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James M. Nederlander or "Jimmy," Chairman of The Nederlander Organization, is the visionary theatrical impresario who built one of the largest private live entertainment companies in the world known for producing and presenting world-class entertainment since 1912.

Jimmy started working in the theatre at age 7 sweeping floors for his father, David Tobias (D.T.) Nederlander, in Detroit, Michigan. During a career that spans over 70 years, Jimmy has amassed a network of premier legitimate theatres including nine on Broadway: the Brooks Atkinson, Gershwin, Lunt-Fontanne, Marquis, Minskoff, Nederlander, Neil Simon, Richard Rodgers, and the world famous Palace; in Chicago: Auditorium and Private Bank Theaters, Broadway Playhouse, Cadillac Palace, and Oriental Theaters; in Los Angeles: The Pantages; and in London: the Adelphi, Aldwych, and Dominion.

He has produced over one hundred acclaimed Broadway musicals and plays including *Annie*, *Applause*, *La Cage aux Folles*, *Les Liaisons Dangereuses*, *Me and My Girl*, *Nine*, *Noises Off*, *Peter Pan*, *Sweet Charity*, *The Life and Adventures of Nicholas Nickleby*, *The Will Rogers Follies*, *Woman of the Year*, and many more.

"Generous," "loyal" and "trusted" are just a few of the accolades his friends use to describe him. Jimmy is beloved by the industry and is the recipient of many distinguished honors including an Honorary Doctorate of Fine Arts from the University of Connecticut (2014), the Exploring the Arts Foundation Award (2014), the United Nations Foundation Champion Award (2012), The Broadway League's Schoenfeld Vision for Arts Education Award (2011), the New York Pop's Man of the Year (2008), and the special Tony Award for Lifetime Achievement (2004). To mark the Nederlanders' centennial in 2012, The New York Landmarks Conservancy proclaimed Jimmy to be a "Living Landmark."

The National High School Musical Theatre Awards is called the Jimmy Award in celebration of his career-long dedication to supporting young talent. This year, Jimmy celebrated his 94th birthday.



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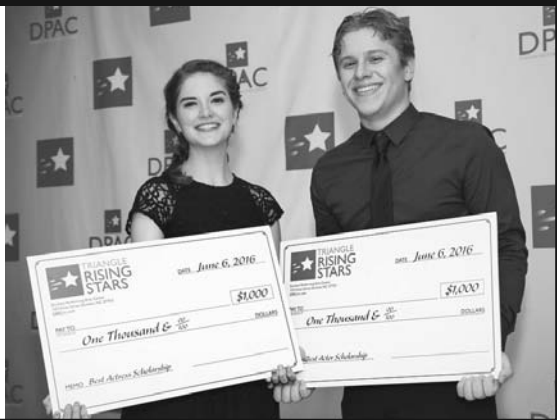


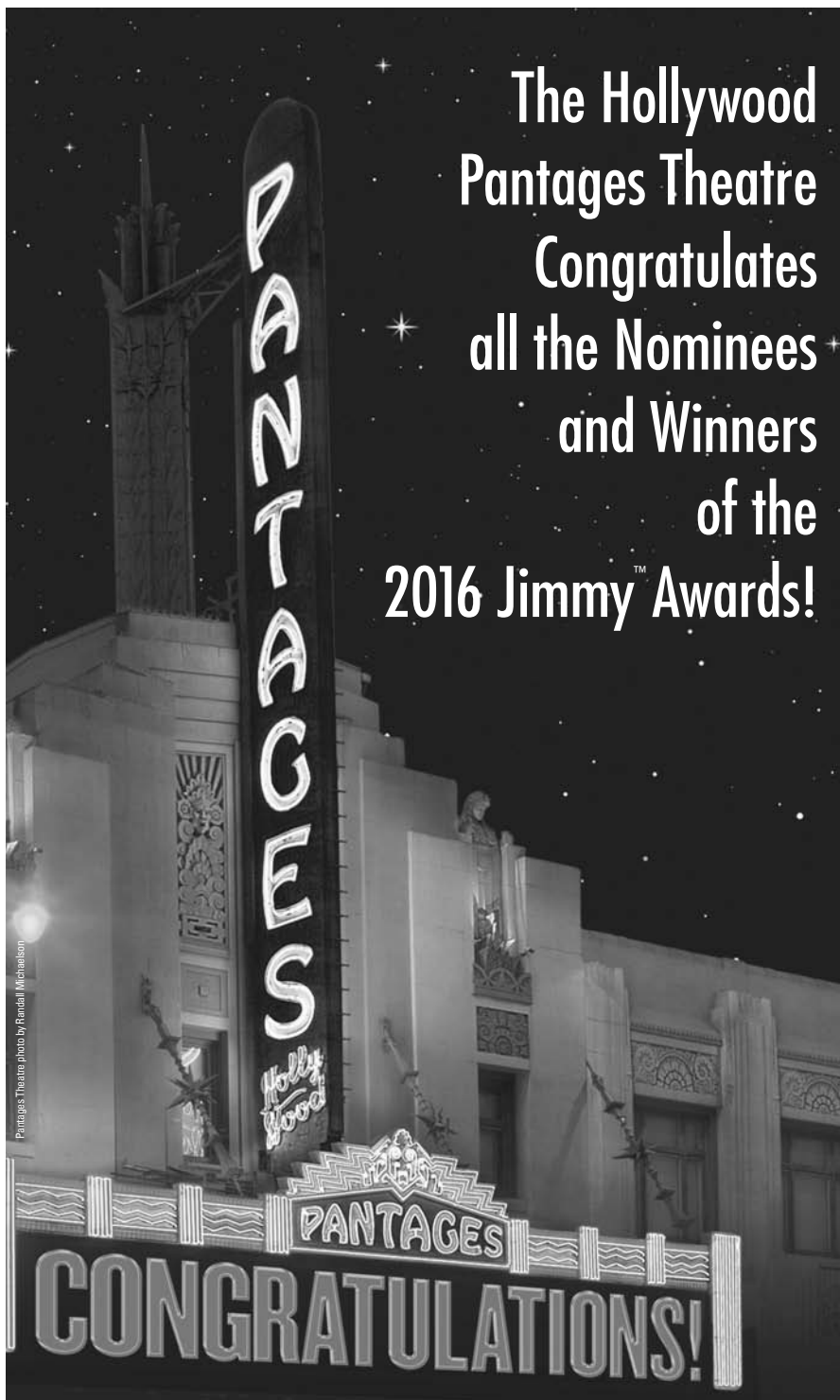
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San Antonio, TX
North East School of the Arts



KAILEY BOYLE
Princess Winnifred,
Once Upon a Mattress
Tommy Awards
Madison, WI
Middleton High School



DEIMONI BREWINGTON
Willard Hewitt,
Footloose
Nevada High School Musical
Theater Awards
Las Vegas, NV
Las Vegas Academy
of the Arts



**MADELINE BARBARA
BURROW**
Mary Poppins,
Mary Poppins
Joci Awards
San Antonio, TX
North East School of the Arts



JACOB BUSH
Amos Hart,
Chicago
Triangle Rising Stars
Durham, NC
Green Hope High School



JACK CAHILL-LEMME
Edward Bloom,
Big Fish
Illinois High School Musical
Theatre Awards
Chicago, IL
Maine South High School



HAYDEN CALL
Beast,
Disney's Beauty and the Beast
The 5th Avenue Awards
Seattle, WA
Glacier Peak High School



CAMERON CHANG
Aldolpho,
The Drowsy Chaperone
The San Diego Ben Vereen
Awards
San Diego, CA
Canyon Crest Academy



SARAH CHICO
Aida,
Aida
Southern Arizona Ben Vereen
Awards
Tucson, AZ
Marana High School



STACY COLEMAN
Deb,
Ordinary Days
Sutton Foster Ovation Awards
East Lansing, MI
Rockford High School



SOPHIA CONDON
Audrey,
Little Shop of Horrors
The Roger Rees Awards
New York, NY
New Dorp High School



JULIANA DAVIDSON
Fantine,
Les Misérables
Popejoy Awards
Albuquerque, NM
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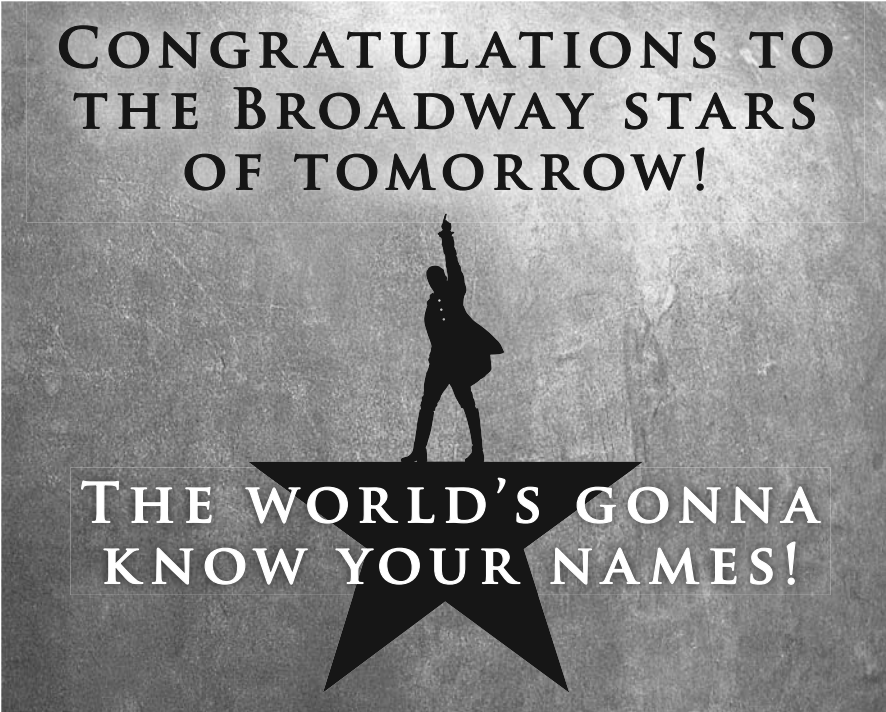


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WILL DAVIS
Henry Jekyll/Edward Hyde,
Jekyll & Hyde
Georgia High School Musical
Theatre Awards
Atlanta, GA
Buford High School



AMANDA DAYHOFF
Fiona,
Shrek The Musical
MACY Awards
La Mirada, CA
Orange Lutheran High School



FRANK DEMMA
Alfred P. Doolittle,
My Fair Lady
The Rita Moreno Awards
San Jose, CA
Novato High School/
Marin School of the Arts



ABIGAIL DeWITTE
Elle Woods,
Legally Blonde
Stars of Tomorrow
Rochester, NY
Wayne Central



LOGAN DOLENCE
Papa Ge,
Once On This Island
Sutton Foster Ovation Awards
East Lansing, MI
Zeeland East High School



AMINA FAYE
Sarah,
Ragtime
The Blumey Awards
Charlotte, NC
Central Academy of
Technology and Arts



DEMARIUS FISHER
Donkey,
Shrek The Musical
Iowa High School Musical
Theater Awards
Des Moines, IA
Roosevelt High School



NOELLE FLORES
Reno Sweeney,
Anything Goes
Tommy Tune Awards
Houston, TX
Stratford High School



JOHN FREDRICKSON
Bert,
Mary Poppins
DSM High School Musical
Theatre Awards
Dallas, TX
Guyer High School



JAZLEY GENOVESE
Mama Morton,
Chicago
The San Diego Ben Vereen
Awards
San Diego, CA
San Diego School of Creative
and Performing Arts



SPENCER GERMANY
Emmett Forrest,
Legally Blonde
The Orpheum High School
Musical Theatre Awards
Memphis, TN
Hutchison School



ALISON ANN GILLESPIE
Mabel,
The Pirates of Penzance
Blue Star Awards
Kansas City, MO
Raymore-Peculiar High School



SAMANTHA GORJANC
Jo March,
Little Women
The Rita Moreno Awards
San Jose, CA
Archbishop Mitty High School



EMMA GRIFFONE
Evlilene,
The Wiz
The Jerry Herman Awards
Los Angeles, CA
Hamilton High School

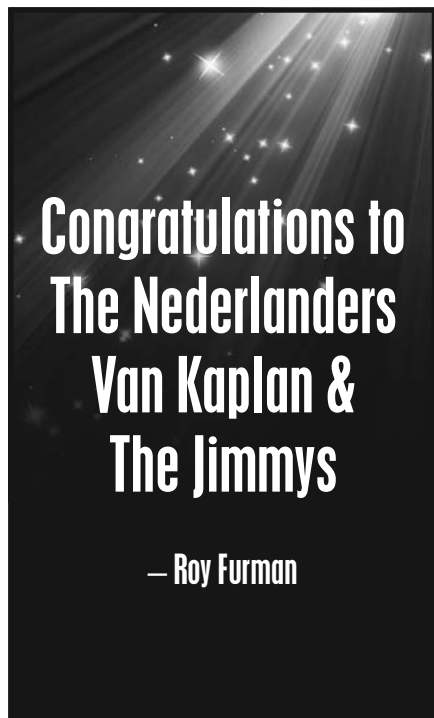


MATTHEW HAKE
Don Lockwood,
Singin' in the Rain
Nebraska High School
Theatre Awards
Omaha, NE
Lincoln Southwest High School



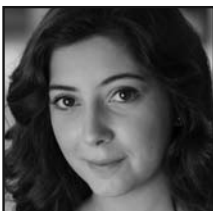
J.R. HECKMAN
Donkey,
Shrek The Musical
Playhouse Square Dazzle
Awards
Cleveland, OH
Solon High School







2016 Jimmy™ Award Nominees



EMMA HEISTAND
Mary Poppins,
Mary Poppins
Applause Awards
Orlando, FL
West Orange High School



FRANCESCA IACOVACCI
Dot/Marie,
Sunday in the Park with George
Broadway Star of the Future
Tampa, FL
Palm Harbor University High



LAUREN JOHNSON
Gertrude McFuzz,
Seussical
Nebraska High School
Theatre Awards
Omaha, NE
Bellevue West High School



RACHEL KAUDERER
Frau Blücher,
Young Frankenstein
The Kenny Awards
Buffalo, NY
Clarence High School



NOAH ANDREW KING
Captain Hook,
Peter Pan
ASU Gammage High School
Theater Awards
Tempe, AZ
Mesa High School



KATE KLIKA
Ariel,
Disney's The Little Mermaid
Playhouse Square Dazzle
Awards
Cleveland, OH
Akron School for the Arts



BLAKE LAFITA
George,
Sunday in the Park with George
Broadway Star of the Future
Tampa, FL
Palm Harbor University High



PONI LEJUKOLE
Eponine,
Les Misérables
Iowa High School Musical
Theater Awards
Des Moines, IA
Waukee High School



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LUCAS LOWRY
Chad,
All Shook Up
Blue Star Awards
Kansas City, MO
Shawnee Mission West High School



KAIDEN LYNN MAINES
The Lady of the Lake,
Monty Python's Spamalot
DSM High School Musical
Theatre Awards
Dallas, TX
Waxahachie High School



GRACE MARTIN
Eve/Mama Nooh,
Children of Eden
The Orpheum High School
Musical Theatre Awards
Memphis, TN
St. Agnes Academy



MARIAH MARTIN
Miss Hannigan,
Annie
Nevada High School Musical
Theater Awards
Las Vegas, NV
Calvary Chapel Christian School



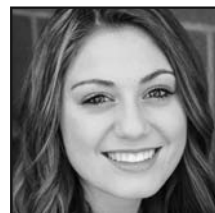
ANGEL MARTINEZ
Gomez Addams,
The Addams Family
Utah High School Musical
Theatre Awards
Logan, UT
Clearfield High School



DEVON McCLESKEY
King Arthur,
Monty Python's Spamalot
Popejoy Awards
Albuquerque, NM
Los Alamos High School



MARK MITRANO
Jimmy Smith,
Thoroughly Modern Millie
Stars of Tomorrow
Rochester, NY
Greece Athena High School



BROOKE MOLTRUM
Fiona,
Brigadoon
The 5th Avenue Awards
Seattle, WA
Camas High School



DEVIN MOORE
Jean Valjean,
Les Misérables
Gene Kelly Awards
Pittsburgh, PA
Chartiers Valley High School



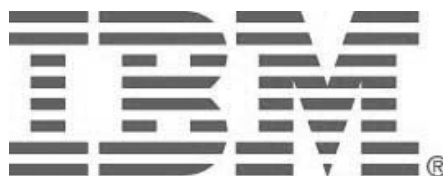
TONY MORENO
Jamie,
The Last Five Years
Applause Awards
Orlando, FL
Trinity Preparatory School



CHARLOTTE MOVIZZO
Charity,
Sweet Charity
The Bobby G Awards
Denver, CO
Ponderosa High School



SHELBEA OWEN
Tracy Turnblad,
Hairspray
Georgia High School Musical
Theatre Awards
Atlanta, GA
Marietta High School



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The Baker,
Into the Woods
The Roger Rees Awards
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Bay Shore High School



HOLLY PAYNE
Peter Pan,
Peter Pan
ASU Gammage High School
Theater Awards
Tempe, AZ
Mesa High School



MARNIE QUICK
Doralee Rhodes,
9 to 5
Gene Kelly Awards
Pittsburgh, PA
Barack Obama Academy of
International Studies



JUSTIN RIVERS
Coalhouse Walker Jr.,
Ragtime
The Blumey Awards
Charlotte, NC
Central Academy of
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HANNAH ROMNEY
Brenda Strong,
Catch Me If You Can
Utah High School Musical
Theatre Awards
Logan, UT
Salt Lake School for the
Performing Arts



DANIEL ROSENBERG
Jesus of Nazareth
Jesus Christ Superstar
Southern Arizona Ben Vereen
Awards
Tucson, AZ
The Gregory School



JOSEPH RUSSI
Gomez Addams,
The Addams Family
The Kenny Awards
Buffalo, NY
Frontier High School



CURTIS J. SALINGER
Emmett Forrest,
Legally Blonde
The Bobby G Awards
Denver, CO
Durango High School



AINSLEY SEIGER
Wednesday Addams
The Addams Family
Triangle Rising Stars
Durham, NC
Apex High School



JOSH STROBL
Link Larkin,
Hairspray
The Jerry Herman Awards
Los Angeles, CA
John Burroughs High School



CECILIA TRIPPEDI
Eliza Doolittle,
My Fair Lady
Illinois High School Musical
Theatre Awards
Chicago, IL
Carl Sandburg High School



TRAVIS ULRICH
Gaston,
Disney's Beauty and the Beast
Tommy Awards
Madison, WI
Wauwatosa East High School



ADRIAN VILLEGAS
Stone,
City of Angels
MACY Awards
La Mirada, CA
Huntington Beach High School



MUHAMMAD YUNUS
Usnavi,
In the Heights
Tommy Tune Awards
Houston, TX
Foster High School





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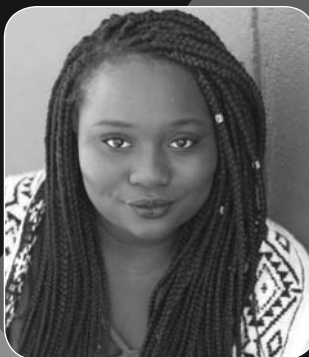
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Justin Rivers, Best Actor, 2016 Blumey Awards



Amina Faye, Best Actress, 2016 Blumey Awards

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To my two favorite Jimmys,

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The Broadway League has bestowed the League Educator Apple Awards since 2003 to recognize teachers, administrators, school district heads, and advocates from around the country for their commitment to arts education, as well as their work in collaboration with Broadway League member venues that present Broadway and Touring Broadway shows. Through this award and other initiatives, The Broadway League encourages the ongoing development of theatre education programs around the country. This year's recipients:

Recipient: DAWN DUNHAM, Civics Teacher

Organization name: Maitland Middle School, Maitland, FL

Nominated by: Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

Dawn Dunham is being recognized for her efforts to integrate the arts into her 7th grade Civics classroom, as well as the Language Arts Department at Maitland Middle School. Ms. Dunham used *Newsies* to teach her students about the power of the press, child labor laws, and the significance of having a voice in politics. With *The Sound of Music*, Ms. Dunham's students analyzed the different political structures of the United States and Germany and created political cartoons depicting the lives of the characters in the show. Her work has increased students' engagement in both the classroom and the theatre. Outside of the classroom, she and her students sold over \$500 worth of newspapers before performances of *Newsies* to benefit Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS.



DAWN DUNHAM

Recipient: DENISE SASIAIN, Afterschool Program Director

Organization name: Lantana Elementary, Lantana, FL

Nominated by: The Raymond F. Kravis Center for the Performing Arts

Denise Sasiain is the Afterschool Program Director at Lantana Elementary School. In association with the Kravis Center, she oversees the school's *Broadway Reach* program. She participated in a collaboration with Milton Hall Primary School in London to engage her students in a unique international theatre and writing learning experience. Her students have written stories inspired by *Matilda the Musical* that display how the show has changed their perception of the world and left them feeling more empowered. Ms. Sasiain makes providing theatre for elementary age students her mission and is continuously applying for grants to assure theatre is an integral part of her students' lives year-round. Ms. Sasiain also brings teaching artists into her school to educate both the students and staff. As a result of her efforts, attendance and engagement has increased at both Lantana Elementary and the Kravis Center.



DENISE SASIAIN

Recipient: ELISA DE GREGORIO, Arts Education Liaison and Art Specialist

Organization name: Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis High School for International Careers, New York, NY

Nominated by: Roundabout Theatre Company

Elisa De Gregorio is passionate about creating a new generation of socially and environmentally conscious individuals through theatre. As her school's Arts Education Liaison and Art Specialist, she has started *Smash Arts Productions*, where students devise theatrical pieces based on social and environmental issues and their performances are fundraisers that benefit those issues. Her students incorporate Roundabout Theatre Company's productions as inspiration for their pieces. Their work includes a piece inspired by Roundabout's production of *Cabaret*, which examined the stigma of HIV/AIDS and looked at the early days of the epidemic and today. Ms. De Gregorio is changing the way students view the world through theatre education.



ELISA DE GREGORIO



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