# Cheshire Theatre Guild Full-length Play Awards 2019-2020

## The Best Young Actor in a Senior Production

Sam Chadwick as 'Clegg' in Hangmen (Harlequin Theatre) Ailsa Hay as 'Pat' in *Breaking the Code* (Bollington Festival Players) Nia Sconce as 'Tiny Tim' in *A Christmas Carol* (Frodsham Players)

### WINNER: Sam Chadwick as 'Clegg' in Hangmen (Harlequin Theatre)

## The Geoffrey Croxford Cup for Best Supporting Actor

David Bryan as 'Abel Magwitch' in *Great Expectations* (Nantwich Players) Andy Cantillon as 'Howard' in *Moon Over Buffalo* (MADS Theatre) Ed Green as 'Pierrepoint' in *Hangmen* (Harlequin Theatre) Jacob Holland as 'Billy' in *The Devil at Midnight* (Harlequin Theatre) David Varley as 'Marley' in *A Christmas Carol* (Frodsham Players)

### WINNER: Andy Cantillon as 'Howard' in Moon Over Buffalo (MADS)

## The Geoffrey Kellet Cup for Best Supporting Actress

Megan Goode as 'Estella' in Great Expectations (Nantwich Players) Sue Munro as 'Eileen' in The Cripple of Inishmaan (MADS Theatre) Linda Richardson as 'Old Ma Gwynn' & 'Queen Catherine' in Nell Gwynn (MADS Theatre) Carol Fleur Rowley as 'Sophie' in Waiting for Gateau (Davenham Players) Laura Smith as 'Miss Havisham' in Great Expectations (Chester Little Theatre)

#### WINNER:

Linda Richardson as 'Old Ma Gwynn'& 'Queen Catherine' in Nell Gwynn (MADS Theatre)

### The Margaret Thomas Salver for Best Costume

Chester Little Theatre for *Night Watch* Frodsham Players for *A Christmas Carol* Harlequin Youth Theatre for *Girls Like That* Harlequin Theatre for *Hangmen* Nantwich Players for *Great Expectations* 

### **WINNER:** Chester Little Theatre for Night Watch

## The Ron Gleave Shield for Best Lighting and Sound

Chester Little Theatre for *The Ladykillers* Frodsham Players for *A Christmas Carol* Harlequin Theatre for *Girls Like That* MADS Theatre for *Dinner* Nantwich Players for *The Ladykillers* 

#### WINNER: Nantwich Players for The Ladykillers

#### The Bramhall Cup for Best Set Presentation

Chester Little Theatre for *The Ladykillers* Chester Little Theatre for *Night Watch* Harlequin Theatre for *Hangmen* Nantwich Players for *Jeeves and Wooster* 

WINNER: Chester Little Theatre for Night Watch

### The Kay McLaren Tankard for Properties

Chester Little Theatre for *Night Watch* Davenham Players for *Waiting for Gateaux* Frodsham Players for *A Christmas Carol* MADS Theatre for *Dinner* Nantwich Players for *Jeeves and Wooster* 

WINNER: Frodsham Players for A Christmas Carol

### The Vicky Lane Trophy for Dramatic Achievement

Chester Little Theatre for *Night Watch* Harlequin Theatre for *Girls Like That* MADS Theatre for *Nell Gwyn* Nantwich Players for *Honour* 

#### WINNER: Nantwich Players for Honour

## The Jane Keylock Award for Comedy

Harlequin Theatre for Hangmen

MADS Theatre for Moon Over Buffalo

Nantwich Players for Jeeves and Wooster

#### WINNER: MADS Theatre for Moon Over Buffalo

## The Adjudicator's Award

The adjudicator has discretion to make this annual award for any purpose of her or his choice. Most amateur theatres rely on the efforts of a handful of stalwarts. Going round the amateur theatres of Cheshire, I've come to recognise certain names in various functions and I am therefore making this year's award to someone whose name has regularly popped up in programmes. In addition to services to Props, Sound and Wardrobe in her home society, she has also directed three of the plays in this Festival, and but for ill-health, would have been a visiting director for a fourth.

#### The Adjudicator's Award goes to:

Laura Elizabeth for Contributions to Amateur Theatre in Cheshire

## The David Lane Cup for Best Actor

James Goodall as 'Billy' in *The Cripple of Inishmaan* (MADS Theatre) Don Hirst as 'Jeeves'in *Jeeves & Wooster* (Nantwich Players) Michael Kelsall as 'Harry Wade' in *Hangmen* (Harlequin Theatre) Ian Lancaster as 'Scrooge' in *A Christmas Carol* (Frodsham Players) Michael Scott as 'Alan Turing' in *Breaking the Code* (Bollington Festival Players) Alex Wight as 'Farquharson' in *Mindgame* (Chester Little Theatre)

### <u>WINNER</u>: Michael Kelsall as 'Harry Wade' in *Hangmen* (Harlequin Theatre)

## The Allan Warburton Cup for Best Actress

Janan Chopra as 'Honor' in *Honour* (Nantwich Players) Jo Perry as 'Elaine' in *Night Watch* (Chester Little Theatre) Chelsey Sayward as 'Nell Gwynn' in *Nell Gwynn* (MADS Theatre) Katy Walker as 'M'Lynn' in *Steel Magnolias* (Nantwich Players) Lucia Wilde as 'Charlotte' in *Moon Over Buffalo* (MADS Theatre)

### WINNER: Janan Chopra as 'Honor' in Honour (Nantwich Players)

## The Chronicle Cup for Best Director

Laura Elizabeth for *Girls Like That* (Harlequin Theatre) Yvette Owen for *Night Watch* (Chester Little Theatre) Simon Porter for *Jeeves & Wooster* (Nantwich Players) Carole Shinkfield for *A Christmas Carol* (Frodsham Players) Lucy Taylor-Hill for *Moon Over Buffalo* (MADS Theatre)

WINNER: Lucy Taylor-Hill for Moon Over Buffalo (MADS Theatre)

## The Ron Arscott Shield for Runner-up Best Production and The John F Blackburn Award for Best Overall Production

Chester Little Theatre for *Night Watch* Frodsham Players for *A Christmas Carol* Harlequins Theatre for *Girls like That* Harlequins Theatre for *Hangmen* MADS Theatre for *Moon Over Buffalo* Nantwich Players for *Jeeves & Wooster in 'Perfect Nonsense'* 

<u>The Ron Arscott Shield</u> for Runner-up Best Production: Nantwich Players for *Jeeves & Wooster* 

### <u>The John F Blackburn Award</u> for Best Overall Production: Chester Little Theatre for *Night Watch*

Jerry Park Adjudicator 2019-2020 Cheshire Theatre Guild