



2026 BROADWAY EDUCATION ALLIANCE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN INNOVATIVE THEATER ARTS EDUCATION

OVERVIEW

The Broadway Education Alliance is pleased to present **The Broadway Education Alliance Award for Excellence in Innovative Theater Arts Education** sponsored by Theatrical Rights Worldwide and Broadway Inbound.

Theater Arts Educators are visionary individuals with the remarkable ability to identify opportunities, think creatively, and transform ideas into successful programs—they are imaginative, passionate and a driving force behind positive changes within their organization—providing students a stage on which to explore their dreams and a platform for building value within their community. This award seeks to annually recognize one teacher for their ability to build and sustain their in-school and/or after-school theater program and to celebrate their dedication to excellence.

EDUCATOR ELIGIBILITY/APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS

- Nominees must be employed or contracted educators within a school district enrolled for the current season of The Roger Rees Awards.
- Nominations can be submitted by any individual or group. NOTE: if the Nomination Application is compiled by students, a non-student adult, 18 years or older must be the representative to submit the application (ie parent, another teacher, school administrator, etc).

KEY DATES

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| • Monday, January 19 | Open for Applications |
| • Tuesday, March 31 | Deadline for Applications |
| • Late April | Winner Selection/Announcement |
| • Sunday, May 27 | The Roger Rees Awards Showcase 7:00PM |
- Symphony Space – 2537 Broadway at 95th Street

APPLICATION

To nominate an educator for this recognition the following must be completed:

- **Nomination Form** (See questions below)
- **Nominator Statement** – written 350-500 word statement of 'Why you believe this Educator deserves to be recognized'. (Include on the same document as Nomination Form questions).
- **Highlight Video** - Create a 3-5 minute video that describes or demonstrates examples of why this educator deserves to be selected for this award. There are no parameters for the format or context of the video.
 - Please upload video to a sharable folder (ie Google Drive, Vimeo, YouTube etc) and provide the link in the same document as the Nomination Form and Nominator Statement. (Please make sure the share settings are such that Adjudicators can access the video).
- Submit 1 written **letter of recommendation** from a current school administrator (ie Principal, Vice Principal, School Board representative, etc).
- All information and items submitted [HERE: 2026 BEA Educator Award Nomination Form](#)

NOMINATION FORM

NOMINATOR INFORMATION (All REQUIRED) – this section info will be entered into a Google Form using the link above.

(This is the information for the person submitting this application)

First Name:

Last Name:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Relationship to Nominee:

(Please indicate if you are representing a student and/or student group)

NOMINEE INFORMATION (ALL REQUIRED) – this section info will be entered into a Google Form using the link above.

(This is the information for the Educator)

First Name:

Last Name:

Current School / Organization:

Position / Role:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

NOMINEE OVERVIEW – this section info should be compiled in a ONE word or PDF document

(It is advised to answer questions to the best of your knowledge)

- 1. Years of Experience in Theater Education:**
- 2. Brief Description of Nominee's theater program:** *(Including productions and/or theater curriculum)*
- 3. Notable Achievements / Highlights:** *(Could include awards or recognitions, if applicable)*
- 4. How has this Educator impacted students' personal, academic, or artistic growth?**
- 5. How does this Educator inspire or lead creativity, innovation, and artistic excellence?**
- 6. Has this Educator faced and overcome any obstacles within their program? What strategies or solutions were applied?**
- 7. In what ways does this Educator mentor and/or build student leaders?**
- 8. Describe the Nominee's contribution to their school or community through theater.** *(Programs, mentorship, outreach, advocacy, etc).*
- 9. How does the Nominee demonstrate professionalism and collaboration with colleagues, administrators, and/or the broader theater community?**
- 10. NOMINATOR STATEMENT** - written 350-500 word statement of 'Why you believe this Educator deserves to be recognized'.