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Winners of the 58th annual Outer Critics Circle Awards were announced May 12. The Outer Critics Circle Awards are decided upon by a group of writers "covering New York theatre for out-of town newspapers, national publications and other media beyond Broadway."

Tony Award winner Karen Ziemba and stage and screen star Sandy Duncan announced the Outer Critics Circle nominations April 21. Winners will be celebrated with an awards dinner May 22 at Sardi's Restaurant.

The 2007-2008 Outer Critics Circle Award winners follow (winners names are in bold with an asterisk)

Outstanding New Broadway Play

*August: Osage County

Rock 'n' Roll

The Seafarer

The 39 Steps

Outstanding New Broadway Musical

A Catered Affair

Cry-Baby The Musical

*TIE Xanadu

*Young Frankenstein

Outstanding New Off-Broadway Play

*Dividing the Estate

The Drunken City

From Up Here

The Receptionist

Outstanding New Off-Broadway Musical

*Adding Machine

The Glorious Ones

Make Me a Song?The Music of William Finn

Next to Normal

Outstanding New Score

*TIE Adding Machine

*Next to Normal

Passing Strange

Young Frankenstein

Outstanding Revival of a Play (Broadway or Off-Broadway)

Come Back, Little Sheba

Cyrano de Bergerac

*The Homecoming

Les Liaisons Dangereuses

Outstanding Revival of a Musical (Broadway or Off-Broadway)

Gypsy

*South Pacific

Sunday in the Park with George

Take Me Along

Outstanding Director of a Play

Maria Aitken, The 39 Steps

Rupert Goold, Macbeth

Rufus Norris, Les Liaisons Dangereuses

*Anna D. Shapiro, August: Osage County

Outstanding Director of a Musical

David Cromer, Adding Machine

Arthur Laurents, Gypsy

*Bartlett Sher, South Pacific

Susan Stroman, Young Frankenstein

Outstanding Choreographer

*Rob Ashford, Cry-Baby The Musical

Graciela Daniele, The Glorious Ones

Christopher Gattelli, South Pacific

Susan Stroman, Young Frankenstein

Outstanding Set Design (Play or Musical)

*David Farley, Timothy Bird, Sunday in the Park with George

Scott Pask, Les Liaisons Dangereuses

Robin Wagner, Young Frankenstein

Michael Yeargan, South Pacific

Outstanding Costume Design (Play or Musical)

David Farley, Sunday in the Park with George

*Katrina Lindsay, Les Liaisons Dangereuses

William Ivey Long, Young Frankenstein

Jessica Jahn, Michael Bottari and Ronald Case, Die Mommie Die!

Catherine Zuber, South Pacific

Outstanding Lighting Design (Play or Musical)

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Kevin Adams, The 39 Steps

*Ken Billington, Sunday in the Park with George

Donald Holder, Les Liaisons Dangereuses

Peter Kaczorowski, Young Frankenstein

Outstanding Actor in a Play

Kevin Anderson, Come Back Little Sheba

Ben Daniels, Les Liaisons Dangereuses

*Kevin Kline, Cyrano de Bergerac

Patrick Stewart, Macbeth

Outstanding Actress in a Play

Eve Best, The Homecoming

*Deanna Dunagan, August: Osage County

Laura Linney, Les Liaisons Dangereuses

S. Epatha Merkerson, Come Back, Little Sheba

Outstanding Actor in a Musical

Roger Bart, Young Frankenstein

Daniel Evans, Sunday in the Park with George

Boyd Gaines, Gypsy

*Paulo Szot, South Pacific

Outstanding Actress in a Musical

*Patti LuPone, Gypsy

Kelli O'Hara, South Pacific

Faith Prince, A Catered Affair

Alice Ripley, Next to Normal

Outstanding Featured Actor in a Play

Raul Esparza, The Homecoming

*James Earl Jones, Cat On a Hot Tin Roof

Jim Norton, The Seafarer

David Pittu, Is He Dead?

Outstanding Featured Actress in a Play

Jessica Collins, Les Liaisons Dangereuses

Jayne Houdyshell, The New Century

*Laurie Metcalf, November

Sian Phillips, Les Liaisons Dangereuses

Outstanding Featured Actor in a Musical

*Danny Burstein, South Pacific

Christopher Fitzgerald, Young Frankenstein

Shuler Hensley, Young Frankenstein

Tony Yazbeck, Gypsy

Outstanding Featured Actress in a Musical

*Laura Benanti, Gypsy

Harriet Harris, Cry-Baby The Musical

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Sherie Rene Scott, *The Little Mermaid*
Amy Warren, *Adding Machine*

Outstanding Solo Performance

*Laurence Fishburne, *Thurgood*

Stephen Lang, *Beyond Glory*

Chazz Palminteri, *A Bronx Tale*

April Yvette Thompson, *Liberty City*

John Gassner Award

(Presented for an American play, preferably by a new playwright)

Bob Clyman, *Secret Order*

*Liz Flahive, *From Up Here*

Michael Hollinger, *Opus*

George Packer, *Betrayed*

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