

**N.E.T.G. SHOWCASE FESTIVAL 2016-17**  
(30 productions were adjudicated this season)

**KING COSTUME AWARD**

B.A.T.S:	Little Shop of Horrors
C.M.T.S. Youth:	Alice in Wonderland
The Essex Group:	Puss in Boots
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Father Christmas
Kelvedon Players:	Camelot-the Panto
KYDS:	Aladdin
Little Waltham Drama Group:	Pirates of the Panto
Manifest Theatre Group:	Scrooge-the Musical
Orpen Players:	Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs
Platform Musicals & Plays:	On the Twentieth Century
Tollesbury Amateur Players:	Alice in Wonderland
Village Players Nayland:	Cinderella
Wickham Bishops Drama Club:	Babes in the Wood
W.A.O.S:	Spamalot
Wivenhoe Pantomime Group:	Alice in Wonderland

**JEAN JONES AWARD FOR SET DESIGN/CONSTRUCTION/DRESSING**

Bentley Green Players:	Jack and the Beanstalk
B.A.T.S:	Little Shop of Horrors
Brightlingsea Musical Theatre Group:	Bad Girls-the Musical
Colne Engaine Dramatic Society:	Treasure Island
Kelvedon Players:	Camelot-the Panto
Orpen Players:	Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs
Tollesbury Amateur Players:	Alice in Wonderland
Village Players Nayland:	Cinderella
Westcliff Youth Theatre:	Oliver!
W.O.W:	Loserville
Wivenhoe Pantomime Group:	Alice in Wonderland

**TECHNICAL ACHIEVEMENT**

B.A.T.S:	The construction & presentation of Audrey 2 in Little Shop of Horrors
Brightlingsea Musical Theatre Group:	Lighting/sound/projections in Bad Girls-the Musical
The Essex Group:	Lighting/sound in Puss in Boots
The Essex Group:	Lighting/sound Les Miserables
Kelvedon Players:	Lighting in Camelot-the Panto
Manifest Theatre Group:	Lighting/sound/effects in Scrooge-the Musical
Orpen Players:	Lighting/sound in Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs
Platform Musicals & Plays:	Lighting in On the Twentieth Century
Platform Musicals & Plays:	Lighting in Bernstein on Broadway
W.A.O.S:	Lighting/projections in Spamalot
W.O.W:	Lighting in Loserville

## **ADJUDICATORS' AWARD**

Bentley Green Players:	The enthusiasm of the young chorus in Jack and the Beanstalk
Bures Stage Society:	The energy and performances of the young cast in Good King Wenceslas
The Essex Group:	Choreography, dancing and chorus work in Puss in Boots & Les Miserables
The Kelvedon Players:	Martyn and Lesley Hill for their pair-playing in Camelot-the Panto
KYDS:	The enthusiasm and discipline of the ensemble in Aladdin
KYDS:	The four Narrators in Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat
Mad Hatter Productions:	Nathan Rigg and Ella D'Arcy Jones for their pair performances as Gilbert & Joyce Chilvers in Betty Blue Eyes (Joint nomination)
Platform Musicals & Plays:	Wade Ablitt for his performance in Bernstein on Broadway
Village Players Nayland:	The performance and presentation of the "Harlequinade" sequence in Cinderella
Westcliff Youth Theatre:	The ensemble performance of "Who Will Buy?" in Oliver!
W.A.O.S:	Choreography and dancing in Spamalot

## **BEST YOUNG ACTOR (21 and Under)**

C.M.T.S. Youth:	Nathan & Robbie Peck as Tweedledum and Tweedledee in Alice in Wonderland (Joint nomination)
The Essex Group:	Tom Jervis as Ruffalino & George Bedwell as King Flange in Puss in Boots (Joint nomination)
The Essex Group:	Scott Olley as Jean Valjean in Les Miserables
KYDS:	Charlie Warner as Wishee Washee in Aladdin
KYDS:	Ben Collins as Joseph in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
Westcliff Youth Theatre:	Luke Grint as Mr. Bumble in Oliver!
Wickham Bishops Drama Club:	Jenson Bacon as Tommy in Babes in the Wood
W.A.O.S:	Harry Tunningley as Not Dead Fred/Concorde in Spamalot, Cookie in Return to the Forbidden Planet & Lucas Lloyd in Loserville (W.O.W.)
W.O.W:	Chris Tierney as Michael Dork in Loserville

## **BEST YOUNG ACTRESS (21 and Under)**

Bentley Green Players:	Faith Garner as Sally Snatchett in Jack and the Beanstalk
B.A.T.S:	Rebecca Hoskyns as Audrey in Little Shop of Horrors
Bures Stage Society:	Lucy Turner as Wenceslas in Good King Wenceslas
C.M.T.S. Youth:	Hermione Wood as Cater P in Alice in Wonderland
C.M.T.S:	Tabither Mann as Small Alice in Alice in Wonderland

The Essex Group:	Lily Downes as Felene in Puss in Boots
The Essex Group:	Maddy Rydzik as Eponine in Les Miserables
Kelvedon Players:	Millie Etherington as Prince Arthur in Camelot-the Panto
KYDS:	Ellie Russell as Ethelazar in Aladdin
Mad Hatter Productions:	Ellena Bacon as Mother Dear in Betty Blue Eyes
Orpen Players:	Abby Sadler as Prince Rupert in Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs
Westcliff Youth Theatre:	Phoebe Wiggett as Widow Corney in Oliver! & Sylvia in All Shook Up for C.M.T.S.
W.O.W:	Isabella Chapman as Holly Manson in Loserville
Wivenhoe Pantomime Group:	Imy Purkiss as Alice & Maisy Reed as Little Alice in Alice in Wonderland (Joint Nomination)

### **BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR**

C.M.T.S:	Drew Welham as Rico Castelli in Copacabana
C.M.T.S:	David Richardson as Dennis in All Shook Up
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Kevin Topples as The Toy Professor in Father Christmas-the Panto
Little Waltham Drama Group:	Ash Cobden as Captain Spongebag Roundpants in Pirates of the Panto
Manifest Theatre Group:	Adrian Bolton as Ghost of Christmas Present in Scrooge-the Musical
Manifest Theatre Group:	John Roberts as Bob Cratchit in Scrooge-the Musical
Tollesbury Amateur Players:	Ian Clark & Jon Salmon as Tweedledee & Tweedledum in Alice in Wonderland (Joint nomination)
Wickham Bishops Drama Club:	Jack Williams as Jingles in Babes in the Wood
W.A.O.S:	Trevor Marks as Patsy in Spamalot
Wivenhoe Pantomime Group:	Glynn Evans as The Mad Hatter in Alice in Wonderland

### **BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS**

Brightlingsea Musical Theatre: Group	Lynne Farlie as Julie Saunders in Bad Girls-the Musical
C.M.T.S:	Katie Barnett as Conchita Alvarez in Copacabana
Colne Engaine Dramatic Society:	Belinda Hector as Sam and Melissa Harris as Ella in Treasure Island (Joint nomination)
The Essex Group:	Jackie Parry as Queen Verminilla in Puss in Boots
Manifest Theatre Group:	Anna Maria Hyman as Isabel/Helen in Scrooge-the Musical
Tollesbury Amateur Players:	Jackie Quilter as The White Rabbit in Alice in Wonderland
Village Players Nayland:	Maggie Ryan as The Fairy Godmother in Cinderella
Wivenhoe Pantomime Group:	Megan Smith as Queen of Hearts in Alice in Wonderland

## **BEST DAME**

Bentley Green Players:	Doug Garner as Dame Trot in Jack and the Beanstalk
Colne Engaine Dramatic Society:	Darran Lingley as Ma Hawkins in Treasure Island
Headgate Theatre Productions:	David King as Reindeer Ruby in Father Christmas-the Panto
Pantoloons:	Bernie Smith as Beryl in Sleeping Beauty

## **BEST ACTOR**

B.A.T.S:	Ryan Maslen as Seymour in Little Shop of Horrors
Brightlingsea Musical Theatre: Group	Danny Wallis as Fenner in Bad Girls-the Musical
Colne Engaine Dramatic Society:	Dom Casey as Long John Silver in Treasure Island
Manifest Theatre Group:	Paul George as Young Ebenezer/Harry in Scrooge-the Musical
Pantoloons:	Craig Tyler as Prince Phillip in Sleeping Beauty
Platform Musicals & Plays:	Ben Adams as Oliver Webb & Will Mugford as Owen O'Malley in On the Twentieth Century (Joint nomination)
Village Players Nayland: W.A.O.S:	John McCarroll as Baron Hardup in Cinderella David Everest-Ring as Captain Tempest in Return to the Forbidden Planet

## **BEST ACTRESS**

Brightlingsea Musical Theatre: Group	Joanne Morris as Nikki in Bad Girls-the Musical
C.M.T.S:	Rachel Welham as Lola/Samantha in Copacabana
C.M.T.S:	Kirstie Heathcote as Natalie Haller in All Shook Up
Little Waltham Drama Group:	Tash Wootton as Capt. Zac Sparrow in Pirates of the Panto
Orpen Players:	Debra Hornigold as Queen Malicious in Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs
Platform Musicals & Plays:	Sara Green as Letitia Primrose in On the Twentieth Century
Platform Musicals & Plays:	Jayne Sheeran as Lily Garland in On the Twentieth Century
W.A.O.S:	Constance Lawton as The Lady of the Lake and Princess Aurora in Sleeping Beauty for Pantoloons

## **COLLYER-SMITH MARINE TROPHY FOR BEST MUSICAL**

B.A.T.S:	Little Shop of Horrors directed by Pippa Revell
Brightlingsea Musical Theatre: Group	Bad Girls-the Musical directed by Lucy Weaver

C.M.T.S:	All Shook Up directed by David Thompson
The Essex Group:	Les Miserables (Junior) directed by Gary Sullivan
KYDS:	Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat directed by Alex Berriman
Mad Hatter Productions:	Betty Blue Eyes directed by Wade Ablitt
Manifest Theatre Group:	Scrooge-the Musical directed by Kerry King
Platform Musicals & Plays:	On the Twentieth Century directed by Andrew Hodgson*
W.A.O.S:	Spamalot directed by Nikki Mundell-Poole
W.O.W:	Loserville directed by Cathy Court

### **ERIC DYSTER CUP FOR BEST PANTOMIME/CHILDREN'S PLAY**

C.M.T.S:	Alice in Wonderland directed by Sam McCarthy
Colne Engaine Dramatic Society:	Treasure Island directed by Pat Seward & Jo Davidson
The Essex Group:	Puss in Boots directed by Gary Sullivan
Kelvedon Players:	Camelot-the Panto directed by Rosemary Townsend
Little Waltham Drama Group:	Pirates of the Panto directed by Jenny Broadway
Village Players Nayland:	Cinderella directed by Emma Wallis
Wivenhoe Pantomime Group:	Alice in Wonderland directed by Greg & Sarah Smith

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

### **TIMMENS AWARD FOR MUSIC**

B.A.T.S:	Musical direction (John Hoskyns) and accompaniment in Little Shop of Horrors
The Essex Group:	Musical direction (Richard Harrison) and accompaniment in Les Miserables
Little Waltham Drama Group:	Musical accompaniment and Company singing in Pirates of the Panto
Mad Hatter Productions:	Musical direction (Daniel Warren) and ensemble singing (with special commendation for the ladies trio) in Betty Blue Eyes
Maldon Drama Group:	Use of music (incl. cello playing and singing) in Far From the Madding Crowd
Platform Musicals & Plays:	Musical direction (Phil Toms) and ensemble singing in On the Twentieth Century & Bernstein on Broadway
W.A.O.S:	Musical direction (Geoff Osborne) and orchestral playing in Spamalot
W.A.O.S:	Collective "out of this world" singing of the cast in Return to the Forbidden Planet
W.O.W:	The on-stage band in Loserville
Wivenhoe Pantomime Group:	Nick and Julie-Anne White for their musical direction in Alice in Wonderland and The Merchant of Venice for Wivenhoe Open Air Shakespeare

### **THE TERRY SADLER MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR FRONT OF HOUSE**

(nominations based on hospitality, refreshments, posters/programmes, displays etc.)

Bardfield Players  
C.M.T.S  
The Essex Group  
Headgate Theatre Productions  
L.A.D.S.  
Little Waltham Drama Group  
Tollesbury Amateur Players  
Wickham Bishops Drama Club  
W.A.O.S

### **THE MILLENNIUM WRITERS AWARD FOR BEST ORIGINAL SCRIPT**

Bures Stage Society:	Good King Wenceslas by Ross McCory
The Essex Group:	Puss in Boots by Gary Sullivan
Orpen Players:	Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs by Peter Cox
Pantoloons:	Sleeping Beauty by Katrina Holding & Nathan Rowland
Tollesbury Amateur Players:	Home Free by Joanne Smith

### **THE JIMMY JAMES MEMORIAL AWARD FOR DIRECTION**

The recipient of this award will be announced at the Awards Ceremony on 8/9/17

## **N.E.T.G. FULL-LENGTH PLAY FESTIVAL NOMINATIONS**

(35 productions adjudicated this season)

### **COSTUME AWARD**

B.A.T.S:	Bunkered
Colchester Theatre Group:	Daisy Pulls It Off
Colchester Theatre Group:	Miss Julie
Dedham Players:	Lend Me a Tenor
Dedham Players:	God of Carnage
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Di and Viv and Rose
Headgate Theatre Productions:	For Services Rendered
Kelvedon Players:	The Rivals
Manifest Theatre Group:	Lady in the Van
Village Players Nayland:	The Deep Blue Sea
Wivenhoe Open Air Shakespeare:	The Merchant of Venice
Writtle Cards:	A Tomb with a View

### **SET DESIGN/CONSTRUCTION/DRESSING**

Colchester Theatre Group:	Miss Julie
Dedham Players:	Lend Me a Tenor
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Yes Prime Minister
Headgate Theatre Productions:	For Services Rendered
Kelvedon Players:	The Love Nest
L.A.D.S:	The Hound of the Baskervilles
Maldon Drama Group:	Prescription Murder
Manifest Theatre Group:	The Lady in the Van
Orpen Players:	Something's Burning
Village Players Nayland:	The Deep Blue Sea
Writtle Cards:	My Own Show

### **LYNDON TROPHY FOR TECHNICAL ACHIEVEMENT**

Colchester Theatre Group:	Lighting/ sound in Daisy Pulls It Off
Colne Engaine Dramatic Society:	Lighting/sound in Fools Call It Fate
Dedham Players:	Sound in Lend Me a Tenor
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Lighting/sound Harold Pinter Double Bill
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Lighting in For Services Rendered
Kelvedon Players:	Lighting in The Rivals
L.A.D.S:	Lighting/sound/effects in The Hound of the Baskervilles
Manifest Theatre Group:	Lighting/sound in Glorious
Phoenix Theatre Company:	Lighting in Nightmare

### **THE NORMAN HARRIS TROPHY- ADJUDICATORS' AWARD**

Colne Engaine Dramatic Society:	The committed performances of the cast in Fools Call It Fate
Dedham Players:	Claire Nicholson for her production concept in God of Carnage
Headgate Theatre Productions:	The acquisition and use of props in The Play What I Wrote

Headgate Theatre Productions: Elly Kent Dyson, Charlie Still and Amy Bleasdale for their team playing in Di and Viv and Rose

Headgate Theatre Productions: The individual/ensemble acting of the cast in For Services Rendered

Mad Hatter Productions: The team playing of the class of Boys in The History Boys

Manifest Theatre Group: Amanda Rowe for her performance of "The Queen of the Night's Aria" (as Florence Foster Jenkins) in Glorious!

Wivenhoe Open Air Shakespeare: Robin Durance for his delightful cameo performance as Old Gobbo in The Merchant of Venice

Writtle Cards: Paulette Harris for her comic playing in My Own Show

### **BEST YOUNG ACTOR**

Bocking Theatre Group: Scott McIntyre as Tom in Poetic Justice

Kelvedon Players: Tom Campe as Capt. Jack Absolute in The Rivals

Mad Hatter Productions: Jack Nayler as Dakin & Nathan Rigg as Posner in The History Boys (Joint nomination)

Phoenix Theatre Company: Liam O'Connor as Raymond Shapley in Nightmare

### **BEST YOUNG ACTRESS**

The recipient of this award will be announced at the Awards Evening on 8/9/17

### **BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR**

B.A.T.S: Mark Hinson as Connor in Bunkered

Colchester Theatre Group: Rob Sadler as Miss Grenville/Mademoiselle in Daisy Pulls It Off

Dedham Players: Colin Biggins as Saunders in Lend Me a Tenor

Headgate Theatre Productions: Colin Downer as Bardolph in Entertaining Angels

Headgate Theatre Productions: Jack Biggs as Bernard Woolley in Yes Prime Minister

Headgate Theatre Productions: Wayne Setford as Sydney Ardsley in For Services Rendered (special commendation for his acting debut in a play)

Kelvedon Players: Michael Howard as Faulkland in The Rivals

L.A.D.S: Robin Warnes as Dr. Watson in The Hound of the Baskervilles

Village Players Nayland: Justin Dowding as Philip Welch in The Deep Blue Sea

Wivenhoe Open Air Shakespeare: Martin Sparks as Antonio in The Merchant of Venice

Writtle Cards: Daniel Curley as Marcus & Boot Banes as Lucien Tomb in A Tomb with a View (Joint nomination)



## **BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS**

Bardfield Players:	Louisa Ruthven as Violet in Steaming
B.A.T.S:	Sophie Mercer as Taylor in Bunkered (also eligible in the Best Young Actress category)
Colchester Theatre Group:	Megan Symkiss as Trixie Meredith in Daisy Pulls It Off
Colchester Theatre Group:	Rebecca Wieland as Christine in Miss Julie
Dedham Players:	Claire Nicholson as Maria Merelli in Lend Me a Tenor
Kelvedon Players:	Heidi Hamber as Tina Lewis in The Love Nest & Lydia Languish in The Rivals
Manifest Theatre Group:	Gina Macmillan as Mam in The Lady in the Van
Manifest Theatre Group:	Angie Smith as Maria in Glorious
Phoenix Theatre Company:	Jade Flack as Laura Vinnecombe in Nightmare
Village Players Nayland:	Sharon Pentney as Mrs. Elton in The Deep Blue Sea
Writtle Cards:	Liz Curley as Agatha Hammond in A Tomb with a View
Writtle Cards:	Michele Moody as Maxine Stuart in 84 Charing Cross Road
Wivenhoe Open Air Shakespeare:	Julie Thompson as Lancelot Gobbo in The Merchant of Venice

## **THE DAVID KNIGHT SHIELD FOR BEST ACTOR**

Colchester Theatre Group:	Michael Cook as Farquhar & Will Parrick as Styler in Mindgame (Joint nomination)
Colne Engaine Dramatic Society:	Ian Pike as Henry Smith in Short Tails and Tall Tales
Dedham Players:	Paul Reed as Max in Lend Me a Tenor
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Kevin Topple as Joe in The Play What I Wrote
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Anthony Roberts as Harry Kane in The Collection (Harold Pinter Double Bill)
Kelvedon Players:	Russell Winsor as Sir Anthony Absolute in The Rivals
L.A.D.S:	Daniel Tunbridge as Gordon in The Farndale "A Christmas Carol"
L.A.D.S:	Alan Elkins as Sherlock Holmes in The Hound of the Baskervilles
Maldon Drama Group:	Paul Bonnicci as Gabriel Oak in Far From the Madding Crowd
Maldon Drama Group:	Scott Peters as Lt. Colombo in Prescription Murder
Manifest Theatre Group:	Paul George & Paul Reed as Alan Bennett in The Lady in the Van (Joint nomination)
Wickham Bishops Drama Club:	Graham Pipe as Rene in Allo Allo
Wivenhoe Open Air Shakespeare:	Tim Glover as Shylock in The Merchant of Venice

## **BEST ACTRESS**

Colchester Theatre Group:	Charlotte Harknett as Miss Julie in Miss Julie
Colne Engaine Dramatic Society:	Michelle Sparkes as Ginger/Sally in Short Tails and Tall Tales
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Jackie Grant as Grace in Entertaining Angels & Deborah in A Kind of Alaska (Harold Pinter Double Bill)
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Elly Kent Dyson as Di in Di and Viv and Rose
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Sara Green as Charlotte Ardsley in For Services Rendered
Kelvedon Players:	Giovanna Austin as Mrs. Malaprop in The Rivals
Maldon Drama Group:	Nikita Eve as Bathsheba Everdene in Far From the Madding Crowd
Manifest Theatre Group:	Helen Bridge as Miss Shepherd in The Lady in the Van
Orpen Players:	Debra Hornigold as Nell in Something's Burning
Phoenix Theatre Company:	Jo Fosker as Katherine Willis in Nightmare
Village Players Nayland:	Suzanne Harknett as Hester Collyer in The Deep Blue Sea
Wivenhoe Open Air Shakespeare:	Clare Kane as Portia in The Merchant of Venice

## **THE CLIFF HUDSON AWARD FOR COMEDY (PRODUCTION)**

Bardfield Players:	Streuth! directed by Ian Ruffle
Colchester Theatre Group:	Daisy Pulls It Off! directed by Ian Amos
Dedham Players:	Lend Me a Tenor directed by Kelvin Hastings-Smith
Headgate Theatre Productions:	The Play What I Wrote directed by Anthony Roberts
L.A.D.S:	Farndale Avenue "A Christmas Carol" directed by Carole Hart
Orpen Players:	Something's Burning directed by Michael Poole
Wickham Bishops Drama Club:	Allo, Allo directed by Michelle Bacon
Writtle Cards:	My Own Show directed by Clare Williams

## **THE DORIS GRIFFITH MEMORIAL CUP FOR BEST (DRAMATIC) FULL-LENGTH PLAY**

Colchester Theatre Group:	Miss Julie directed by Anthony Roberts
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Di and Viv and Rose directed by Steve Wooldridge
Headgate Theatre Productions:	Harold Pinter Double Bill: A Kind of Alaska directed by Andrew Hodgson* & The Collection directed by Sheila Foster
Headgate Theatre Productions:	For Services Rendered directed by Andrew Hodgson*
Manifest Theatre Group:	The Lady in the Van directed by Kerry King
Village Players Nayland:	The Deep Blue Sea directed by Chrissie Kettle
Wivenhoe Open Air Shakespeare:	The Merchant of Venice directed by Clare Durance with Sheila Foster

\* commendation only, not eligible for competition