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THE



Drama League Awards: History



Recognizing outstanding achievements on and off Broadway since 1935.

First presented in 1922 and formalized in 1935, The Drama League Awards are the oldest theatrical honors in America. They are the only major theatrical awards chosen by the ENTIRE theater community – specifically, by the Drama League members nationwide who attend Broadway and Off-Broadway productions.

League members include award-winning actors, designers, directors, playwrights, producers, industry veterans, critics, and dedicated audiences from across the nation.

A Star-Studded Luncheon

"a wonderful, notoriously swanky affair" - Playbill

At the height of the theatrical season each May, and as a precursor to the Tony Awards, The Drama League Awards are presented in seven competitive categories, plus four special honors during a star-studded luncheon ceremony.

> "The best party on Broadway." - John Lithgow



Competitive Awards Categories



Awards Voted on by Members:

• Distinguished Performance Award • Outstanding Direction of a Play • Outstanding Direction of a Musical • Outstanding Production of a Play • Outstanding Production of a Musical • Outstanding Revival of a Play • Outstanding Revival of a Musical

Distinguished Performance Award



This is the oldest and most exclusive theatrical honor in North America.

First presented to Katherine Cornell in 1935 (for "Romeo and Juliet"), the award is bestowed each season to a single performer from over 60 nominated performances from Broadway and Off-Broadway.

Past Award recipients include: James Earl Jones (1987) - Glenn Close (1992) Hugh Jackman (2004) - Lin-Manuel Miranda (2016)

Honorary Awards *







LILEANA BLAIN-CRUZ

Founders Award for Excellence in Directing

BILLY CRYSTAL

Contribution to Theatre Award

HUGH JACKMAN

Distinguished Achievement in Musical Theatre



WILLETTE KLAUSNER The Gratitude

Award

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For a \$100,000 investment, the opportunity to be The Drama League Awards Presenting Sponsor comes with a myriad of benefits including, but not limited to:



- Exclusive listing in the title of the Awards as the Presenting Sponsor releases, social media, website and email blasts
- Verbal recognition at the event by Drama League Leadership
- All guests invited to the exclusive VIP Nominees reception
- Exclusive Logo Inclusion on Step & Repeat with The Drama League • 30 Guests / 3 front row tables to the Awards Luncheon • Listing as Presenting Sponsor on all print and digital materials, press • Premium Print and Digital Journal Ad and Logo Placement
- Red Carpet Photo Opportunities
- Content Creation / Activation Opportunity to be mutually agreed upon



Table Sponsorships

Gold VIP Table \$25,000

- 10 guests seating in front row at luncheon
- 10 guests access to VIP Nominees Reception
- Gold page in Commemorative Journal
- 2 guests invited to nomination press breakfast
- Listing in media releases, e-invitation, event webpage, dedicated social media post

Silver VIP Table \$10,000

- 8 guests seating with priority placement at luncheon
- 8 guests access to VIP Nominees Reception
- Silver page in Commemorative Journal
- 2 artists/honorees seated at your table
- 2 guests invited to nomination press breakfast
- Listing in media releases, e-invitation, event webpage







Bronze Table \$5,000

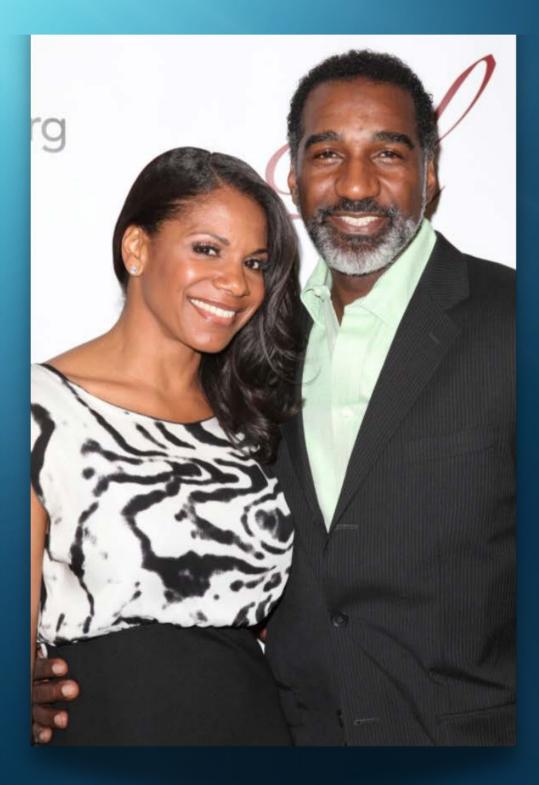
• 8 guests seating at luncheon • Full page Ad in Journal • Listing on e-invitation and event webpage



Important Deadlines for Sponsors

- February 15 Save the Date Email blast to industry and supporters (15,000+ list)
- Week of
March 7Press announcement of Honorary
Awards & current sponsors
- March 25
- April 01
- April 20
- April 25
- April 29
- May 6

- Email invite with honorees & sponsors
- Final print deadline for printed invitation Awards voting closed
 - Nominations Press Breakfast at NYPL
 - VIP Step and Repeat banners printed
 - Journal Print Deadline





Special Thanks

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> Donna Daniels Irene Gandy Sarah Hutton Una Jackman Paula Kaminsky Davis Joseph Pizza **Townsend Teague** Kumiko Yoshii

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2022 VIP Table Sponsors BroadwayHD J.P. Morgan Next List Iris Smith

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