



# **Robert Merritt Award Nominations 2022**

# **Outstanding Performance in a Leading Role**

Name	Role	Production	Company
Jacob Sampson	Bottom	A Midsummer Night's Dream	Shakespeare by the Sea
Allister MacDonald	The Hatter	Alice In Pantoland	Neptune Theatre
Mark Delaney	Billy Bishop	Billy Bishop Goes to War	Highland Arts Theatre
Deborah Castrilli	Viola Desmond	Controlled Damage	Neptune Theatre in association with b current Performing Arts
Ann-Marie Kerr	Professor Galbraith	Footnotes: an Evening of 3 Short Plays by Hannah Moscovitch	Matchstick Theatre Company
Breton Lalama	SAM	Fully Committed	Neptune Theatre
Melanie LeBlanc	Lady Macbeth	Macbeth	Two Planks and a Passion Theatre
Hilary Adams	Melita Linton	Schoolhouse	Two Planks and a Passion Theatre
Martha Irving	Kathleen Fournier	The December Man	HomeFirst Theatre
Hugh Thompson	Benoît Fournier	The December Man	HomeFirst Theatre





# **Outstanding Performance in a Supporting Role**

Name	Role	Production	Company
Jade Douris-O'Hara	Helena/Francis Flute/Cobweb	A Midsummer Night's Dream	Shakespeare by the Sea
Sharleen Kalayil	Ruth	Calendar Girls	Neptune Theatre
Jeremiah Sparks	Rev William Pearly Oliver	Controlled Damage	Neptune Theatre, in association with b current Performing Arts
Sarah Richardson	Lucille Renaud	Controlled Damage	Neptune Theatre, in association with b current Performing Arts
Peter Sarty	Romeo	FAT JULIET	Shakespeare by the Sea and Eastern Front Theatre
Nathan Simmons	Tybalt	FAT JULIET	Shakespeare by the Sea and Eastern Front Theatre
Melanie LeBlanc	Milton Coyte	Schoolhouse	Two Planks and a Passion Theatre
Ursula Calder	Effa Baptie	Schoolhouse	Two Planks and a Passion Theatre
Matthew Lumley	Vern Yellowlees	Schoolhouse	Two Planks and a Passion Theatre
Ryan Rogerson	Russel Yellowlees	Schoolhouse	Two Planks and a Passion Theatre





#### **Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble**

Name	Production	Company
Ensemble	Calendar Girls	Neptune Theatre
Ensemble	Controlled Damage	Neptune Theatre
Ensemble	FAT JULIET	Shakespeare by the Sea and Eastern Front Theatre
Ensemble	Hansel und Gretel in: Der Garten Von Edible Horrors: a Terrible Parable	The Villains Theatre and North Barn Theatre Collective
Ensemble	Schoolhouse	Two Planks and a Passion Theatre

# **Outstanding New Nova Scotia Play**

Name	Production	Company
The Company. ASL Translation by Catherine MacKinnon	At This Hour	Zuppa Theatre
Stevey Hunter	FAT JULIET	Shakespeare by the Sea and Eastern Front Theatre
Aaron Collier with Stewart Legere and Francesca Ekwuyasi	Frequencies	Heist
Richie Wilcox	Good Grief	Ship's Company Theatre
Andrea Boyd and Laura Teasdale	Robin Hood: The Great Escape	Festival Antigonish Summer Theatre





# **Outstanding New Nova Scotia Adaptation**

Name	Production	Company
Jeremy Webb	Alice In Pantoland	Neptune Theatre
Wesley J. Colford	As You Like It - A New Musical Adaptation	Highland Arts Theatre
Dan Bray	Hansel und Gretel in: Der Garten Von Edible Horrors: a Terrible Parable	The Villains Theatre and North Barn Theatre Collective
Dan Bray	Observatory Mansions	The Villains Theatre
Andrea Boyd and Laura Teasdale	Robin Hood: The Great Escape	Festival Antigonish Summer Theatre

### **Outstanding Direction**

Name	Production	Company
Ben Stone with Catherine MacKinnon, ASL Coach	At This Hour	Zuppa Theatre
Nigel Shawn Williams	Controlled Damage	Neptune Theatre in association with b current Performing Arts
Kat McCormack	FAT JULIET	Shakespeare by the Sea and
Andrea Boyd	Robin Hood: The Great Escape	Eastern Front Theatre Festival Antigonish Summer Theatre
Mary Vingoe	The December Man	HomeFirst Theatre





# **Outstanding Choreography**

Name	Production	Company
Jade Douris-O'Hara	A Midsummer Night's Dream	Shakespeare by the Sea
Franziska Glen and Lily Falk	A Tale On Two Wheels	Gale Force Theatre
Tracy Fanous	Alice In Pantoland	Neptune Theatre
Lesley MacLean	As You Like It - A New Musical Adaptation	Highland Arts Theatre
Zomi Tombing	FAT JULIET	Shakespeare by the Sea and Eastern Front Theatre

#### **Outstanding Costume Design**

Name	Production	Company
Helena Marriott	Alice In Pantoland	Neptune Theatre
Brandon Kleiman	Controlled Damage	Neptune Theatre, in association with b current Performing Arts
Jennifer Goodman	Macbeth	Two Planks and a Passion Theatre
Elizabeth Perry	Robin Hood: The Great Escape	Festival Antigonish Summer Theatre
Jennifer Goodman	Schoolhouse	Two Planks and a Passion Theatre

#### **Outstanding Musical Direction**

Name	Production	Company
Kurtis McAllister	A Tale On Two Wheels	Gale Force Theatre
Sarah Richardson	Alice In Pantoland	Neptune Theatre
Chuck Homewood	Billy Bishop Goes to War	Highland Arts Theatre
Allen Cole	Macbeth	Two Planks and a Passion Theatre
Lisa St. Clair	The Last Five Years	Neptune Theatre

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# **Outstanding Original Score or Composition**

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Kurtis McAllister	A Tale On Two Wheels	Gale Force Theatre
Jackson Fairfax-Perry	FAT JULIET	Shakespeare by the Sea and Eastern Front Theatre
Aaron Collier	Frequencies	Heist
Ian MacFarlane, Dan Bray, and Rachel Lloyd	Hansel und Gretel in: Der Garten Von Edible Horrors: a Terrible Parable	The Villains Theatre and North Barn Theatre Collective
Allen Cole	Macbeth	Two Planks and a Passion Theatre

### **Outstanding Sound Design**

Name	Production	Company
At This Hour	Brian Riley	Zuppa Theatre
Controlled Damage	Deanna H. Choi	Neptune Theatre in association with b current Performing Arts
FAT JULIET	Jackson Fairfax-Perry	Shakespeare by the Sea and Eastern Front Theatre
Frequencies	Aaron Collier	Heist
Princess' Pride' N' Joy	Aaron Collier	Heist





# **Outstanding Lighting Design**

Name	Production	Company
Kaitlin Hickey	Controlled Damage	Neptune Theatre, in association with b current Performing Arts
Jessica Lewis	FAT JULIET	Shakespeare by the Sea and Eastern Front Theatre
Carmen Lee	Good Grief	Ship's Company Theatre
Vicky Williams	Observatory Mansions	The Villains Theatre
Garrett G. Barker	The Woman In Black	Neptune Theatre

# **Outstanding Projection Design**

Name	Production	Company
Anna Shepard	At This Hour	Zuppa Theatre
Nick Bottomley	Controlled Damage	Neptune Theatre in association with b current Performing Arts
Christian Ludwig Hansen with illustrations by Mollie Cronin	FAT JULIET	Shakespeare by the Sea and Eastern Front Theatre
Aaron Collier with Matthew Downey and MacKenzie Cornfield	Frequencies	Heist
Aaron Collier with Matthew Downey, Deonie Hudson, and Lyndsay Labrecque	Princess' Pride' N' Joy	Heist





### **Outstanding Scenic Design**

Name	Production	Company
John Dinning	Calendar Girls	Neptune Theatre
Brandon Kleiman	Controlled Damage	Neptune Theatre, in association with b current Performing Arts
Ell Zagar	FAT JULIET	Shakespeare by the Sea and Eastern Front Theatre
Wes Babcock	Footnotes: an Evening of 3 Short Plays by Hannah Moscovitch	Matchstick Theatre Company
Jean-Pierre Cloutier	Good Grief	Ship's Company Theatre

#### **Outstanding Independent Production**

Production	Playwright	Company
Footnotes: an Evening of 3 Short Plays by Hannah Moscovitch	Hannah Moscovitch	Matchstick Theatre Company
Frequencies	Aaron Collier with Stewart Legere and Francesca Ekwuyasi	Heist
Hansel und Gretel in: Der Garten Von Edible Horrors: a Terrible Parable	Dan Bray	The Villains Theatre & North Barn Theatre Collective
Little One	Hannah Moscovitch	Highland Arts Theatre
The December Man	Colleen Murphy	HomeFirst Theatre





#### **Outstanding Production**

Production	Playwright	Company
At This Hour	The Company. ASL Translation by Catherine MacKinnon	Zuppa Theatre
Controlled Damage	Andrea Scott	Neptune Theatre in association with b current Performing Arts
FAT JULIET	Stevey Hunter	Shakespeare by the Sea and Eastern Front Theatre
Good Grief	Ritchie Wilcox	Ship's Company Theatre
School House	Leanna Brodie	Two Planks and a Passion Theatre

#### Announced at the Gala:

- Outstanding Technician
- Outstanding Stage Manager
- Theatre Nova Scotia Scholarship
- Neptune RBC Chrysalis Emerging Artist Award
  - Theatre Nova Scotia Legacy Award