

## Festival 2019 – In Festival Awards

### THE ANNE WILSON AWARD

#### Outstanding Performance by an Actress in a Supporting Role

The Gift of Theatre Woodstock

Nominations:

- **Deb Huggins** as Lydia, *Absolutely Fred...*, Cambridge Community Players
- **Valeri Kay** as Mary, *Strangers Among Us*, Theatre Burlington
- **Jessica O'Connor** for varied roles, *Absolutely Fred...*, Cambridge Community Players

**Awarded to Jessica O'Connor for varied roles, *Absolutely Fred...*, Cambridge Community Players**, who brought sweetness and love to the stage.

### THE PLAYERS GUILD AWARD

#### Outstanding Performance by an Actor in a Supporting Role

The Gift of The Players Guild of Hamilton

Nominations:

- **Will Armstring** as Leo, *Strangers Among Us*, Theatre Burlington
- **Stephen Whetstone** as Henry, *Absolutely Fred...*, Cambridge Community Players
- **Jerrold Karch** as Virgil, *Strangers Among Us*, Theatre Burlington

**Awarded to Jerrold Karch as Virgil, *Strangers Among Us*, Theatre Burlington**, for playing a great "flawed man".

### THE GARY CHAPMAN MEMORIAL AWARD

#### Best Co-ordinated Production (selected by Host Group Stage Manager)

The gift of Guelph Little Theatre

**Awarded to *Girls Like That*, Theatre Sarnia**

### THE SPANIK AWARD

#### Best Visual Production

The Gift of John and Michelle Spanik

Nominations :

- *Bare Bear Bones*, Paris Performers' Theatre
- *Strangers Among Us*, Theatre Burlington
- *Girls Like That*, Theatre Sarnia

**Awarded to *Girls Like That*, Theatre Sarnia**, for an inspiring and stimulating production. I was caught up in this powerful story from the outset with the set, lights and pillars of colour.

## THE HAROLD P. SELLERS MEMORIAL AWARD

### Outstanding Technical Achievement

The Gift of Theatre Burlington

Nominations:

- *Strangers Among Us*, Theatre Burlington
- *Bare Bear Bones*, Paris Performers' Theatre
- *Girls Like That*, Theatre Sarnia

Awarded to ***Girls Like That***, Theatre Sarnia

## THE BONANNO AWARD

### Outstanding Performance by an Actress in a Major Role

The Gift of Lawrence and Fay Bonanno

Nominations:

- **Virginia McEwan** as Gabrielle, *Strangers Among Us*, Theatre Burlington
- **Cathy Moore** as Mag, *The Beauty Queen of Leenane*, Guelph Little Theatre
- **Alex Graham** as Ruth, *Bare Bear Bones*, Paris Performers' Theatre

Awarded to **Virginia McEwan as Gabrielle, *Strangers Among Us***, Theatre Burlington for incredibly believable moments of humour and heartbreak.

## THE BEST ACTOR AWARD

### Outstanding Performance by an Actor in a Major Role

The Gift of Lynda and Joe Agocs

Nominations:

- **Vince Carlin** as Michael, *Strangers Among Us*, Theatre Burlington
- **Alex Riker** as Norman, *Bare Bear Bones*, Paris Performers' Theatre
- **Kevin Burnett** as Fred, *Absolutely Fred...*, Cambridge Community Players

Awarded to **Vince Carlin as Michael, *Strangers Among Us***, Theatre Burlington

## THE PAT & VINCENT MATHEWSON MEMORIAL AWARD

### Outstanding Ensemble Work

The Gift of Lyn Mathewson

Nominations:

- **The cast of *Strangers Among Us***, Theatre Burlington
- **The cast of *Bare Bear Bones***, Paris Performers' Theatre
- **The cast of *Girls Like That***, Theatre Sarnia

Awarded to the cast of ***Girls Like That***, Theatre Sarnia

## **SPECIAL ADJUDICATOR AWARDS**

### **Award of Merit #1:**

The Gift of John and Rosemary Tait

**Awarded to Henri Canino, *Girls Like That*, Theatre Sarnia** for choosing creative music that totally represented the excitement, and sensuality, of what it is to be a young girl today.

### **Award of Merit #2:**

The Gift of John and Rosemary Tait

**Awarded to Peter Jonasson as Art, *Strangers Among Us*, Theatre Burlington** for being the star of Maja's favourite scene in Festival...sticky notes, guitar and heart.

### **Award of Merit #3:**

The Gift of Rob Coles and Mona Brennan-Coles

**Awarded to Jackie Burns, *Girls Like That*, Theatre Sarnia** for imaginative, complex, and polished choreography.

### **Award of Merit #4:**

The Gift of Rob Coles and Mona Brennan-Coles

**Awarded to Ian Alexander as Guy, *Girls Like That*, Theatre Sarnia** for projection design that is a powerful part of the play--and vividly, creatively realized.

### **Award of Merit #5:**

The Gift of Tim Dawdy

**Awarded to Alex Riker as Norman, *Bare Bear Bones*, Paris Performers' Theatre** for the best hangover acting, so good he shut the birds up.

### **Award of Merit #6:**

The Gift of Tim Dawdy

**Awarded to Maureen Dwyer, *Strangers Among Us*, Theatre Burlington** for giving us a beautifully realized story and introducing us to learning more about this heartbreaking illness.

## THE VISIONARY AWARD

### Outstanding Direction

The Gift of Gina and Andre Paradis

Nominations:

- **Maureen Dwyer**, *Strangers Among Us*, Theatre Burlington
- **Terry Lynn Graham**, *Bare Bear Bones*, Paris Performers' Theatre
- **Henri Canino**, *Girls Like That*, Theatre Sarnia

Awarded to **Henri Canino**, *Girls Like That*, **Theatre Sarnia** for clear vision that brought out the best in her cast.

## THE D. PARK JAMIESON MEMORIAL AWARD

### Best Production in Festival

The Gift of Theatre Sarnia

Awarded to *Girls Like That*, **Theatre Sarnia**.

## W.O.D.L. REGIONAL TROPHY

### Presented by WODL to the Winner of the Best Production

(Presented annually and kept by the winning group for one year)

Awarded to *Girls Like That*, **Theatre Sarnia**