

NORTH ESSEX THEATRE GUILD NOMINATIONS 2019-20
WINNERS IN ITALICS

SHOWCASE FESTIVAL (23 productions adjudicated)

KING COSTUME AWARD:

B.A.T.S:	Anything Goes
<i>The Essex Group:</i>	<i>Chicago</i>
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Treasure Island
Kelvedon Players:	The Three Musketeers
KYDS:	Dick Whittington
Little Waltham Drama Group:	Sleeping Beauty
<i>Manifest Theatre Group:</i>	<i>Santa Goes on Holiday</i>
Orpen Players:	Treasure Island
Pantoloons:	Cinderella
Platform Musicals:	A Little Night Music
Stane Street Players:	Dick Whittington
Wickham Bishops Drama Club:	Aladdin
W.A.O.S:	Sister Act
W.O.W:	Legally Blonde
Writtle Cards:	Rumpelstiltskin and the Sleeping Beauty

JEAN JONES AWARD for SET DESIGN/CONSTRUCTION/DRESSING:

<i>B.A.T.S:</i>	<i>Anything Goes</i>
<i>The Essex Group:</i>	<i>Chicago</i>
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Treasure Island
Kelvedon Players:	The Three Musketeers
<i>Orpen Players:</i>	<i>Treasure Island</i>
Pantoloons:	Cinderella
Platform Musicals:	A Little Night Music
Wickham Bishops Drama Club:	Aladdin

TECHNICAL ACHIEVEMENT:

Clacton Musical Theatre Society:	Aladdin
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Treasure Island
Mad Hatter Productions:	Spring Awakening
Manifest Theatre Group:	Santa Goes on Holiday
Pantoloons:	Cinderella
Platform Musicals:	A Little Night Music
Stane Street Players:	Dick Whittington
<i>Wickham Bishops Drama Club:</i>	<i>Aladdin</i>

ADJUDICATORS' AWARD:

B.A.T.S:	The children's chorus in Anything Goes
<i>Colne Engaine Dramatic Society:</i>	<i>The pantomime horse in The Good, the Bad and the Panto (with commendation to Belinda Hector and Caroline Lingley for comedy playing)</i>

Headgate Theatre Productions: The ensemble playing of the W.I. ladies in Treasure Island

L.A.D.S:	Matthew Bacon for his participation in Show Hits 2019
Little Waltham Drama Group:	The quality of the props in Sleeping Beauty
Orpen Players:	The ensemble playing of the W.I. ladies in Treasure Island
Stane Street Players:	The props and set dressing in Dick Whittington
West Cliff Youth Theatre:	Lochlan Alcorn-Reilly for his performance of "Move It" in Summer Holiday
W.A.O.S:	<i>The team playing, and individual characterisations of the Nuns in Sister Act (with special commendation to Aimee Hart, Emma Loring and Rhianna Howard)</i>
Writtle Cards:	Daniel and Liz Curley for their comedy pair playing in Rumpelstiltskin and The Sleeping Beauty

BEST YOUNG ACTOR:

Bures Stage Society:	Jake and Finn Morris as Nacho and Tacho in Jack and the Beanstalk (joint nomination)
Colne Engaine Dramatic Society:	Nicholas McKeown as Billy the Skid (and other roles) in The Good, the Bad and the Panto

Headgate Theatre Productions: Zac Askham as Seaweed Willy in Treasure Island

Junior Kelvedon Players:	Luke Hill as Starkey in Peter Pan
KYDS:	Beau Hens as Idle Jack in Dick Whittington
KYDS:	Olly Smith as King Rat in Dick Whittington
Mad Hatter Productions: <i>Mad Hatter Productions:</i>	Charlie Toland as Melchior in Spring Awakening <i>Dermot Gillespie Gardiner as Moritz in Spring Awakening</i>
W.O.W:	Fraser McLauchlen as Emmett Forrest in Legally Blonde
Wivenhoe Pantomime Group:	Bobby Lumb as Baron Hard-Up in Cinderella

BEST YOUNG ACTRESS:

<i>Junior Kelvedon Players:</i>	<i>Mia Carter-Joy as Wendy in Peter Pan</i>
KYDS:	Amy Swallow as Tom the Cat in Dick Whittington
Mad Hatter Productions:	Cerys Wilkin as Wendla in Spring Awakening
Pantoloons:	Tierney Butcher as Cinderella in Cinderella

Pantoloons: Jessye Copsey as Mouse in *Cinderella*

Platform Musicals: Maddie Smith as Fredrika in *A Little Night Music* and Bren Gunn in *Treasure Island* for Headgate Theatre Productions

West Cliff Youth Theatre: Gabrielle Tyler as Angie in *Summer Holiday*

W.O.W: Hannah Ireland as Elle Woods in *Legally Blonde*

W.O.W: Emily Birt as Paulette in *Legally Blonde*

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR:

B.A.T.S: Mark Hinson as Moonface Martin in *Anything Goes*

B.A.T.S: James Wetherall as Lord Evelyn Oakleigh in *Anything Goes*

Bures Stage Society: Chris McGrath as Dastardly Dan in *Jack and the Beanstalk*

The Essex Group: Ian Benson as Amos Hart in *Chicago*

Orpen Players: Colin Downer as Billy Bones/Ben Gunn in *Treasure Island*

Platform Musicals: Wayne Setford as Count Carl-Magnus in *A Little Night Music*

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS:

Clacton Musical Theatre Society: Katie Johnson as Empress Sing Hi in *Aladdin*

Clacton Musical Theatre Society: Hayley Hyde as Tu Shy in *Aladdin*

Kelvedon Players: Heidi Hamber as Queen Anne in *The Three Musketeers*

Little Waltham Drama Group: Kim Travell as Spindleshanks in *Sleeping Beauty*

Mad Hatter Productions: Jenni Horn as Adult Women in *Spring Awakening*

Platform Musicals: Rebecca Clemens as Anne Egerman in *A Little Night Music*

Platform Musicals: Caroline Fritz as Countess Charlotte in *A Little Night Music*

Stane Street Players: Anna James as Tommy the Cat in *Dick Whittington*

Wickham Bishops Drama Club: Jenny Turnbull as Abominable Sandra in *Aladdin*

W.A.O.S: Diana Easton as Mother Superior in *Sister Act*

Wivenhoe Pantomime Group: Emily Smith and Megan Smith as Eddie and Neddie in *Cinderella* (joint nomination)

Wivenhoe Pantomime Group: Hazel Humphreys as Ronnie the Rat in *Cinderella*

BEST DAME:

Clacton Musical Theatre Society: Peter Norfolk as Widow Twankey in Aladdin

KYDS: Tom Hennessey as Dolly Dumpling in Dick Whittington

Manifest Theatre Group: Nigel Rowe as Flossy and Rob Sadler as Droopy Drawers in Santa Goes on Holiday (joint nomination)

Pantaloons: Esme Powles as Beryl and Jo Speed as Cheryl in Cinderella (joint nomination)

Stane Street Players: Martin James as Sarah the Cook in Dick Whittington

BEST ACTOR:

Colne Engaine Dramatic Society: Dom Casey as El Loco in The Good, the Bad and the Panto

The Essex Group: Kris Tyler as Billy Flynn in Chicago

Headgate Theatre Productions: Kevin Toppo as Long John Silver in Treasure Island

Little Waltham Drama Group: Ash Cobden as Carabosse in Sleeping Beauty

Platform Musicals: Michael Cook as Fredrik Egerman in A Little Night Music

Stane Street Players: Julian Prime as King Rat in Dick Whittington

BEST ACTRESS:

B.A.T.S: Sophie Mercer as Hope Harcourt in Anything Goes

Clacton Musical Theatre Society: Ashlea Moore as Aladdin in Aladdin

The Essex Group: Angela Phillips as Velma and Charlotte Read as Roxie in Chicago (joint nomination)

Kelvedon Players: Milli Finch as D'Artagnan in The Three Musketeers

Manifest Theatre Group: Amanda Rowe as Wicklepedia in Santa Goes on Holiday

Platform Musicals: Jayne Sheeran as Desiree Armfeldt in A Little Night Music

Wickham Bishops Drama Club: Leigh Perry as Aladdin in Aladdin

W.A.O.S: Corrina Wilson as Deloris in Sister Act

Writtle Cards: Sharon Goodwin as Rumpelstiltskin in Rumpelstiltskin and the Sleeping Beauty

THE JACQUE & PETER COLLYER-SMITH TROPHY for BEST MUSICAL:

B.A.T.S:	Anything Goes directed by Pippa Revell
The Essex Group:	Chicago directed by Gary Sullivan
Mad Hatter Productions:	Spring Awakening directed by Will Mugford
Platform Musicals:	A Little Night Music directed by Andrew Hodgson*
W.A.O.S:	<i>Sister Act</i> directed by Robyn Gowers (assisted by Gemma Gray)
Witham Operatic Workshop:	Legally Blonde directed by Nikki Mundell Poole
* not eligible for competition	

ERIC DYSTER CUP for BEST PANTOMIME:

Colne Engaine Dramatic Society: The Good, the Bad and the Panto directed by Jo Davidson

Headgate Theatre Productions: Treasure Island directed by Dawn King

Kelvedon Players:	The Three Musketeers directed by Rosemary Townsend
KYDS:	<i>Dick Whittington</i> directed by Alexandra Berriman
Orpen Players:	Treasure Island directed by Peter Cox (assisted by Catherine Streatfield and Colin Downer)
Pantoloons:	Cinderella directed by Chris Plumridge
Wickham Bishops Drama Club:	Aladdin directed by Sue Matten
Wivenhoe Pantomime Group:	Cinderella directed by Shane Diggins assisted by Abby Scot Simmonds
Writtle Cards:	Rumpelstiltskin and the Sleeping Beauty directed by Katharine Thomas

The following categories cover both the SHOWCASE and FULL-LENGTH PLAY FESTIVALS

TIMMENS AWARD for MUSIC:

B.A.T.S:	The band for their musical accompaniment and Jaquie Lewis for her singing in Anything Goes
KYDS:	The choices, and adaption, of the songs in Dick Whittington
Mad Hatter Productions:	Olly Wood's musical direction and the accompaniment of the band in Spring Awakening
Platform Musicals:	<i>Neil Somerville for his musical direction and orchestrations in A Little Night Music (with commendation to Phil Toms and Chris Slatter for their accompaniment)</i>

West Cliff Youth Theatre:	The musical accompaniment of the band in Summer Holiday
Wickham Bishops Drama Club:	The musicians for their accompaniment in Aladdin
W.A.O.S:	Emma Nash for her musical direction and the accompaniment of the band in Sister Act
Witham Operatic Workshop:	Susannah Edom for her musical direction and the accompaniment of the band in Legally Blonde
Wivenhoe Pantomime Group:	The accompaniment, and participation of the band in Cinderella.

THE TERRY SADLER MEMORIAL TROPHY for FRONT OF HOUSE:

Colne Engaine Dramatic Society:	The Good, the Bad and the Pantomime
KYDS:	Dick Whittington
<i>Little Waltham Drama Group:</i>	<i>Sleeping Beauty</i>
Manifest Theatre Group:	Sherlock Holmes and the Seven Wooden Figurines
Pantoloons:	Cinderella
Six Acre Productions:	Who Killed Fleetwood Mac?

THE MILLENNIUM WRITERS AWARD for BEST ORIGINAL SCRIPT:

Bures Stage Society:	Jack and the Beanstalk by Ross McCrory
<i>Six Acre Productions:</i>	<i>Who Killed Fleetwood Mac? by Tom Hitchcock</i>
<i>Manifest Theatre Group:</i>	<i>Sherlock Holmes and the Seven Wooden Figurines by Tom Hitchcock</i>
Wivenhoe Pantomime Group:	Cinderella by Brian Ford

THE DEBBIE MILLAR SCHOOL OF DANCE AWARD for CHOREOGRAPHY:

B.A.T.S:	Frankie Swan for Anything Goes
The Essex Group:	Vikki Purton for Chicago
<i>Headgate Theatre Productions:</i>	<i>Alice Molnar (assisted by Lorna Perrin) for Treasure Island</i> <i>**WINNER**</i>
KYDS:	Aimee Hart for Dick Whittington
L.A.D.S:	Aimee Hart and Holly Hallam for Show Hits 2019
Manifest Theatre Group:	the Bollywood routine in Santa Goes on Holiday
Witham Operatic Workshop:	Louise Lachance for Legally Blonde
Wivenhoe Pantomime Group:	Angie Diggins and Imy Purkiss for Cinderella

THE JIMMY JAMES MEMORIAL AWARD in recognition for outstanding achievement in DIRECTION

*Tia Winterbottom for Our Little Secret for Colchester Theatre Group and
Alison Baker for Of Mice and Men for Manifest Theatre Group*

FULL-LENGTH PLAY FESTIVAL (18 productions adjudicated)

COSTUME AWARD:

Colchester Theatre Group: The Beauty Queen of Leenane
Headgate Theatre Productions: The Vicar of Dibley
Headgate Theatre Productions: Darker Shores
Manifest Theatre Group: Sherlock Holmes and the Seven Wooden Figurines
Phoenix Theatre Company: Blithe Spirit
The Village Players (Nayland): The Lion in Winter

SET DESIGN/CONSTRUCTION/DRESSING:

Dedham Players: Pressure
Headgate Theatre Productions: Bug
L.A.D.S.: Gaslight
Manifest Theatre Group: Of Mice and Men
Manifest Theatre Group: Sherlock Holmes and the Seven Wooden Figurines
Orpen Players: Wife After Death
The Village Players (Nayland): The Lion in Winter

LYNDON TROPHY for TECHNICAL ACHIEVEMENT:

Colne Engaine Dramatic Society: Karma
Dedham Players: Pressure
Headgate Theatre Productions: Bug **WINNER**
Headgate Theatre Productions: Darker Shores
L.A.D.S.: Gaslight
Manifest Theatre Group: Of Mice and Men
The Village Players (Nayland): The Lion in Winter

THE NORMAN HARRIS TROPHY-ADJUDICATORS' AWARD:

Colchester Theatre Group: Acquisition and use of props in The Beauty Queen of Leenane
Colchester Theatre Group: The ensemble performances of Lilly Matthews, Mairhead Ladyman, Chloe Rollst and April Rand in Numbers
Colne Engaine Dramatic Society: Caroline Lingley, Brenda Newman, and Ian Pike for their characterisations in Karma
*Dedham Players: The sourcing and presentation of the maps,
and acquisition of period props in Pressure*

Headgate Theatre Productions: The special make-up design in Bug

Orpen Players: Colin Downer and Debra Hornigold for their comedy pair playing in *Wife After Death*

The Village Players (Nayland): The ensemble playing of the cast, and individual characterisations, in *The Lion in Winter*

BEST YOUNG ACTOR:

Dedham Players: Joseph Russell as Flight-Lieutenant Carter in *Pressure*

Kelvedon Players: James Hale as Douglas in *Shadowlands*

The Village Players (Nayland): Gareth Moriarty as Prince John in *The Lion in Winter*

BEST YOUNG ACTRESS:

There are no nominations in this category.

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR:

Colchester Theatre Group: Matthew Hankin as Ray in *The Beauty Queen of Leemane* and *Lt. Banks in Our Little Secret*

Dedham Players: Gary Huggins as Colonel Irving Krick in *Pressure*

Headgate Theatre Productions: Peter Harry as Owen Newitt in *The Vicar of Dibley*

Headgate Theatre Productions: Peregrine Maturin-Bird as Tom Beauregard in *Darker Shores*

Maldon Drama Group: David Ford as Jim Trott in *The Vicar of Dibley*

Manifest Theatre Group: Nigel Moreton as Candy in *Of Mice and Men*

Manifest Theatre Group: Paul Man as Sir Cuthbert Worthington-Jones in *Sherlock Holmes and the Seven Wooden Figurines*

Seaview Players: Lee Rowland as Lt. Gruber in *Allo, Allo*

Six Acre Productions: Mike Challis as Mike in *Who Killed Fleetwood Mac?*

The Village Players (Nayland): Sam Pentney as Philip of France in *The Lion in Winter*

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS:

Colchester Theatre Group: Hollie Baines as Darlene in *Our Little Secret*

Headgate Theatre Group: Helen McCraw as Alice Tinker in *The Vicar of Dibley*

Headgate Theatre Productions: Jessica Millar as R.C. in *Bug*

Maldon Drama Group: Heather Lucas as Alice Tinker in *The Vicar of Dibley*

Manifest Theatre Group: Bethany Jones as Lady Arabella Thorn in *Sherlock Holmes and the Seven Wooden Figurines*

Phoenix Theatre Company: Angela Gee as Mrs. Bradman in *Blithe Spirit*

Phoenix Theatre Company: Helen Langley as Madame Arcati in *Blithe Spirit*

Six Acre Productions: Zoe Bell as Kathy in *Who Killed Fleetwood Mac?*

THE DAVID KNIGHT SHIELD for BEST ACTOR:

Dedham Players: Michael Cook as Dr. James Stagg in *Pressure*

Headgate Theatre Productions: Joe Eason as Peter in Bug **WINNER**

Headgate Theatre Productions: James Potter as Prof. Gabriel Stokes in *Darker Shores*

Kelvedon Players: John Holmes as C.S. Lewis in *Shadowlands*

L.A.D.S: Matthew Bacon as Mr. Manningham in *Gaslight*

Manifest Theatre Group: Paul Reed as George and Brandon Lee as Lennie in *Of Mice and Men* (joint nomination)

Manifest Theatre Group: Rob Sadler as Sherlock Holmes in *Sherlock Holmes and the Seven Wooden Figurines*

Seaview Players: Gordon Collen as Rene in *Allo, Allo*

Six Acre Productions: Mike Henderson as Mac in *Who Killed Fleetwood Mac?*

The Village Players (Nayland): John McCarroll as King Henry in *The Lion in Winter*

BEST ACTRESS:

Colchester Theatre Group: Charlotte Still as Maureen Foley in *The Beauty Queen of Leenane*

Dedham Players: Danielle Tile as Kay Summersby in *Pressure*

Headgate Theatre Productions: Kim Anderson as Geraldine Grainger in *The Vicar of Dibley*

Headgate Theatre Productions: Eleanor Kent Dyson as Agnes in *Bug*

Kelvedon Players: Heidi Hamber as Joy Gresham in *Shadowlands*

L.A.D.S: Maddie Butler as Mrs. Manningham in *Gaslight*

Manifest Theatre Group: Amanda Rowe as Lady Veronica Worthington-Jones in *Sherlock Holmes and the Seven Wooden Figurines*

Six Acre Productions: Emma Marsh as Miss Maple in Who Killed Fleetwood Mac?

The Village Players (Nayland): Jackie Grant as Queen Eleanor in The Lion in Winter

THE CLIFF HUDSON AWARD for COMEDY (PRODUCTION):

Headgate Theatre Productions: The Vicar of Dibley directed by David King **WINNER**

Manifest Theatre Group: Sherlock Holmes and the Seven Wooden Figurines directed by Lea Friend

Orpen Players: Wife After Death directed by Mike Poole

Six Acre Productions: Who Killed Fleetwood Mac? directed by Ben Cook

THE DORIS GRIFFITH MEMORIAL CUP for BEST (DRAMATIC) FULL-LENGTH PLAY:

Colchester Theatre Group: The Beauty Queen of Leenane directed by Paul T. Davies

Dedham Players: Pressure directed by Kelvin Hastings-Smith

Headgate Theatre Productions: Bug directed by Will Parrick

L.A.D.S: Gaslight directed by Richard Lang

Manifest Theatre Group: Of Mice and Men directed by Alison Baker

The Village Players (Nayland): The Lion in Winter directed by Jim Bond