



2025 Orpheum High School Musical Theatre Award Recipients

The Jalen Award (The Spirit of the HSMTAs) – sponsored by Pickler Wealth Advisors & Beth and David Pickler

Jayden Haynes - White Station High School

Outstanding Small Ensemble - sponsored by Mandy and Chirag Chauhan

The Fates - Evangelical Christian School - *Hadestown: Teen Edition*

Outstanding Large Ensemble – sponsored by Gould's Academy

Evangelical Christian School - *Hadestown: Teen Edition*

Outstanding Chorus – sponsored by Laura and Dr. James Linder

Collierville High School - *Legally Blonde*

Outstanding Student Orchestra – sponsored by Kim and Rick Fogelman

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Outstanding Dance Execution – sponsored by Varsity Spirit

New Albany High School - *Crazy For You*

Outstanding Choreography – sponsored by Daniel Stuart Nelson

St. Benedict at Auburndale - *Godspell*

Outstanding Playbill – sponsored by Gail and Karl Schledwitz

New Albany High School - *Crazy For You*

Outstanding Poster – sponsored by directFX

Houston High School - *Mean Girls High School Version*

Outstanding Front of House – sponsored by Friends of the Orpheum (FOTO)

Corinth High School - *Chicago: Teen Edition*

Outstanding Artistic Element – sponsored by Lisa and Dr. Mike Cockrell - Cockrell Family Medical Center

The Pharisee Monsta - St. Benedict at Auburndale - *Godspell*

Outstanding Hair and Makeup – sponsored by Blo Blow Dry Bar Germantown

Desoto Central High School - *Tarzan*

Outstanding Costumes – sponsored by Kathryn and Jim Gilliland, Jr.

The Academies at Jonesboro High School – *Hadestown: Teen Edition*

Outstanding Lighting – sponsored by Dr. Robin Hobbs and Patrick "Trey" Carter

Evangelical Christian School - *Hadestown: Teen Edition*

Outstanding Sound Design and Execution – sponsored by Scottie Somerville and DJ Thornton of ProductionOne

The Academies at Jonesboro High School – *Hadestown: Teen Edition*

Outstanding Set – sponsored by Veronica and Brett Batterson

Evangelical Christian School - *Hadestown: Teen Edition*

Outstanding Technical Achievement – sponsored by Leslie Coleman

Evangelical Christian School - *Hadestown: Teen Edition*

Outstanding Student Creative Achievement – sponsored by Christina Torres and Alex Barton

Coro Holt - Southaven High School - *The Addams Family*

Outstanding Student Technical Achievement – sponsored by Sherry and Don Williams

Truman Heames - Lakeland Preparatory School - *Disney's Descendants: The Musical*

Outstanding Student Stage Management Achievement – sponsored by Jennifer McGrath

JaLeaha Sage - Cabot High School - *Mary Poppins*

The Bravo Award – sponsored by Amy, Alex, and Jack Knight

Maliah Johnson as Baker - First Assembly Christian School - *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*

Wesley Dickens as Michael Banks - Cabot High School - *Mary Poppins*

Wallis Drake as Young Tarzan - Desoto Central High School - *Tarzan*

Denver Atkinson as Michael Banks - South Gibson County High School - *Mary Poppins*

The Inspiring Teacher Award – sponsored by The Theatre Conservatory at The Memphis Jewish Community Center

Courtney Shepard - Cabot High School

Outstanding Music Direction – sponsored by Memphis Dental Corporation

Patti House and Emily Hale - Evangelical Christian School - *Hadestown: Teen Edition*

Outstanding Featured Dancer – sponsored by Debbie and Homer Branan

Lilian Brock - Bartlett High School - *Curtains*

Outstanding Featured Actor – sponsored by Gaskill Strategies in honor of Sam Gaskill

David Kennard as Lurch - Munford High School - *The Addams Family*

Outstanding Featured Actress sponsored by Robin and Billy Orgel

Harmony McKee as Miss Andrew - South Gibson County High School - *Mary Poppins*

Outstanding Supporting Actor – sponsored by Rachel and Scott Bendure

Kadarius Williams as Hermes- The Academies at Jonesboro High School - *Hadestown: Teen Edition*

Outstanding Supporting Actress – sponsored by Crystal and Martin Hand

Sydney Granger as Apostle- St. Benedict at Auburndale - *Godspell*

Outstanding Lead Actor – sponsored by Lisa and John Bobango

Bradley Bolden as Aldolpho- St. Mary's Episcopal School - *The Drowsy Chaperone*

Outstanding Lead Actress – sponsored by Cheryl and Bill Stegbauer

Alyssa McNinch as Carmen Bernstein- Bartlett High School- *Curtains*

Outstanding Direction by a Teacher – sponsored by Lura Elliott Turner in memory of her favorite music teacher, her mother Helen Elliott

Lynden Jones- Evangelical Christian School- *Hadestown: Teen Edition*

Outstanding Overall Production – sponsored by Rob DelPriore

Evangelical Christian School- *Hadestown: Teen Edition*