



Award Categories 2025-2026

The Northern Stage Awards team reserve the right to change, merge or remove categories before the Annual Awards event and are subject to change

No.	Category	Class
101	Best Leading Adult Male Character in a Drama	Drama
102	Best Leading Adult Male Character in a Musical	Musical
103	Best Leading Adult Male Character in a Revue	Revue
104	Best Leading Adult Male Character in a Pantomime	Pantomime
105	Best Leading Adult Male Character in a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
106	Best Leading Adult Male Character in a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
107	Best Leading Youth Male Character in a Drama	Drama
108	Best Leading Youth Male Character in a Musical	Musical
109	Best Leading Youth Male Character in a Revue	Revue
110	Best Leading Youth Male Character in a Pantomime	Pantomime
111	Best Leading Youth Male Character in a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
112	Best Leading Youth Male Character in a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
113	Best Leading Adult Female Character in a Drama	Drama
114	Best Leading Adult Female Character in a Musical	Musical
115	Best Leading Adult Female Character in a Revue	Revue
116	Best Leading Adult Female Character in a Pantomime	Pantomime
117	Best Leading Adult Female Character in a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
118	Best Leading Adult Female Character in a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
119	Best Leading Youth Female Character in a Drama	Drama
120	Best Leading Youth Female Character in a Musical	Musical
121	Best Leading Youth Female Character in a Revue	Revue
122	Best Leading Youth Female Character in a Pantomime	Pantomime
123	Best Leading Youth Female Character in a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
124	Best Leading Youth Female Character in a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
125	Best Supporting Adult Male Character in a Drama	Drama
126	Best Supporting Adult Male Character in a Musical	Musical
127	Best Supporting Adult Male Character in a Revue	Revue
128	Best Supporting Adult Male Character in a Pantomime	Pantomime
129	Best Supporting Adult Male Character in a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
130	Best Supporting Adult Male Character in a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
131	Best Supporting Youth Male Character in a Drama	Drama
132	Best Supporting Youth Male Character in a Musical	Musical
133	Best Supporting Youth Male Character in a Revue	Revue
134	Best Supporting Youth Male Character in a Pantomime	Pantomime
135	Best Supporting Youth Male Character in a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
136	Best Supporting Youth Male Character in a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
137	Best Supporting Adult Female Character in a Drama	Drama
138	Best Supporting Adult Female Character in a Musical	Musical
139	Best Supporting Adult Female Character in a Revue	Revue
140	Best Supporting Adult Female Character in a Pantomime	Pantomime
141	Best Supporting Adult Female Character in a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
142	Best Supporting Adult Female Character in a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
143	Best Supporting Youth Female Character in a Drama	Drama
144	Best Supporting Youth Female Character in a Musical	Musical
145	Best Supporting Youth Female Character in a Revue	Revue
146	Best Supporting Youth Female Character in a Pantomime	Pantomime
147	Best Supporting Youth Female Character in a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
148	Best Supporting Youth Female Character in a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
149	Best Adult Comedy Performance in a Drama	Drama
150	Best Adult Comedy Performance in a Musical	Musical
151	Best Adult Comedy Performance in a Revue	Revue
152	Best Adult Comedy Performance in a Pantomime	Pantomime
153	Best Adult Comedy Performance in a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
154	Best Adult Comedy Performance in a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
155	Best Youth Comedy Performance in a Drama	Drama
156	Best Youth Comedy Performance in a Musical	Musical
157	Best Youth Comedy Performance in a Revue	Revue

158	Best Youth Comedy Performance in a Pantomime	Pantomime
159	Best Youth Comedy Performance in a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
160	Best Youth Comedy Performance in a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
161	Best Ensemble Performance in a Drama	Drama
162	Best Ensemble Performance in a Musical	Musical
163	Best Ensemble Performance in a Revue	Revue
164	Best Ensemble Performance in a Pantomime	Pantomime
165	Best Ensemble Performance in a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
166	Best Ensemble Performance in a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
167	Best Dance Performance in a Drama	Drama
168	Best Dance Performance in a Musical	Musical
169	Best Dance Performance in a Revue	Revue
170	Best Dance Performance in a Pantomime	Pantomime
171	Best Dance Performance in a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
172	Best Dance Performance in a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
173	Best Adult Pantomime Dame	Pantomime
174	Best Youth Pantomime Dame	Pantomime
175	Best Adult Evil Character in a Pantomime	Pantomime
176	Best Youth Evil Character in a Pantomime	Pantomime
177	Best Adult Skin and Puppetry Performance in a Pantomime	Pantomime
178	Best Youth Skin and Puppetry Performance in a Pantomime	Pantomime
179	Best Adult Comedic Team in a Pantomime	Pantomime
180	Best Youth Comedic Team in a Pantomime	Pantomime
181	Best Overall Vocal Performance in a Musical - Male Character	Musical
182	Best Overall Vocal Performance in a Musical - Female Character	Musical
183	Best Overall Vocal Performance in a Musical - Youth Male Character	Musical
184	Best Overall Vocal Performance in a Musical - Youth Female Character	Musical
201	Best Director of a Drama	Drama
202	Best Director of a Musical	Musical
203	Best Director of a Revue	Revue
204	Best Director of a Pantomime	Pantomime
205	Best Director of a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
206	Best Director of a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
207	Best Musical Director of a Musical	Musical
208	Best Musical Director of a Revue	Revue
209	Best Musical Director of a Pantomime	Pantomime
210	Best Musical Director of a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
211	Best Musical Director of a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
212	Best Choreographer of a Musical	Musical
213	Best Choreographer of a Revue	Revue
214	Best Choreographer of a Pantomime	Pantomime
215	Best Choreographer of a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
216	Best Choreographer of a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
217	Best Stage Manager of a Drama	Drama
218	Best Stage Manager of a Musical	Musical
219	Best Stage Manager of a Revue	Revue
220	Best Stage Manager of a Pantomime	Pantomime
221	Best Stage Manager of a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
222	Best Stage Manager of a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
223	Best Stage Crew of a Drama	Drama
224	Best Stage Crew of a Musical	Musical
225	Best Stage Crew of a Revue	Revue
226	Best Stage Crew of a Pantomime	Pantomime
227	Best Stage Crew of a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
228	Best Stage Crew of a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
229	Best Set Design of a Drama	Drama
230	Best Set Design of a Musical	Musical
231	Best Set Design of a Revue	Revue
232	Best Set Design of a Pantomime	Pantomime
233	Best Set Design of a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
234	Best Set Design of a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
235	Best Lighting Design/Operation of a Drama	Drama
236	Best Lighting Design/Operation of a Musical	Musical

237	Best Lighting Design/Operation of a Revue	Revue
238	Best Lighting Design/Operation of a Pantomime	Pantomime
239	Best Lighting Design/Operation of a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
240	Best Lighting Design/Operation of a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
241	Best Sound Design/Operation of a Drama	Drama
242	Best Sound Design/Operation of a Musical	Musical
243	Best Sound Design/Operation of a Revue	Revue
244	Best Sound Design/Operation of a Pantomime	Pantomime
245	Best Sound Design/Operation of a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
246	Best Sound Design/Operation of a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
247	Best Wardrobe in a Drama	Drama
248	Best Wardrobe in a Musical	Musical
249	Best Wardrobe in a Revue	Revue
250	Best Wardrobe in a Pantomime	Pantomime
251	Best Wardrobe in a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
252	Best Wardrobe in a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
253	Best Properties in a Drama	Drama
254	Best Properties in a Musical	Musical
255	Best Properties in a Revue	Revue
256	Best Properties in a Pantomime	Pantomime
257	Best Properties in a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
258	Best Properties in a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
259	Best Marketing and Publicity for a Drama	Drama
260	Best Marketing and Publicity for a Musical	Musical
261	Best Marketing and Publicity for a Revue	Revue
262	Best Marketing and Publicity for a Pantomime	Pantomime
263	Best Marketing and Publicity for a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
264	Best Marketing and Publicity for a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
265	Best Front of House for a Drama	Drama
266	Best Front of House for a Musical	Musical
267	Best Front of House for a Revue	Revue
268	Best Front of House for a Pantomime	Pantomime
269	Best Front of House for a Murder Mystery	Murder Mystery
270	Best Front of House for a Miscellaneous Theatre Production	Misc Theatre
271	Best Drama in the Northern Stage	Drama
272	Best Musical in the Northern Stage	Musical
273	Best Revue in the Northern Stage	Revue
274	Best Pantomime in the Northern Stage	Pantomime
275	Best Murder Mystery in the Northern Stage	Murder Mystery
276	Best Misc Theatre in the Northern Stage	Misc Theatre
277	Best Original Programme Design	Drama
278	Best Licensed Programme Design	Drama
279	Best Essential Information Programme Design	Drama
280	Best Original Programme Design	Musical
281	Best Licensed Programme Design	Musical
282	Best Essential Information Programme Design	Musical
283	Best Original Programme Design	Revue
284	Best Licensed Programme Design	Revue
285	Best Essential Information Programme Design	Revue
286	Best Original Programme Design	Pantomime
287	Best Licensed Programme Design	Pantomime
288	Best Essential Information Programme Design	Pantomime
289	Best Original Programme Design	Murder Mystery
290	Best Licensed Programme Design	Murder Mystery
291	Best Essential Information Programme Design	Murder Mystery
292	Best Original Programme Design	Misc Theatre
293	Best Licensed Programme Design	Misc Theatre
294	Best Essential Information Programme Design	Misc Theatre