



THE
— 2026 —
NSA
— AWARDS —

EVENT INFORMATION PACK
Saturday 3rd October 2026



You're Invited

to join us and celebrate the talent
we have seen this season

at the

Northern Stage Awards

on

Saturday 3rd October 2026

from

6.00pm arrival until late

at

Park Hall Hotel (Lancastrian Suite)

Park Hall Road, Charnock Richard, Chorley, PR7 5LP

Dress Code: Black Tie – No Trainers or Jeans

Photography & Filming Notice

Lights, camera, action!

Please be aware that photos and videos may be captured during the event. **By attending, you consent to appearing in event photography and recordings.** If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with the NSA team directly.





PARK HALL

HOTEL & SPA, A MEMBER OF RADISSON INDIVIDUALS



Park Hall Hotel, Park Hall Road, Charnock Richard, Chorley, PR7 5LP

parkhallhotel.com | 01257 754000 | info@parkhallhotel.co.uk



If you would like to stay at the venue, they have hotel rooms available and the best rate is by booking directly with them online or by contacting 01257 754000.

The venue also has an onsite spa, indoor pool, children's arcade centre and other facilities. Please ask the hotel directly what facilities are included with your room or if you have to book separately as each rate is different.



Please note the venue is cashless.

We are delighted to extend a warm invitation to you, along with your members, cast, crew, and creative teams, to join us in celebrating the dedication, talent, and achievements demonstrated throughout the 2025-2026 Theatrical Season.

This event is an opportunity to recognise the hard work, passion, and creativity that have contributed to making this season a success, and to bring together those who have played a part in these accomplishments.

We are also pleased to share that the shortlist will be published online on your society's dedicated page on **31st July 2026**. On this date, you will be able to view whether your society has been shortlisted for an award. This recognition extends beyond productions alone and also acknowledges the invaluable contributions of your crew and creative team members whose efforts behind the scenes help bring performances to life.

Bookings for the annual celebration event will officially open on **31st July 2026**. To secure your place, please complete the booking form (*one submission per society*) and return it via email to your designated coordinator at your earliest convenience. **Early booking is strongly encouraged**, as places will be allocated on a **first-come, first-served basis**. **If you are not connected with a society, please email northernstageawards@gmail.com and ask for a booking form for an independent booking.**

Please note that bookings will close on **31st August 2026**. Unfortunately, after this deadline has passed, we will be unable to accommodate additional requests or make amendments to bookings. We therefore encourage you to submit your forms promptly to avoid disappointment and ensure your society can be part of this special occasion.



Process with Integrity

We are completely dedicated to transparency with our awards.

Our awards are determined solely by **talent** and **achievement**, with **no hidden politics** or **award-sharing practices involved**. This means that winning an NSA award is a remarkable accomplishment, and even being shortlisted is an incredible achievement in itself.

To ensure fairness, as some of our adjudicators are members of societies. Any affiliations are fully declared, and adjudicators are prevented from accessing files, scores, or data relating to societies they are connected with. This safeguards against conflicts of interest and ensures that every participant has an equal opportunity for recognition.

Our adjudicators assess cast and crew members using a strict and robust evaluation framework, assigning scores based on clearly defined criteria. For Principal Cast members, adjudicators could apply boosters to approximately one-third of performers who excelled in specific areas: **Voice, Ownership of Character, Impact, Characterisation, and Engagement (V.O.I.C.E.)**. Similarly, crew members were assessed against **Creativity, Reliability, Execution, Workmanship, and Safety (C.R.E.W.S.)**. This process resulted in each individual or team receiving a final overall score.

To maintain consistency across the season, scores were then balanced according to adjudicator scoring patterns. As some adjudicators naturally score more generously than others, we compared individual adjudicator averages against overall season averages and adjusted results accordingly. This ensured that every participant had an equal opportunity, regardless of which adjudicator attended their production.

Finally, all data within each category was ranked. The highest-scoring individuals and teams were then reviewed through open discussion involving the full adjudication team.

Following the awards event, we will openly share data relating to all shortlisted nominees as part of our continued commitment to transparency and fairness



Meet the Team

Should you require any assistance during the event, please speak to a member of our team.

Hosts



Event staff can be identified by their NSA lanyards or badges and will be happy to assist you. You may also approach any member of the venue staff for help.

Steve and Jem will be presenting your evening as Hosts to present every award.

Adjudicator Presenting Team



Kimberley, Megan, Katie and James will be presenting all the awards to their winners and escorting them to have their photograph taken.

Event Team



Daniel, Dave, Kelly and Tom will be assisting the event in various areas to ensure the event runs smoothly and everyone has a great time. Daniel and Dave will usually be found in tech at the rear of the function room.

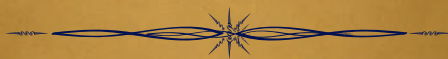
Menus

Adult Menu

Tomato soup with herb croutons

Pan roasted chicken breast served with roasted potatoes,
tarragon carrots, fine beans and red wine jus

Vanilla cheesecake



Vegetarian / Vegan Menu

Tomato soup with herb croutons

Wild mushroom risotto

Vanilla cheesecake



Children's Menu

up to the age of 14

choose from either

A small portion of either adult meal

or

Garlic bread

Cheese and tomato pizza served with chips

Ice cream



£49 Adults

£29 Children
up to the age of 14

Arrival Drink Pre-Orders

Ready for when you arrive, to save queuing at the bar.

Please call the hotel directly to make an order for your table – **01257 754000**
Please book under your name so your order will be placed on the correct table.

Cocktails

served in 2 pint jugs

Strawberry Daiquiri £22

Margarita £22

Cosmo £22

Fruit Punch (Non-alcoholic) £10

Buckets of Beers

Selection of Beers x 10 £45

Mixture of Beers

contains: cereals containing gluten

Corona Zero x 10 £36

contains: sulphur dioxide/sulphites

Sparkling Wines

75cl bottle

Champagne £54

contains: cereals containing gluten, lupin, sulphur dioxide/sulphites

Prosecco £30

contains: cereals containing gluten, lupin, sulphur dioxide/sulphites vegan, vegetarian

Wines

75cl Bottle

House White £23

House Rose £23

House Red £23

Water

1ltr bottle

Sparkling Water £5

Still Water £5



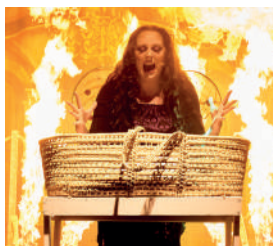
Photographs



Kim – NSA Adjudicator



Tom – NSA Assistant



Jem – NSA Adjudicator



We're delighted to announce that our official photographer for the event will be **Becky** from **Butterfly B Photography**.

Becky specialises in capturing memorable moments and is also available for hire as a **theatrical photographer** for your upcoming productions, performances, and society events.

Throughout the evening, Becky will be photographing guests as they arrive, capturing **entrance photographs** as well as **winner photographs**, ensuring you have lasting memories from the night.

If you would like to purchase photographs at the event, the following exclusive event prices will be available:

- **£8** – Digital image emailed after the event.
- **£10** – 6x8 inch printed photograph with surround **plus** a digital image emailed after the event.

Photographs will also be available to purchase after the event through the Northern Stage Awards website at **www.northernstageawards.co.uk**.

Please note that post-event purchases will not be available at the discounted event prices, and printed orders purchased afterwards will also incur an additional delivery charge.

We encourage everyone to take advantage of the event pricing on the night and capture a special memory from the evening.

Each winner will receive an individual certificate; however, only one trophy will be awarded per winning category. If your society would like to purchase additional trophies after the event please visit **www.northernstageawards.co.uk/trophies**

Event Schedule

6:00pm

Box Office Opens

Make your grand entrance! The lobby chatter is building and the audience are taking their seats. No stage fright here – every star starts in the foyer.



6:30pm

Welcome and Our Season Summary Dinner

Lights up and curtain raised – it's time for our opening act. We'll set the scene with highlights from the season and celebrate the journey so far. Then take your seats for dinner; even the leading cast need an interval feast before the main performance.



9:00pm

The NSA Awards The Star Awards Special Recognition Awards Debut Awards Best Production Awards

And now...the spotlight finds its stars. Tonight's awards ceremony promises drama, excitement and more scene-stealers than opening night on the West End. From breakout performers to award-winning productions, this is where achievements take centre stage and every nominee gets their moment under the lights. Cue the applause and hold for standing ovations.



11:00pm

Late Night Disco

The curtain may have fallen on the awards, but the encore is only beginning. Swap the spotlight for disco lights and dance like nobody's reviewing the performance. Strictly no choreography experience required – enthusiastic jazz hands are strongly encouraged.



1:00am

Carriages Home

And so, we reach the final curtain call. Time for one last bow before the cast heads off into the night. Take your flowers, your memories, and your award-worthy dance moves home safely.



Exit stage left... until next season.



SUPPORT OUR RAFFLE

HELP MAKE THE
NSA AWARDS
Unforgettable

The NSA team will be selling raffle tickets throughout the event, with tickets priced at **£1 per strip** or **20p per individual ticket**. We'll be accepting both **cash** and **card payments**, so there will be plenty of opportunities for attendees to get involved and support the event.

To make the raffle as exciting and successful as possible, we would greatly appreciate support from participating societies. If your society is able to donate a **prize, gift, voucher, or even tickets** to one of your upcoming performances or productions, we would be incredibly grateful for your contribution. **Every donation helps us create a fantastic raffle and adds to the overall experience of the evening.**

If your society is in a position to donate a prize, tickets to an upcoming production or discuss contributing, please let us know by emailing **northernstageawards@gmail.com**. We'd love to hear from you and thank you in advance for your support and generosity.



Completing Your Booking Form

To attend the event, bookings must be made directly through your society. A society representative or official will be responsible for completing and submitting your society's booking, as we can only accept **one booking form per society**.

If you are not affiliated with a society participating in the Northern Stage Awards, or if you would prefer to be seated on one of our **independent tables**, please email **northernstageawards@gmail.com** to request an independent booking form.

NSA Event - Booking Form
Saturday 3rd October 2026 - 6.00pm - Park Hall Hotel, Chorley

Society Name

Contact Name

Contact Number

Booking Notes

Please ensure names are spelled correctly on the booking form

Please make one payment to us to secure your booking at the event.

Name on Account: **NORTHERN STAGE AWARDS LTD**
Sort Code: **62-19-74**
Account Number: **70567962**
Reference: **03OCT and society name**

Optional Attendee Email Address

Please give consent from your attendee and add their email address to the booking form if they would like to receive any event updates.

This will mean we can notify them too directly of any changes or updates. Leave blank if they do not consent.

Balance Due

£0.00

Please enter the age of the attendee if a child at the time of the event. If they are age 16+, please put an 'A' in the box.

Table A						
No.	Guest Full Name	Menu Option	Optional Attendee Email Address	Dietary Requirements/Allergies	Age or A if adult	Price
1						£9.00
2						£9.00
3						£9.00

Please ensure your booking form reflects who will be sitting next to each

When completing the form, you should only enter information into the **light blue boxes**. Please provide as much detail as possible and ensure every applicable section is completed to help us process your booking accurately.

If there is any additional information relevant to your booking that we should be aware of, please include it in the **Booking Notes** section or email your coordinator in advance.

Please ensure your booking form accurately reflects your seating arrangements and who guests would like to sit beside. Changes to seating arrangements will **not be permitted after our booking cut-off date of 31st August 2026**, so please review this carefully before submission.

The booking form will automatically calculate your total cost. Please check that this amount is correct before making payment via **Bank Transfer** to the NSA account. To help our team track payments efficiently, please use the reference format: **03OCT<<SOCIETYNAME>>** when making your transfer. e.g. **03OCTLIVETHEATRE**



If you have any questions or require assistance, please contact your coordinator before submitting your booking form.

Please note that places are allocated on a **first-come, first-served** basis, and tables with **eight guests or fewer may be seated alongside other attendees**.

There is currently no restriction for the number of guests.

To secure your place at the event, full payment must be received **no later than 31st August 2026**.

Shining a Spotlight on Our Rising Stars with the Star Awards



At the **Northern Stage Awards**, we believe every performer plays a part in creating theatrical magic. Sometimes the biggest impact comes from the smallest stars on stage – the performers whose enthusiasm, dedication, and energy help bring productions to life. That's why we're delighted to announce the launch of three brand-new Star Awards this October, created especially to recognise our younger performers in ensemble and smaller roles.

These exciting new awards have been introduced to celebrate talented young people who may not always have the opportunity to be recognised through traditional categories. Whether they're lighting up the stage in the ensemble or making a memorable impact in a smaller role, these performers contribute so much to every production and deserve their chance in the spotlight.

The Star Awards have been designed to give younger performers something extra to aspire to, helping to inspire confidence, encourage ambition, and remind them that every role matters. Recognition at a young age can have a lasting impact, and we hope these awards will help nurture a love of theatre and encourage performers to continue developing their talents.

For many young performers, recognition like this can be the beginning of something special: the moment they start believing in themselves a little more and realise what they are capable of achieving. That is exactly why these awards matter.





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