

Theater talk

2019 Tony Awards Announces Calendar Of Official Tony Events

The American Theatre Wing's Tony Awards have announced the calendar for the 2018-2019 season. The Tony Awards, which honors theatre professionals for distinguished achievement on Broadway, has been broadcast on CBS since 1978. The Tony Awards are presented by The Broadway League and the American Theatre Wing.

Following, please find an outline of 2019 Tony Awards events & dates:

Thursday, April 25th

Official cut-off for 2018-2019 Tony Eligibility

Tuesday, April 30th

The **2019 TONY AWARD NOMINATIONS ANNOUNCEMENT** will take place at The New York Public Library for the Performing Arts at Lincoln Center. For more information on the 2019 Tony Awards Nominees please visit: www.TonyAwards.com. To request media credentials to cover this event: <https://slatepr.wufoo.com/forms/m1v4zk230y92i8x/>.

Wednesday, May 1st

The annual **MEET THE NOMINEES PRESS RECEPTION** will take place at Sofitel New York, the official hotel sponsor and host of the event. Press must apply for credentials to cover this event. To request media credentials to cover this event: <https://slatepr.wufoo.com/forms/m1ucbz2p04eejrb/>.

Tuesday, May 21st

The exclusive **TONY NOMINEES' LUNCHEON** is a chance for the nominees to celebrate each other's achievements and receive their nomination certificates. The luncheon will be held at New York City's iconic landmark, Rainbow Room, the official sponsor of the event.

****This event is closed to the media.**

Monday, June 3rd

THE TONY HONORS RECEPTION will be a presentation of the Tony Honors for Excellence in the Theatre. The evening will also toast the 2019 Creative Arts Nominees and Special Award recipients. The event will take place at Sofitel New York. Press must apply for credentials to cover this event. To request media credentials to cover this event: <https://slatepr.wufoo.com/forms/m8nak3h0v7swjc/>

Sunday, June 9th

THE 73rd ANNUAL TONY AWARDS will take place at Radio City Music Hall. The three-hour ceremony will be broadcast live (ET/PT time delay) on the CBS Television Network from 8:00 – 11:00 PM and will be available to stream live and on-demand across platforms with CBS All Access. To request media credentials to cover the Tony Awards Red Carpet: <https://slatepr.wufoo.com/forms/mntomgf1slrhad/> and Media Room: <https://slatepr.wufoo.com/forms/m15i0gd30b3iy9o/>

The awards will be followed by the invite-only **TONY GALA** at the Plaza.

For more information on the Tony Awards, visit TonyAwards.com and [Facebook.com/TheTonyAwards](https://www.facebook.com/TheTonyAwards) and follow @TheTonyAwards on Instagram, Twitter and Snapchat.

About the Tony Awards

The American Theatre Wing's Tony Awards are presented by The Broadway League and the American Theatre Wing. At The Broadway League, Thomas Schumacher is Chairman and Charlotte St. Martin is President. At the American Theatre Wing, David Henry Hwang is Chair and Heather A. Hitchens is President & CEO. Ricky Kirshner and Glenn Weiss of White Cherry Entertainment are the Executive Producers of the 2019 Tony Awards. Mr. Weiss will also serve as Director of the 2019 Tony Awards.

Sponsors for Tony Awards include: Carnegie Mellon University – the first-ever, exclusive higher education partner; City National – official bank of the Tony Awards and presenting sponsor of the Creative Arts Awards; Nordstrom – official sponsor of the Red Carpet; Sofitel New York – the official hotel of the Tony Awards; Rainbow Room – official partner of the Tony Nominee Luncheon; United Airlines – the official airline of the Tony Awards for the last 18 years and People/Entertainment Weekly – official magazine partners of the Tony Awards.

Save The Date: Shared Interest Celebrates 25

Shared Interest mobilizes the resources for Southern Africa's economically disenfranchised communities to sustain themselves and build equitable nations. Since Shared Interest began in 1994, its loan guarantees and technical support have benefited more than two million Black Southern Africans – the majority of them women. Shared Interest has never lost a cent of its investors' interest or principal. This year, Shared Interest celebrates 25 years of South Africa's democracy and investing in Southern Africa's future at its annual signature gala on Thursday, April 25, 2019 at The Edison Ballroom in Times Square, 240 West 47th Street, New York City followed by a fabulous Freedom After-Party from 9:30pm to 12:30am. The 2019 honorees are **Advocate**

Thuli Madonsela (Leadership for Justice Award); **Dr. John Kani** (Voices of Freedom Award); **South African Airways** (Corporate Leadership Award); and **Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility (ICCR)** (Investing in Transformation Award). **Felicia Mabuza-Suttle** will return as host. Event co-chairs are **Stanley, Marion, Paul, Sara, Edward & Sharon Bergman, Susan and Nicholas Pritzker, and Tim Smith**. Honorary chairs are: **Stanley, Marion, Paul, Sara, Edward & Sharon Bergman, Susan & Nicholas Pritzker, and Tim Smith**. Host committee co-chairs are: **Pamela & Harry Belafonte, Honorable David N. Dinkins, Danny Glover, Consul General Danielle De Bruyn Grady, Ambassador Antonio Gumende, Ambassador Barbara Masekela, Ambassador Jerry Mat-**

jilla, Ambassador Ebrahim Rasool, Elinor & Max Sisulu, and Ambassador Sheila Sisulu. After-Party co-chairs are: **Sandra Appiah, Isaac Babu-Boateng, Hugh Gallagher, Sandra Zikalala, Alan Altschuler, Professor Penelope Andrews, Anne H. Hess & Craig Kaplan, Vincent & Anne Mai, Dr. Stephen Matseoane, Nancy Meyer & Marc Weiss, Trevor S. Norwitz, Yvonne O'Neal, Matthew W. Patsky, Archley Prudent, Andrea W. Rabinowitz, Katie Rabinowitz, Amelie L. Ratliff, and Mary & Jeff Zients**. The 2019 gala sponsors are: Trillium Asset Management, Alden Asset Management, Face 2 Face, PepsiCo, and South African Airways. For more information, visit www.sharedinterest.org or contact **Shukura Shears** at 646-442-0185 or email shukura@sharedinterest.org.



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