

MVHSTA Special Recognition Award – Student Choreographer

Theatre Directors may nominate a student for Student Choreographer. The MVHSTAs recognize that in addition to traditional dance choreography, students may be nominated for stage combat or any other specialized choreographed movement for a production. The student choreographer must be the primary choreographer for a specific portion of a nominated play or musical. This special recognition award is for superior efforts in choreography by a student.

Please indicate this nomination on the Production Details Form. MVHSTA Adjudicators will be alerted to the student's nomination but will not be scoring this student's work on the production attended. A team of MVHSTA Adjudicators will be looking at the following submitted materials to adjudicate the student director's work.

Students nominated in this category must have significant responsibilities for the play/musical. Merely staging curtain call, or blocking a short scene, does not qualify. Please consult with the MVHSTA Staff if there are questions about this.

Requirements for consideration are:

- Submission of at least 2 pages of initial research for the nominated student choreographer that shows their approach to the play/musical.
- Submission of at least 2 pages from the student choreographer's script/score that plainly shows blocking notes, ideas, and/or any other details for the play/musical.
- The student choreographer's statement about their approach to the play/musical.
- Two (2) letters of recommendation are required. One must come from the Director of the production, plus another letter from a student company member. These letters must speak specifically to the work of the student director and may be 1-2 pages in length.

These requirements must be met within 14 days of the closing of any nominated production. All materials may be electronically delivered in PDF format to MVHSTA@daytonlive.org or physical copies dropped off at Dayton Live, 138 N. Main Street, Dayton, OH 45402.