NEW MEXICO HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL THEATRE

An awards show once a year. An education program every day.

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OUR PROGRAM

- We adjudicate productions of musicals in high schools across New Mexico as well as individual performances in those musicals and send our evaluations to the teachers for use in their programs.
- We score the performances and productions according to our rubrics based on storytelling abilities, authenticity in performances, and overall creativity. Ours is the only program to evaluate school productions and performances in their own theaters.
- We bring 20 nominees (10 Best Actress and 10 Best Actor) to Albuquerque for a week of rehearsal and coaching, helping them improve their skills and artistry. We prepare each of them to perform solos on stage in Popejoy Hall. They are scored in those performances by judges with New York, national or international credits.
- The best actor and actress as selected by our judges win our top individual awards and earn a trip to New York to participate in the Jimmy Awards where they work with Broadway professionals and perform on a Broadway stage.



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- We have had one student win an award in New York, one become a finalist, and three students win a total of \$9,000 in scholarships. Several have been offered professional opportunities.
- We offer workshops in the state for students and teachers at drama festivals, in individual high schools, and for professional development sessions.
- We select 7 to 9 students to the Enchantment Awards to work with our professional staff as production, stage management, lighting, sound, and costuming interns.
- We work with Popejoy Hall and our own sources to offer workshops for students and teachers taught by professional theatrical artists. These workshops provide a national perspective to students and teachers on the art of performance and what will be expected of them should they enter the business or study drama in college.
- We are a 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation.