NEW MEXICO HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL THEATRE

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

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OUR PROGRAMS

The Enchantment Awards

- We adjudicate productions of musicals in any New Mexico high school that registers with our program. We also adjudicate individual performances in those musicals and send teachers the evaluations 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 in the state to evaluate school productions and performances in their own theaters.
- We bring 20 nominees, 10 for Best Actress and 10 for Best Actor, to Albuquerque for a week of rehearsal and coaching, helping them to improve their skills and their artistry. We prepare each of them to perform solos which they sing live in Popejoy Hall. Two panels of judges select our finalists, and then our winners for Best Actress and Best Actor.



 Those two students each win scholarships and a trip to New York to participate in the Jimmy Awards where they are coached by Broadway professionals and perform on a Broadway stage with more than 90 of their peers from regional awards programs like ours across the country.

• The Jimmy Awards (the National High School Musical Theatre Awards) are produced by the Broadway League, producers of the Tony Awards. Each regional program must be connected to a Broadway League member. Popejoy Hall, the only member in our state, partners with us to make this all possible for New Mexico students.

Watch a video with students from the 2023 Enchantment Awards talking about their experience in our program.

Use the QR code at right or go to <u>youtube.com/@enchantmentawards</u> and watch "2023 Enchantment Awards in Review"



Next Step Workshops

- We have begun to offer professional development sessions for drama teachers across the state. Designed to cover a range of theatrical disciplines, each is designed to help each teacher get to the next step in their development as a drama teacher, no matter where they started.
- We offer workshops for students and teachers at drama fests New Mexico Thespian Festival, George Nason Drama Showcase, and the ENMU High School Drama Festival and in individual high schools.
- Workshops at festivals are offered free of charge. Workshops in schools are offered to the schools at pay-what-you-will prices.
- We work with Popejoy Hall to offer master classes taught by touring artists in their Broadway shows. These master classes augment the training students get in their own classrooms as well as providing 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.



Internships

- We bring students to the Enchantment Awards to work with our professional staff as production, stage management, lighting, costuming, and sound interns.
- Internships are open to any high school student in New Mexico.

Our Programs Are Free for All Students

- We do not charge students to participate in our program.
- We feed all students during rehearsals. We house all students who cannot commute to the rehearsals at our expense.
- All student costs for participation in the Jimmy Awards are covered by the annual registration fee with that organization. We also cover airfare, ground transportation, and meal expenses for our two students while traveling to and from New York.

