

Angela Dolezal
Disney's Newsies
Smoky Valley High School

OUTSTANDING DIRECTION

Alice Hilt
Jekyll & Hyde
Garden City High School

OUTSTANDING SUPPORTING PERFORMER

Maisy Blanton (Wednesday Addams)
The Addams Family
Andover High School

Paighton Hall (Ilona Ritter)
She Loves Me
Labette County High School

Sam Carney (Oz)
We Will Rock You
Wichita High School East

OUTSTANDING TECHNICAL ACHIEVEMENT

Shea Huber (Technical Director)
Jekyll & Hyde
Garden City High School

THE SPIRIT OF THE JESTERS

Disney's The Little Mermaid Jr.
Hugoton High School

OUTSTANDING LEADING PERFORMER

Ella Wellman (Annie Oakley)
Annie Get Your Gun
Sterling High School

Cami Abraham (Scaramouche)
We Will Rock You
Wichita High School East

OUTSTANDING PRODUCTION

Labette County High School
She Loves Me
Smoky Valley High School
Disney's Newsies



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