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************ Special Edition ************

Jerry Award nominations are in.

The Jerry Awards program culminates in a show that recognizes and honors excellence in high school musical theater. Hundreds of schools in WI participate. We submitted an application and three evaluators came to three different performances of *Into The Woods*. In the weeks that follow the performances the evaluators submit their nominations, and from that group recipients are selected. Last year we received several nominations and this year is the same. Our nominations or final results do not change the fact that our show was a **huge success** with great performances and beautiful tech and production work! As far as next steps go...

2023 Jerry Award Recipients announced week of May 8.

Individual school award lists will be sent by May 12.

The 2023 Jerry Awards Show will be held on Sunday, June 11, 2023.

Like every award recipient, we will know if we are receiving an award in advance of the final show. There are no "winners" just a recognition of outstanding work in many categories. The show on June 11th is filled with incredible performances including Outstanding Musical award recipients, solos featuring the Outstanding Lead Performers, and group numbers showing off the talent of the Outstanding Supporting Performers, and Outstanding Dance Performers. One category, the Spirit Award, is selected by each school. Last year our Spirit Award winners were Evelyn Anderson and Tanner Choate. This year our limit is one and our recipient is...drum roll please...**Nicky Westerlund!!!!**

The following information may be more relevant after the recipients are announced, but for planning purposes, here's ticket information.

TICKETS FOR PERFORMERS & DIRECTORS:

Complimentary tickets are distributed as follows:

- Each school contact (teacher or director) will receive TWO (2) complimentary tickets
- Schools receiving an Outstanding Ensemble or Outstanding Orchestra Award will receive complimentary tickets for up to 10 members of the orchestra or ensemble
- Each student participating in an Outstanding Musical, Lead Medley, Supporting, Dance Performer,
- Spirit Award or Finale number or the Orchestra performance will receive ONE ticket for themselves

TICKETS FOR NON-PERFORMERS:

Schools and group sales will begin May 12, 2023. Email groups@overture.org to reserve your group tickets. Group orders are seated in the order they are received.

Parents & families can purchase tickets starting May 15, 2023, via the promo code: **2023JERRYS**. In order to ensure all have an opportunity to purchase tickets there is a limit of 4 tickets/purchase.

General public will be able to purchase tickets starting May 26, 2023.

Tickets are available online, by calling 608.258.4141, or in person at the Overture Center Ticket Office (201 State Street).



Each year all theatre participants get the opportunity to honor fellow cast and crew members by voting for stand out thespians in each grade. Please submit the names of people who always bring their best effort and contribute to our theatre community in positive ways.

You get TWO votes for each category (meaning TWO freshmen, TWO sophomores, TWO junior Thespians, TWO senior Thespians). Students that participated in at least one of the season shows in either the cast or crew are eligible. Vote <u>HERE</u> for the Outstanding Thespians of 2023

Please submit your votes by May 8th