

Henry Award Nominations 2023

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**17th Annual Henry Awards Ceremony Information and Nominee List**  
**Additional Special Awards information will be announced in July**

The Colorado Theatre Guild's Annual Henry Awards will take place on Monday, July 24, 2023 at the Wolf Theatre, DCPA Theatre Company, Denver Center for the Performing Arts.

From Betty Hart, Henry Awards Committee Chair and Board President,

“I’m beyond thrilled to see the 2023 Henry Awards taking place under the direction of Alicia Young and Samwell Rose with Connie Lane stage managing once again. Deep gratitude to the incredible staff at the Denver Center as well as the incomparable contributions of RayBailey.TV. Together, we will celebrate the rich tapestry of the Colorado theatre community.”

Pre-ceremony social time in the Wolf Theatre lobby starts at 6pm Mountain time, the ceremony begins via live-stream and in-person at 7pm Mountain time, and the evening concludes with a catered after-party on-site. Ticket sales are available starting Thursday, June 22nd and can be purchased via the DCPA website (<https://www.denvercenter.org/>), by phone (303-893-4100), or going in-person to 1301 13th St. Denver, CO 80204. Their box office is open Monday-Saturday, 10am-6pm Mountain time and is closed on major U.S. holidays.

Advance Sales :

—In-person: \$45 for CTG members, \$55 for the general public, \$65 day of purchase\*

—Live-stream: \$20 CTG member, \$25 general public

(price continues until event begins live-streaming)

\*Day of sales for in-person attendance are \$65 regardless of membership status.

This year, the Henry Awards will be co-directed by Alicia “Lisa” Young (she/her) and Samwell Rose (they/them) with musical direction led by Alec Steinhorn and stage management led by Connie Lane.

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**Alicia Young (she/her)** is a long-time performer, director, producer, advocate, CTG Board Member, and Founder of IDEA Stages, a grassroots outreach organization providing resources and accountability to galvanize theater makers to take demonstrable action toward inclusion, diversity, equity, and accessibility in their stage work. More information at <https://www.ideastages.org/about>

**Samwell Rose (they/them)** is an integrated theatre artist with a background in devising, directing, producing, performance, education, and writing. They were born and raised in Colorado and recently moved back after an 8-year journey in Portland, OR. They graduated with a BA in Theatre and minor in Russian, and they studied abroad at the Moscow Art Theatre. They have devised and performed two solo shows (*BABA YAGA* and *MANIFESTO*), and have worked locally with Benchmark Theatre, Denver Center for Performing Arts, Denver Children's Theatre, The Arvada Center, Creede Repertory Theatre, and Buntport Theater. They are passionate about DEIA (diversity, equity, inclusion, and access) in the arts and also provide professional DEIA consultation to arts organizations. They most recently worked as Associate Director and DEIA Consultant for Benchmark Theatre's production of *STONEWALL*.

Established in 2006, the Henry Awards honor artistic excellence during the past season and serves as one of the Colorado Theatre Guild's annual fundraising events. The awards were named for longtime local theatre producer Henry Lowenstein. Nominations are determined by assigned Henry Award judges attending shows submitted for consideration during the season.

### **The Colorado Theatre Guild values and cultivates:**

**Inclusiveness**—where the full range of theatres, artists, and patrons have a place at the table;

**Diversity**—where everyone belongs in the Colorado theatre community;

**Community**—where the bond between patrons, producers, and artists is interdependent, generative, and supportive;

**Collaboration**—where a vibrant community is maintained through continual partnership, interaction, flow of ideas and resources, and works together;

**Celebration**—where the achievements, contributions, and friendships of members of the community are highlighted and appreciated;

**Excellence**—where quality theatre is aspired to, empowered and recognized;

**Artistry**—where unique expression, imagination and ability are supported and promoted;

**Progressiveness**—where an eye is kept on the future of live theatre;

**Professionalism**—where we operate as an organization with integrity and accountability.

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## 17th Annual Henry Award Nominations

### Outstanding Play

“The Children,” Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado  
“The Royale,” Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado  
“The Book of Will,” Colorado Shakespeare Festival  
“Hotter Than Egypt,” DCPA Theatre Company  
“Much Ado About Nothing,” DCPA Theatre Company

### Outstanding Musical

“Disney’s Beauty and the Beast,” Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities  
“Into the Woods,” Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities  
“The Color Purple,” DCPA Theatre Company  
“Footloose,” Give 5 Productions and Parker Arts  
“Jersey Boys,” Rocky Mountain Repertory Theatre  
“Jersey Boys,” Theatre Aspen

### Director of a Play

Chris Coleman, “Hotter Than Egypt,” DCPA Theatre Company  
Chris Coleman, “Much Ado About Nothing,” DCPA Theatre Company  
Jada Suzanne Dixon, “The Royale,” Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado  
Tara Falk, “A Moon for the Misbegotten,” Cherry Creek Theatre  
Lisa Portes, “Quixote Nuevo,” DCPA Theatre Company

### Director of a Musical

Dee Covington, “Raised on Ronstadt,” Local Theater Company  
Jeff Duke, “Jersey Boys,” Rocky Mountain Repertory Theatre  
Hunter Foster, “Jersey Boys,” Theatre Aspen  
Kenny Moten, “Disney’s Beauty and the Beast,” Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities  
Kelly Van Oosbree, “Footloose,” Give 5 Productions and Parker Arts  
Robert Wells, “I Love You, You’re Perfect, Now Change,” Town Hall Arts Center

## Musical Direction

Eric Alsford, "Jersey Boys," Theatre Aspen

Trent Hines, "Into the Woods," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities

Jordan Ortman, "Disney's Beauty and the Beast," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities

Michael Querio, "Jersey Boys," Rocky Mountain Repertory Theatre

Jesse Sanchez, "Quixote Nuevo," DCPA Theatre Company

## Lead Actor in a Play

### Tier 1

Lavour Addison, "Ken Ludwig's Sherwood: The Adventures of Robin Hood," Creede Repertory Theatre

Logan Ernsttal, "The Book of Will," Colorado Shakespeare Festival

Geoffrey Kent, "Much Ado About Nothing," DCPA Theatre Company

Erik Sandvold, "Franklinland," Curious Theatre Company

Herbert Siguenza, "Quixote Nuevo," DCPA Theatre Company

### Tier 2

Lavour Addison, "The Royale," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado

Sam Gregory, "The Children," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado

Chris Kendall, "A Moon for the Misbegotten," Cherry Creek Theatre

Bob Moore, "You Can't Take It With You," Thunder River Theatre Company

Sean Verdu, "Hand to God," Springs Ensemble Theatre

## Lead Actress in a Play

### Tier 1

Emily Bosco, "Native Gardens," Creede Repertory Theatre

Dana Green, "Much Ado About Nothing," DCPA Theatre Company

Narea Kang, "The Chinese Lady," DCPA Theatre Company

Kate MacCluggage, "Hotter Than Egypt," DCPA Theatre Company

Emily Van Fleet, "Ken Ludwig's Sherwood: The Adventures of Robin Hood," Creede Repertory Theatre

## Henry Award Nominations 2023

### Tier 2

Elizabeth Baugh, "Lost in Yonkers," Bas Bleu Theatre  
Martha Harmon Pardee, "The Children," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado  
Emily Paton Davies, "A Moon for the Misbegotten," Cherry Creek Theatre  
Jessica Robblee, "The Belle of Amherst," Clover & Bee Productions  
Gina Walker, "The Children," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado

## Lead Actor in a Musical

### Tier 1

Brian Bohlender, "Hair," Miners Alley Playhouse  
Michael Cárrasco, "Disney's Beauty and the Beast," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities  
Trevor James, "Jersey Boys," Theatre Aspen  
Mitchell Lewis, "Jersey Boys," Rocky Mountain Repertory Theatre  
Elton J. Tanega, "Disney's Newsies," Town Hall Arts Center

### Tier 2

Miracle Myles, "Footloose," Give 5 Productions and Parker Arts  
Lars Preece, "Carousel," Performance Now Theatre Company  
Jeremy Rill, "The Headliners," Cherry Creek Theatre  
Jeremy Rill, "Footloose," Give 5 Productions and Parker Arts  
Ethan Walker, "Cabaret," OpenStage Theatre & Company

## Lead Actress in a Musical

### Tier 1

Johanna Camille-Zepeda, "In the Heights," Fine Arts Center Theatre Company at Colorado College  
Cassondra James, "Gypsy: A Musical Fable," Theatre Aspen  
Maiesha McQueen, "The Color Purple," DCPA Theatre Company  
Emily Van Fleet, "Always...Patsy Cline," Creede Repertory Theatre  
Caitlin Wise, "Always...Patsy Cline," Creede Repertory Theatre

## Henry Award Nominations 2023

### Tier 2

GerRee Hinshaw, "Raised on Ronstadt," Local Theater Company

Carolyn Lohr, "Carousel," Performance Now Theatre Company

Emily Macomber, "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change," Ovation West Performing Arts

Katie Reid, "Footloose," Give 5 Productions and Parker Arts

Leiney Rigg, "Little Women - The Broadway Musical," Performance Now Theatre Company

## Supporting Actor in a Play

### Tier 1

Raúl Cardona, "Quixote Nuevo," DCPA Theatre Company

Sammy Gleason, "It's A Wonderful Life - A Live Radio Play," Fine Arts Center Theatre Company at Colorado College

Michael Lee, "It's A Wonderful Life - A Live Radio Play," Fine Arts Center Theatre Company at Colorado College

Wasim No'Mani, "Hotter Than Egypt," DCPA Theatre Company

Matt Zambrano, "Ken Ludwig's Sherwood: The Adventures of Robin Hood," Creede Repertory Theatre

### Tier 2

Cris Davenport, "The Royale," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado

Cameron Davis, "The Royale," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado

John Hauser, "Proof," Thunder River Theatre Company

Cajardo Lindsey, "A Moon for the Misbegotten," Cherry Creek Theatre

Augie Truhn, "The Royale," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado

## Supporting Actress in a Play

### Tier 1

Maggie Bofill, "Laughs in Spanish," DCPA Theatre Company

Anne Faith Butler, "Ken Ludwig's Sherwood: The Adventures of Robin Hood," Creede Repertory Theatre

Anastasia Davidson, "The Book of Will," Colorado Shakespeare Festival  
eden, "Toni Stone," Aurora Fox Arts Center

Krystal Ortiz, "Quixote Nuevo," DCPA Theatre Company

Alexis B. Santiago, "Quixote Nuevo," DCPA Theatre Company

Caitlin Wise, "Ken Ludwig's Sherwood: The Adventures of Robin Hood," Creede Repertory Theatre

### Tier 2

Nina Gabianelli, "You Can't Take It With You," Thunder River Theatre Company

Missy Moore, "Hurricane Diane," Thunder River Theatre Company

Desireé Myers, "The Revolutionists," Springs Ensemble Theatre

Sydney Parks Smith, "The Revolutionists," OpenStage Theatre & Company

Sarah Sheppard Shaver, "The Revolutionists," Springs Ensemble Theatre

Alicia "Lisa" Young, "The Royale," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado

## Supporting Actor in a Musical

### Tier 1

Colin Alexander, "Disney's Beauty and the Beast," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities

Cordell Cole, "Into the Woods," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities

Robert "Spence" Gabriel, "In the Heights," Fine Arts Center Theatre Company at Colorado College

Kevin Hack, "Disney's Beauty and the Beast," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities

Barret Harper, "Disney's Beauty and the Beast," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities

## Henry Award Nominations 2023

### Tier 2

Zayaz Da Camara, "Small Ball," The Catamounts  
Bill Diggle, "Carousel," Performance Now Theatre Company  
Jordan Leigh, "Small Ball," The Catamounts  
Jeffrey Parker, "Peter and the Starcatcher," Cherry Creek Theatre  
Carter Edward Smith, "Footloose," Give 5 Productions and Parker Arts

## Supporting Actress in a Musical

### Tier 1

Rae Leigh Case, "The Spongebob Musical," BDT Stage  
Shea Gomez, "Gypsy A Musical Fable," Theatre Aspen  
Adriane Leigh Robinson, "Damn Yankees," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities  
Megan Van De Hey, "Disney's Beauty and the Beast," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities  
Taylor J. Washington, "The Color Purple," DCPA Theatre Company

### Tier 2

Jennifer Burnett, "Carousel," Performance Now Theatre Company  
Suzanna Champion, "Footloose," Give 5 Productions and Parker Arts  
Amy Condon, "The Addams Family," Sasquatch Productions  
Jennifer Grahmquist, "Carousel," Performance Now Theatre Company  
Danielle Hermon, "Sound of Music," Sasquatch Productions

## Ensemble

"The Children," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado  
"The Royale," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado  
"Ken Ludwig's Sherwood: The Adventures of Robin Hood," Creede Repertory Theatre  
"Steel Magnolias," Creede Repertory Theatre  
"It's A Wonderful Life - A Live Radio Play," Fine Arts Center Theatre Company at  
Colorado College  
"Much Ado About Nothing," DCPA Theatre Company



## Choreography

Marissa Herrera, "Quixote Nuevo," DCPA Theatre Company

Jessica Hindsley, "Disney's Beauty and the Beast," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities

Nick Jones, "Much Ado About Nothing," DCPA Theatre Company

Christopher Page-Sanders, "Sophisticated Ladies," Vintage Theatre

Teonna Wesley, "Ken Ludwig's Sherwood: The Adventures of Robin Hood," Creede Repertory Theatre

## New Play or Musical

"Acts of Faith," Aurora Fox Arts Center

"The Headliners," Cherry Creek Theatre

"Hotter Than Egypt," DCPA Theatre Company

"Laughs In Spanish," DCPA Theatre Company

"Raised on Ronstadt," Local Theater Company

## Costume Design

### Tier 1

Meghan Anderson Doyle, "The Book of Will," Colorado Shakespeare Festival

Kevin Copenhaver, "Much Ado About Nothing," DCPA Theatre Company

Clare Henkel, "Into the Woods," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities

Helen Q. Huang, "Quixote Nuevo," DCPA Theatre Company

Sarah Stark, "Disney's Beauty and the Beast," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities

### Tier 2

Caitlyn Clark, "Carousel," Performance Now Theatre Company

Steffani Day, "You Can't Take It With You," Thunder River Theatre Company

Nicole Harrison, "Footloose," Give 5 Productions and Parker Arts

Linda Morken, "The Headliners," Cherry Creek Theatre

Sarah Zinn, "The Royale," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado

## Lighting Design

### Tier 1

Robert J. Aguilar, "Hotter Than Egypt," DCPA Theatre Company

Isabella Byrd, "The 39 Steps," DCPA Theatre Company

Jon Dunkele, "Disney's Beauty and the Beast," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities

Pablo Santiago, "Quixote Nuevo," DCPA Theatre Company

Paul Whitaker, "Much Ado About Nothing," DCPA Theatre Company

### Tier 2

Jess Buttery, "Dance Nation," square product theatre

Emily A. Maddox, "The Royale," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado

Emily A. Maddox, "A Moon for the Misbegotten," Cherry Creek Theatre

Neil Truglio, "A Great Wilderness," Benchmark Theatre

Colin Young, "The Children," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado

## Scenic Design

### Tier 1

Efren Degadillo, Jr., "Quixote Nuevo," DCPA Theatre Company

Lex Liang, "The 39 Steps," DCPA Theatre Company

Brian Mallgrave, "Disney's Beauty and the Beast," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities

Brian Mallgrave, "Into the Woods," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities

Lisa M. Orzolek, "Hotter Than Egypt," DCPA Theatre Company

Klara Zieglerova, "Much Ado About Nothing," DCPA Theatre Company

### Tier 2

Tina Anderson, "Eden Prairie, 1971," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado

James Brookman, "Clue: On Stage," OpenStage Theatre and Company

Brian Mallgrave, "Footloose," Give 5 Productions and Parker Arts

Ron Mueller, "The Children," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado

Colin Tugwell, "You Can't Take It With You," Thunder River Theatre Company

## Sound Design

### Tier 1

Jason Ducat, "The Book of Will," Colorado Shakespeare Festival  
Brian Freeland, "Franklinland," Curious Theatre Company  
Lindsay Jones, "The 39 Steps," DCPA Theatre Company  
David R. Molina, "Hotter Than Egypt," DCPA Theatre Company  
David R. Molina, "Quixote Nuevo," DCPA Theatre Company  
Max Silverman, "Disney's Beauty and the Beast," Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities

### Tier 2

Andrew Metzroth, "Eden Prairie, 1971," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado  
Missy Moore and Dani Taylor-Moxon, "You Can't Take It With You," Thunder River Theatre Company  
Max Silverman, "A Moon for the Misbegotten," Cherry Creek Theatre  
Cece Smith, "The Royale," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado  
CeCe Smith, "The Children," Butterfly Effect Theatre of Colorado  
Bailey Trierweiler, "Dance Nation," square product theatre

## Youth Performer

Jackson Baldwin, "A Fairy Tale Christmas Carol," Steel City Theatre Company  
Sadie Crain, "Sound of Music," Sasquatch Productions  
Jacob L. Johnson, "A Christmas Story," Breckenridge Backstage Theatre  
Hayden McDonald, "Lost in Yonkers," Bas Bleu Theater Company  
Nolan McDowell, "The Addams Family," Sasquatch Productions