



**MTA 2022
AWARDS**

SECONDARY FESTIVAL

BEST PRODUCTION

Oak Grove High School – *The Old Man and the Old Moon*

RUNNER-UP BEST PRODUCTION

Northwest Rankin High School – *Icarus*

2nd RUNNER-UP BEST PRODUCTION

Oxford High School – *Strangers on a Train*

BEST DIRECTOR

Sarah Bartos – St. Martin High School - *Brian the Comet*

BEST ENSEMBLE

Meridian High School – *Decoration Day (The Annihilation of Black Wall Street)*

OVERALL TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE

Oak Grove High School - *The Old Man and the Old Moon*

BEST COSTUME DESIGN

Northwest Rankin High School – *Icarus*

BEST SCENIC DESIGN

Oxford High School – *Strangers on a Train*

BEST ACTRESS

Angelique Herrin (“Jude”) – St. Martin High School - *Brian the Comet*

BEST ACTOR

Alex Yang (“Old Man”) – Oak Grove High School - *The Old Man and the Old Moon*

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS

Sabrina Smith (“Minos”) – Northwest Rankin High School - *Icarus*

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR

Shacobe Rush (“Pastor Whitaker”) – Meridian High School – *Decoration Day*

ALL STAR CAST

- Jackson Prep High School – *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* – Will Dungey (“Musician”)
- Jackson Prep High School – *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* - Josh McDonald (“Man 3”)
- Meridian High School – *Decoration Day (The Annihilation of Black Wall Street)* – Emily Gowdy (“Mary Collins”)
- Meridian High School – *Decoration Day (The Annihilation of Black Wall Street)* – Dick Rowland (“BootBlack”)
- Northwest Rankin High School – *Icarus* – Brenna Burke (“Pasiphae”)
- Northwest Rankin High School – *Icarus* – Will Mask (“Icarus”)
- Oak Grove High School – *The Old Man and the Old Moon* – Nick Singleterry (“Perry”)
- Oak Grove High School – *The Old Man and the Old Moon* – Farrah Wild (“Captain”)
- Oxford High School – *Strangers on a Train* – Miles Carradine (“Charles Bruno”)
- Oxford High School – *Strangers on a Train* – Thomas Dyminski (“Guy Haines”)
- St. Martin High School – *Brian the Comet* – Blake Swain (“Dad”)
- St. Martin High School – *Brian the Comet* – Jonathan Steele (“Brian”)
- St. Patrick High School – *Check Please* – Sofia Carreon (“The Dates”)
- St. Patrick High School – *Check Please* – Thomas Owen (“The Dates”)
- Stone High School – *I and You* – Randy “Matt” Cameron (“Anthony”)

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

- The Nia Award for Raising Awareness of Social Justice – Meridian High School - *Decoration Day*
**"Nia" means "purpose" and is the fifth principle of Kwanzaa: "to make our collective vocation the building and developing of our community, in order to restore our people to their traditional greatness".
- Special Achievement in Choreography – Oxford High School - *Strangers on a Train*
- Special Achievement in Original Musical Composition and Performance – Oak Grove High School - *The Old Man and the Old Moon*
- Special Achievement in Puppetry - Jackson Prep High School - *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*

THEATRE FOR YOUTH FESTIVAL

BEST PRODUCTION

Clinton High School – *Sleeping Beauty*

RUNNER-UP BEST PRODUCTION

Ocean Springs High School - *A Vaudeville Alice in Wonderland*

BEST ACTOR

Jacob Williams - Mad Hatter - *A Vaudeville Alice in Wonderland* - Ocean Springs High School

BEST ACTRESS

Nijah Williams – Griselda - *Sleeping Beauty* - Clinton HS

ALL STAR CAST

- Paige Stephens – *Jungle Book* - Oak Grove High School
- Brooklin Gall – *Jungle Book* - Oak Grove High School
- Brooke Mckissack – *Wild Island Adventure* - Stone High School
- Samuel Somerwell – *A Vaudeville Alice in Wonderland* - Ocean Springs High School
- Malayna Knapp – *A Vaudeville Alice in Wonderland* - Ocean Springs High School
- Jerusha Dasary – *Sleeping Beauty* - Clinton High School
- Mary Parker – *Sleeping Beauty* - Clinton High School
- Shannon Lea – *Monster Camp* - Northwest Rankin High School
- Clay Nelson – *Monster Camp* - Northwest Rankin High School

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

- Best Small Ensemble - *Jungle Book* - Oak Grove High School
- Special Achievement in Mask Design - *Jungle Book* - Oak Grove High School
- Best Onstage Accompanist - Grace Ann Courtney - *Wild Island Adventure* - Stone High School
- Special Achievement in Direction: Devin Carter, *A Vaudeville Alice in Wonderland* - Ocean Springs High School
- Special Achievement in Overall Design Concept and Execution - *A Vaudeville Alice in Wonderland* - Ocean Springs High School
- Excellence in Storytelling - *Sleeping Beauty* - Clinton High School
- Impact Award for Addressing the Significant Topic of Bullying - *Monster Camp* - Northwest Rankin High School

PLAYWRITING FESTIVAL

Youth

1st Place – *January 21, 2071* by Sydney Knotts

2nd Place – *Cursed Party Punch* by Lauren Stamps

3rd place – *Don't None Get Old but the Clothes* by Taylor Lafayette

Adult

1st Place - *Drinks on Me* by Prince Duren

2nd Place – *San Francisco Emperor* by Jordan West

3rd Place – *Voting for Cynics* by Amile Wilson.

ADULT INDIVIDUAL EVENT FESTIVAL

Acting

1st – Keri Horn

2nd – Dena Thornburg

3rd – Katherine Grisham

Musical

1st – Rachel Thaggard

2nd.- Austin McGehee

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THEATRE

Administrator

Brett Byrd, Stone High School

Secondary

Jordan West, Stone High School

Community

David Delk, MS Gulf Coast

Community Official

Elliott Street, Meridian, MS

20 Year Board Member Service

Suzanne Allmon, Oak Grove High School