

The 2024 MAC Award Nominees

FEMALE VOCALIST

LUCILLE CARR-KAFFASHAN

Three Seasons of Singer/Songwriters: Diamonds and Rust (female singer/songwriters of the '70s); Unwritten (21st century female singer/songwriters); How the Light Gets In (male singer/songwriters)

Don't Tell Mama

GOLDIE DVER

Bridges

Don't Tell Mama

MARNIE KLAR

Marnie Klar Sings Carly Simon

Don't Tell Mama

SUSAN MACK

Yesterdays; The Susan Mack Quintet

Chelsea Table + Stage, Birdland, Jazz on Main (Mount Kisco)

MARDIE MILLIT

Sorry-Grateful: One Sondheim Story in Letters and Song

Laurie Beechman, Don't Tell Mama, Crown and Anchor

AMY BETH WILLIAMS

Amy Beth Williams Sings Leiber and Stoller

Don't Tell Mama

MALE VOCALIST

JOHN BURNS

Sock It To Me!

Don't Tell Mama

JASON HENDERSON

Getting to Noël You

Don't Tell Mama

JUSTIN DYLAN NASTRO

The Magic of Me

Don't Tell Mama

BOB O'HARE

Walk Through the World: The Songs of Leslie Bricusse

Don't Tell Mama

MAJOR ARTIST – FEMALE

MARY FOSTER CONKLIN

These Precious Days

Soapbox Gallery, Mezzrow, North Square

MEG FLATHER

Hold On Tight...A Love Story; Carefully Taught; The Meg and John Reunion Show

Don't Tell Mama, The Tank, Crown and Anchor

ROSEMARY LOAR

Close Enough for Love (Laurie Beechman, Don't Tell Mama); *Everything's Coming Up Rosie* (Theater at East Meadow Library)

MARIEANN MERINGOLO

A Lot of Livin' To Do!; *In the Spirit*
Chelsea Table + Stage

MAJOR ARTIST – MALE

ERIC COMSTOCK

Birdland

KIM DAVID SMITH

Mostly Marlene, Halo-Wien (Halloween concert), *Mostly Marlene & Friends*
Neue Galerie, Club Cumming, Post Office Café and Cabaret (P'town)

NEW YORK DEBUT – FEMALE

EDEN CASTEEL

Kahn Artist: Madeline and Me
Don't Tell Mama

CAMILLE DIAMOND

Over The Moon...on Pluto Transit
Don't Tell Mama

NICOLE SPANO

Family Ties
Don't Tell Mama

ELVIRA TORTORA

The Bookmaker's Daughter
Don't Tell Mama

NEW YORK DEBUT – MALE

RENE PFISTER

What I Learned from All My Ex-Boyfriends...If Anything
Don't Tell Mama

JOHN PHILIP

Oceans of Love and Life
Don't Tell Mama

WOODY REGAN

Those Wonderful Songs
Don't Tell Mama

CELEBRITY ARTIST

ANN HAMPTON CALLAWAY

Ann Hampton Callaway Sings the 70's
54 Below

LIZ CALLAWAY

Screen Gems

54 Below

GABRIELLE STRAVELLI

Birdland

BILLY STRITCH

Birdland

IMPERSONATION/CHARACTERIZATION/DRAG ARTIST

AMANDA RECKONWITH (David Sabella)

Residential Care

Pangea

DAME EDNA'S HONORARY UNDERSTUDY (Scott F. Mason)

The Dame's Sassy Saturdays, One Dame Christmahanukwanzaka

Don't Tell Mama, Pangea

LADY BUNNY

Don't Bring the Kids

Green Room 42

SIMPLY BARBRA (Steven Brinberg)

Yentl, Simply Barbra 40th Anniversary

Chelsea Table + Stage, Eldred Preserve, Crazy Coqs, 54 Below

MUSICAL COMEDY PERFORMER

LENA MOY-BORGEN

A Man's World: Gender Studies...But With Showtunes

Don't Tell Mama

LYNDA RODOLITZ

Lynda Rodolitz Makes Art

Don't Tell Mama

MAJOR DUO/GROUP

ANN HAMPTON CALLAWAY AND LIZ CALLAWAY

Yuletide Revelry

54 Below

JIM CARUSO AND BILLY STRITCH

Bemelmans Bar in the Carlyle Hotel

CLEARLY NOW (Sean Harkness, Lina Koutrakos, Marcus Simeone)

With a Little Help From My Friends

Laurie Beechman, St. George Theatre, Chelsea Table + Stage

ERIC COMSTOCK AND BARBARA FASANO

Birdland

TRACY STARK AND MARCUS SIMEONE
Twilight Canopy: (Some of) The Songs of Jimmy Webb
Urban Stages, St. George Theatre, Don't Tell Mama

REVUE

FORBIDDEN SONDHEIM: MERRILY WE STOLE A SONG
Parody lyrics and direction by Gerard Alessandrini, musical direction by Fred Barton, produced by Playkill 11 Productions, John Freedson, Harriet Yellin, Gerard Alessandrini, Christine Pedi
Don't Tell Mama, Green Room 42

GIT AHT: A LOVING TRIBUTE TO PITTSBURGH
Created and performed by Aaron Lee Battle, Ricky Ritzel, Mary Ellen Ryan; directed by Jim Luzar
Don't Tell Mama

THE SOULFUL SOUNDS OF MOTOWN
Produced by Marcus Simeone, directed by Emilie Surtees, performed by the Stage Revolution Band Players featuring Marcus Simeone and Emilie Surtees
Cafe Wha?, Groove

A SWINGING BIRDLAND CHRISTMAS
Created and performed by Klea Blackhurst, Jim Caruso, and Billy Stritch
Birdland

RECURRING SERIES

JIM CARUSO'S CAST PARTY
Created, produced, and hosted by Jim Caruso
Birdland

THE LINEUP WITH SUSIE MOSHER
Produced by Susie Mosher and Hope Royalte
Birdland

SALON
Founder, Artistic Director, Host: Mark Janas; Executive Producer: Tanya Moberly
Don't Tell Mama

EMCEE

JIM CARUSO
Jim Caruso's Cast Party
Birdland

NATASHA CASTILLO
Spotlight on You Open Mic
53 Above

SUSIE MOSHER
The Lineup
Birdland

SPECIAL PRODUCTION

THE JOE ICONIS CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

Written by Joe Iconis, directed by John Simpkins, produced by Jennifer Ashley Tepper

54 Below

RIAN KEATING: WOMAN SONGS

Don't Tell Mama

MAMA'S NEXT BIG ACT

Produced by Don't Tell Mama and Lennie Watts

Don't Tell Mama

PIPPIN: THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY REUNION

Produced and directed by Walter Willison, musical directed by Michael Lavine

54 Below

DIRECTOR

JEFF HARNAR

Becca Kidwell/*If You Hadn't But You Did* (Don't Tell Mama), John Forster/*Too Clever by 20%* (Don't Tell Mama), Richard Holbrook/*20th Anniversary Show* (54 Below). Judi Mark/*Merely Marvelous—The Songs of Gwen Verdon* (Don't Tell Mama), Rene Pfister/*What I Learned from All My Ex-Boyfriends...If Anything* (Don't Tell Mama)

LINA KOUTRAKOS

Sue Matsuki/*But Beautiful: A Tribute to Julie Wilson* (54 Below), Diane D'Angelo/*Destination Moon* (Laurie Beechman, Green Room 42), Patti Bottino-Bravo/*Act 3* (Laurie Beechman, Urban Stages), Elvira Tortora/*The Bookmaker's Daughter* (Don't Tell Mama), Dorian Woodruff/*The Lyrics of Alan and Marilyn Bergman* (Pangea)

TANYA MOBERLY

Amy Beth Williams/*Amy Beth Williams Sings Leiber and Stoller* (Don't Tell Mama), Woody Regan/*Those Wonderful Songs* (Don't Tell Mama), Margo Brown/*Forever Me With Love* (Don't Tell Mama), Rian Keating/*Woman Songs* (Don't Tell Mama), Scott F. Mason/*One Dame Christmahanukwanzaka—A Holiday Tribute to Dame Edna by Her Honorary Understudy* (Pangea)

MUSICAL DIRECTOR

YASUHIKO (YAZ) FUKUOKA

Todd Murray and Stacy Sullivan/*The Musical Romance of Frank Sinatra and Peggy Lee* (Weill Recital Hall), Lisa Viggiano/*Lisa Viggiano Sings the Jane Olivor Songbook* (Laurie Beechman), Robert Bannon/*Pride Playlist* (54 Below), *Christmas Playlist* (Chelsea Table + Stage), Robbie Rozelle/*Bring Me Giants* (Birdland), Mama's Next Big Act (Don't Tell Mama)

TRACY STARK

Meg Flather/*Carefully Taught* (Don't Tell Mama, Crown & Anchor in P'town, Eldred Preserve in Sullivan County, NY), Brenda Braxton/*Stars Tonight!* (54 Below, Green Room 42), Jeanne MacDonald/*Heart and Soul* (Chelsea Table + Stage), Sean Patrick Murtagh/*Beautiful Girls: A Tribute to Sondheim Divas* (Laurie Beechman, Crown & Anchor). Kim David Smith/*various shows* (Club Cumming, Neue Gallery, Post Office Café and Cabaret in P'town)

BILLY STRITCH

Jim Caruso's Cast Party (Birdland), Linda Eder (54 Below) Ann Hampton Callaway (54 Below), Norm Lewis (92nd Street Y), Max von Essen (Paradise Club at the Times Square Edition Hotel)

GREGORY TOROIAN

Sue Matsuki/*But Beautiful: A Tribute to Julie Wilson* (54 Below), Diane D'Angelo/*Destination Moon* (Laurie Beechman, Green Room 42), Patti Bottino-Bravo/*Act 3* (Laurie Beechman, Urban Stages), Elvira Tortora/*The Bookmaker's Daughter* (Don't Tell Mama), Maria Corsaro/*I Could Get Used to This!* (Chelsea Table + Stage)

TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

ADAM DECARLO

(All at Don't Tell Mama)

Meg Flather/*Carefully Taught*; Justin Dylan Nastro/*The Magic of Me*; Nicole Spano/*Family Ties*; Bob O'Hare/*Walk Through the World*; Jason Henderson/*Getting to Noël You*.

ALISON NUSBAUM

(All at Don't Tell Mama)

Ricky Ritzel, Aaron Lee Battle, Mary Ellen Ryan/*Git Aht: A Loving Tribute to Pittsburgh*; Mardie Millet/*Sorry-Grateful: One Sondheim Story in Letters and Song*; Rian Keating/*Woman Songs*; Woody Regan/*Those Wonderful Songs*; Debra Vogel/*It's a Jungle Out There*

KELLY WOHLFORD

(All at Don't Tell Mama)

Amy Beth Williams/*Amy Beth Williams Sings Leiber and Stoller*; Goldie Dver/*Bridges*; Tanya Moberly/*Moberly at Mama's, New York Songwriters Parts 1 and 2*; Lucille Carr-Kaffashan/*Three Seasons of Singer-Songwriters*; American Popular Song Society Monthly Series

ENSEMBLE INSTRUMENTALIST

STEVE DOYLE, bass

Jim Caruso's Cast Party (Birdland), A Swinging Birdland Christmas (Birdland)

DON KELLY, drums/percussion

Lynda Rodolitz/*Lynda Rodolitz Makes Art* (Don't Tell Mama), Camille Diamond/*Over the Moon,,,on Pluto Transit* (Don't Tell Mama), Ronni Faust/*Ella, Minnie & Me* (Don't Tell Mama), Bruce Clough/*From Out of the Blues* (Don't Tell Mama)

MATT SCHARFGLASS, bass

Tanya Moberly/*I Love NY Songwriters—Parts I and II* (Don't Tell Mama), Camille Diamond/*Over the Moon...on Pluto Transit* (Don't Tell Mama), Farah Alvin/*On Vinyl* (Green Room 42), James Beaman/*Lived Experience* (Triad Theater)

SKIP WARD, bass

Margaret Curry (Laurie Beechman), Sue Matsuki (54 Below), Brenda Braxton (54 Below), Elizabeth Passero (Urban Stages)

PIANO BAR SINGING ENTERTAINER—UPTOWN

ELAINE BRIER

Don't Tell Mama

ANDRE JORDAN

Don't Tell Mama

TARA MARTINEZ

Don't Tell Mama

ALISON NUSBAUM
Brandy's, Don't Tell Mama

JENNIFER PACE
Brandy's

JON SATROM
Don't Tell Mama, Brandy's

PIANO BAR SINGING ENTERTAINER-DOWNTOWN

SUSAN CAMPANERO
Stonewall

MARIA GENTILE
Stonewall, The Duplex, Brandy's

MADDIE McCLOUSKEY
Marie's Crisis

T-REX
Stonewall, The Duplex

MILES WHITTAKER
Stonewall

PIANO BAR INSTRUMENTALIST-UPTOWN

JOHN BRONSTON
Brandy's, Stonewall

NATE BUCCIERI
Don't Tell Mama, Brandy's

JOE REGAN
Don't Tell Mama

STEVEN WENSLAWSKI
Don't Tell Mama, The Townhouse

BILL ZEFFIRO
Le Rivage, Tudor City Steakhouse

PIANO BAR INSTRUMENTALIST-DOWNTOWN

GERRY DIEFFENBACH
The Duplex, Stonewall, Don't Tell Mama

KENNEY GREEN-TILFORD
Marie's Crisis

BRANDON JAMES GWINN
Marie's Crisis, The Duplex, Don't Tell Mama

MARK OLESZKO
Stonewall

DAN PARDO
Stonewall, Marie's Crisis

FRANCA VERCELLONI
Marie's Crisis

SONG

ANNIE
Music by Michelle Brounman, Lyrics by Hillary Rollins

IT'S ONLY A FIRST DATE
Music by Douglas J. Cohen, Lyrics by Douglas J. Cohen and Dan Elish

PASSING THROUGH A DREAM
Music and Lyrics by Steven Wenslawski

RAINING MEMORIES
Music by Kelly Park and Russ Lorenson, Lyrics by Russ Lorenson

YOU BRING OUT THE JAZZ IN ME
Music and Lyrics by Tom Toce

COMEDY/NOVELTY SONG

AT THE SAME TIME
Music by Mary Rodgers, Lyrics by John Forster

FRONT ROW
Music and Lyrics by Billy Recce

I'M READY
Music and Lyrics by Kevin Winebold

THERE'S A SONG IN THAT
Music and Lyrics by Daniel Cainer

WHAT ARE YOU DOING ROSH HASHANAH EVE?
Music by Eden Casteel, Lyrics by Dan Chaika and Eden Casteel

RECORDING (LaMott Friedman Recording Award)

BOB LEVY Featuring DANE VANNATTER
Ever Since We Met: The Dane Vannatter Recordings

RUSS LORENSON
Standard Time: Live in New York

MARGOT SERGENT
Douce France, Sweet France

VARIOUS ARTISTS
Chip Deffaa's The George M. Cohan Revue: The Cast Album

KEVIN WINEBOLD
Return to the Heart

MAJOR RECORDING

FARAH ALVIN

On Vinyl

ANN HAMPTON CALLAWAY

Finding Beauty: Originals Volume 1

MARY FOSTER CONKLIN

These Precious Days

JEFF HARNAR

A Collective Cy: Jeff Harnar Sings Cy Coleman

ALYSHA UMPHRESS

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