

# PHILADELPHIA YOUNG PLAYWRIGHTS

Educating students for life

## *2009 Winners of Young Playwrights' Annual Playwriting Festival*

### **1st Place – High School**

Kerri Horvay, *A Requim for the Fallen*

George Washington High School, Teacher: Randee Hurvitz, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Jennifer Hudes, *Glass Keys*

Cheltenham High School, Teacher: Kathleen Bonanno

Benjamin Tindal Jr., *A Harmless Game at Recess*

J.R. Masterman Laboratory and Demonstration School, Teacher: Carolyn Cohen, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

### **2nd Place – High School**

Shawna Alger, *My Angel*

Sts. Neumann-Goretti High School, Teacher: Jim Gildea, Teaching Artist(s): David Raphaely

Cambriae Bates, *Painting on Walls*

Philadelphia High School for Creative and Performing Arts, Teacher: Carol Pellegrino, Teaching Artist(s): Walt Vail

Theo Brown, *The Big City*

Philadelphia High School for Creative and Performing Arts, Teacher: Carol Pellegrino, Teaching Artist(s): Walt Vail

Melissa Carangi, *I Was Made For You*

Sts. Neumann-Goretti High School, Teacher: Jim Gildea, Teaching Artist(s): David Raphaely

Jessica Cook, *A Nursery*

The Baldwin School, Teacher: Beth Crisculo

Kiana Crump, *The Road to Recovery*

Strawberry Mansion High School, Teacher: Donna Bassler-Hart, Teaching Artist(s): Seth Bauer

Farukh Khan and Chieuanh Nguyen, *The Playhouse*

Abraham Lincoln High School, Teacher: Joan Asprakis, Teaching Artist(s): Diane Leslie

Igor Lavrov, *Robert's Good Heart*

George Washington High School, Teacher: Randee Hurvitz, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Alante Lewis, *The Witch of Payne's Basement*

Strawberry Mansion High School, Teacher: Donna Bassler-Hart, Teaching Artist(s): Seth Bauer

Christiny Martin, *Peach (Dear Prudence)*

J.R. Masterman Laboratory and Demonstration School, Teacher: David Meketon, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Erin O'Donnell, *Under the Tracks*

The Baldwin School, Teacher: Beth Crisculo

Shaneice Price, *His Special Project*

Parkway Northwest School for Peace and Social Justice, Teacher: Beverly Trimboli, Teaching Artist(s): Katie Clark-Gray

Joshua Santiago, *Three Bro's*

Edward Bok Technical High School, Teacher: Michael Halko, Teaching Artist(s): Carla Emmanuel

Nicole Soll, *Walking On Stones*

Cheltenham High School, Teacher: Kathleen Bonanno

Alice Thornburgh, *The Love of My Lady*

Germantown Friends School, Teacher: Christopher Singler

Lauren Wesley, *The Emotional Rollercoaster*

Constitution High School, Teacher: Resa McMillan and Kathleen Melville, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

Shakyra Wilson, *Unwanted*

Constitution High School, Teacher: Resa McMillan and Kathleen Melville, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

Kelly Yao, *Okay*

J.R. Masterman Laboratory and Demonstration School, Teacher: Carolyn Cohen, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

### **3rd Place – High School**

- Yazan Busaad and Hamam Elabed, *War in Palestine*  
Abraham Lincoln High School, Teacher: Joan Asprakis, Teaching Artist(s): Diane Leslie
- Max Behar, *Detective Phillip P. Ryan*  
J.R. Masterman Laboratory and Demonstration School, Teacher: Carolyn Cohen, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath
- Susan Casillo, *Lisa's Secret*  
Mast Community Charter School, Principal: Faye Miller-Musika
- Benjamin Cross, *Lying Down*  
Cheltenham High School, Teacher: Kathleen Bonanno
- Alfreda Davis, *Rise and Fall*  
Constitution High School, Teacher: Resa McMillan and Kathleen Mellville, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain
- Marcus Doe, *Who Am I*  
Constitution High School, Teacher: Kathleen Melville, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain
- Khaliah DuPont, *I Wanna Sing*  
Edward Bok Technical High School, Teacher: Michael Halko, Teaching Artist(s): Carla Emmanuel
- Caroline Durlacher, *Knowing*  
The Baldwin School, Teacher: Beth Crisculo
- Leah Freilich, *Three Buses Later*  
J.R. Masterman Laboratory and Demonstration School, Teacher: Carolyn Cohen, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath
- Alicia Goins, *The Cold Shoulder*  
Northeast High School, Teacher: Theresa Bramwell, Teaching Artist(s): David Hoxter
- Juanita Harvey, *All the Peices...*  
Philadelphia High School for Girls, Teacher: Allison Levine
- Spencer Katz, *The Family Tree*  
J.R. Masterman Laboratory and Demonstration School, Teacher: Carolyn Cohen, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath
- Eugena Lee, *Lunatics Are People Who Chase The Moon*  
J.R. Masterman Laboratory and Demonstration School, Teacher: Carolyn Cohen, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath
- Salvatore Martino, *Cape Fear*  
Sts. Neumann-Goretti High School, Teacher: Jim Gildea, Teaching Artist(s): David Raphaely
- Caitlin McLean, *Wonderwall*  
Norristown Area High School, Teacher: Rory Zummo, Teaching Artist(s): Kim Carson
- C.J. O'Brien, *The Flannel*  
Norristown Area High School, Teacher: Rory Zummo, Teaching Artist(s): Kim Carson
- Gincy Thomas, *Champagne Anyone?*  
George Washington High School, Teacher: Randee Hurvitz, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath
- Charlotte Weisberg, *The Polish Artist*  
Lower Merion High School, Teacher: Jeane Mastriano
- Alicia Wexler, *The Apartment*  
Northeast High School, Teacher: Theresa Bramwell, Teaching Artist(s): David Hoxter

### **1st Place – Middle School**

- Jasmin Burton, *Sent to Me Was You*  
Morrison Elementary School, Teacher: Ilene Poses, Teaching Artist(s): Sally Wojick
- Andrea Chang, *And Away He Flew*  
Independence Charter School, Teacher: Julie Lenard, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain
- Dana Duncombe, *The Heart of the Notebook*  
Drexel Hill Middle School, Teacher: Tim Brown, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson
- Unique Jeter and Anthony Rodriguez, *Monster Butterfly*  
Morrison Elementary School, Teacher: Ilene Poses, Teaching Artist(s): Sally Wojick

Kierra Jones-Fogle, *Temple High*

St. Francis de Sales School, Teacher: Cecilia Barr, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson

Jamekea S. Lee, *I Should Have Never Changed!*

General George G. Meade School, Teacher: Lori Odum, Teaching Artist(s): Dwight Wilkins

Lindsay Peichel, *The Huckleberry*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Eleanor Salgado, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Gerret, Walt Vail

Gina Zwicky, *Apollo 64*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Eleanor Salgado, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Gerret, Walt Vail

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Middle School**

Briana Arrington, *That Game Called Love*

Overbrook Educational Center, Teacher: Patricia Foley-Tuzman, Teaching Artist(s): David O'Connor

Group Authored, *The Janitor Did It*

Home Schooled Students, Teaching Artist: Frannie Calter

Jonathan Keneth Eldridge, II, *School Shinanigans; War and Peace*

Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Beth Braverman and Roberta Jacoby, Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard-Davis

Haley Gordon, *Beads*

Cedarbrook Middle School, Teacher: Peggy Cooper, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Sierra Hall, *Caught up*

McCall Elementary School, Teacher: Barbara Marshall

Hannah Herrera, *Limbo*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Eleanor Salgado, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Gerret, Walt Vail

Vance Holloway, *I'm not Scared*

Overbrook Educational Center, Teacher: Patricia Foley-Tuzman, Teaching Artist(s): David O'Connor

Isaiah Brown and Shanice Ingram, *Addiction*

Morrison Elementary School, Teacher: Ilene Poses, Teaching Artist(s): Sally Wojick

Aaron Jacobs, *What Would You Do?*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Eleanor Salgado, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Gerret, Walt Vail

Samantha Jeune, *The Struggle for a Normal Life*

Beverly Hills Middle School, Teacher: Toni Ruddy, Teaching Artist(s): Jan Michener

Sydney Marchiano, *The Wonderful World of Lilly and James*

McCall Elementary School, Teacher: Barbara Marshall

Taylor McCulley, *Next Stop: Heaven*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Eleanor Salgado, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Gerret, Walt Vail

Rudy Miller, *The Chosen One*

The Haverford School, Teacher: Lori Reed

Terry Rossi, *The Hippie, The Wrestler, and the Cereal*

The Haverford School, Teacher: Lori Reed

Farzana Samad, *Truth vs Sterotype*

Beverly Hills Middle School, Teacher: Toni Ruddy, Teaching Artist(s): Jan Michener

Sophie Sepel, *The Stuttering Girl*

Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Roberta Jacoby, Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard-Davis

Sectorial J Speller, *Young Boy*

Independence Charter School, Teacher: Julie Lenard, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

Tiara K Taylor, *The Youth of Black America*

Beverly Hills Middle School, Teacher: Toni Ruddy, Teaching Artist(s): Jan Michener

Kylie Teller, *To Forgive and Forget*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Eleanor Salgado, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Gerret, Walt Vail

Lauryn Thomas, *Queen Bea*

Drexel Hill Middle School, Teacher: Tim Brown, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson

Vidya Venkatesh, *Aunt Annabelle*

Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Eleanor Salgado, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Gerret, Walt Vail

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Middle School**

Jordyn Avery, *Just Friends*  
Stewart Middle School, Teacher: Cheryl. Levine, Teaching Artist(s): Elena Bossler

Brianna Barber, *Music Speaks*  
Beverly Hills Middle School, Teacher: Toni Ruddy, Teaching Artist(s): Jan Michener

Charlotte Cornell, *Fallin' for a Memory*  
Drexel Hill Middle School, Teacher: Tim Brown, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson

Devon Curtis, *Yo Mama*  
St. Francis de Sales School, Teacher: Cecilia Barr, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson

Kyle Davis, *Johnny Gets Busted* (3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Middle School, Continued) Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Beth Braverman and Roberta Jacoby, Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard-Davis

Kevin Dixon, *The Beginning*  
William C. Bryant School, Teacher: Elizabeth Whatley, Teaching Artist(s): Dwight Wilkins

Ayanna Harmon and Sashanna Yates, *The Missing Dog: Chaos*  
Morrison Elementary School, Teacher: Ilene Poses, Teaching Artist(s): Sally Wojick

Ryan Harris, *Sin & Punishment*  
Independence Charter School, Teacher: Julie Lenard, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

Anay Hindupur, *The Red Race*  
Drexel Hill Middle School, Teacher: Tim Brown, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson

Matthew Larson, *The Tale of Lord Dragonator*  
The Haverford School, Teacher: Lori Reed

Jamekea Lee, *Untitled*  
General George G. Meade School, Teacher: Lori Odum, Teaching Artist(s): Dwight Wilkins

Claire Lennon, *Furry Wings*  
J.R. Masterman Laboratory and Demonstration School, Teacher: Karen Celli, Teaching Artist(s): David Raphael

Dan Lordan, *To Serve Him is to Die*  
Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Eleanor Salgado, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Gerret, Walt Vail

Catherine Mendel, *Life In Progress*  
Independence Charter School, Teacher: Julie Lenard, Teaching Artist(s): Justin Jain

Marshea Miller, *The Fashion Dream*  
St. Francis de Sales School, Teacher: Cecilia Barr, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson

Phuong Nguyen, *To Our New Life*  
John B. Stetson Middle School, Teacher: Stephani Halpern, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Samuel Ortiz, *A Prankster's Revenge*  
Drexel Hill Middle School, Teacher: Tim Brown, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson

Katie Packel, *Nutmeg and Happiness*  
Strath Haven Middle School, Teacher: Jessica Radcliffe, Teaching Artist(s): Gerre Gerret, Walt Vail

India Pines, *The Love of my City and Friends*  
St. Francis de Sales School, Teacher: Cecilia Barr, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson

Jhanelle Richards, *Addictive Love*  
Overbrook Educational Center, Teacher: Patricia Foley-Tuzman, Teaching Artist(s): David O'Connor

Celine Ridgway, *Family Differences*  
Drexel Hill Middle School, Teacher: Tim Brown, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson

Damar Rudd, *Cold Case*  
General George G. Meade School, Teacher: Lori Odum, Teaching Artist(s): Dwight Wilkins

Jessica Shapiro, *The Spymaster's Son*  
Cedarbrook Middle School, Teacher: Mrs. Cooper, Teaching Artist(s): Kate McGrath

Salyndrea Wilson, *The Clique*  
East Norriton Middle School, Teacher: Steve DiNenno, Teaching Artist(s): Erin Reilly

Christopher Wong, *An Adventure to the Future-istic Past*  
The Haverford School, Teacher: Lori Reed

### **1<sup>st</sup> Place – Elementary School**

Robert Austin, Hunter Beacham and Jacob Smith, *Bo-Bo the Space Monkey*  
 Myers Elementary School, Teacher: Mimi Rubin, Teaching Artist(s): Jerrell Henderson

Group Authored, *Cheesette's Lesson*  
 Cheltenham Elementary School, Teacher: Marilyn Golden, Teaching Artist(s): Jerrel Henderson

Group Authored, *The King and Queen's Ultimate Omelet Adventure*  
 Glenside Elementary School, Teacher: Angela Melvin-Schell, Teaching Artist(s): Jessica Conda

Group Authored, *The Mysterious Tunnel Through Time*  
 Wyncote Elementary School, Teacher: Maria Sirolli, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson

Henry Centeno, *The Search for a Frown*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

Isiah Taylor, *Catnapped*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

Danielle Yampolsky, *Falling Apart*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Elementary School**

Group Authored, *Now We're Really In This Game*  
 Wyncote Elementary School, Teacher: Maria Sirolli, Teaching Artist(s): Jackie Ruggerio Jacobson

Sarah Barr, *True Friends*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

Group Authored, *A Wish Come True*  
 Myers Elementary School, Teacher: Mimi Rubin, Teaching Artist(s): Jerrell Henderson

Zoe Chambliss, *Forbidden Love*  
 Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Beth Braverman and Roberta Jacoby, Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard-Davis

Group Authored, *The Rat Attack*  
 Myers Elementary School, Teacher: Mimi Rubin, Teaching Artist(s): Jerrell Henderson

Katie DeVries, *One Tooth, Two Teeth*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

Sean Foley, *The Bugs and the Feet*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

Miriam Francisco, *Switching Spots*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

Brendon George, *Bully*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

Kolby Kaller, *A Christmas to Remember*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

Santino Primerano, *The Friend Wantor*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

Sarah Richart, *Why Not?*  
 Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Beth Braverman and Roberta Jacoby, Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard-Davis

Samantha Grace Robertson, *The Last Flight*  
 Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Beth Braverman and Roberta Jacoby, Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard-Davis

Jessica Sheed, *The Brave Knight*  
 Queen Memorial Branch of the Free Library of Philadelphia, Teacher: Elizabeth Corbett

Caroline Uhlmann, *The Magical Book*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Elementary School**

Group Authored, *The Mystery of the Missing Margarine*  
 Myers Elementary School, Teacher: Mimi Rubin, Teaching Artist(s): Jerrell Henderson

Group Authored, *How a Mouse Can Save Your Life*  
 Myers Elementary School, Teacher: Mimi Rubin, Teaching Artist(s): Jerrell Henderson

Isabelle Ashley, *Happy Endings*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

Geoff Beere, *Switching Places*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

Miguersley Despinasse and Brigid Payne, *Trapped Inside the Video*  
 Cheltenham Elementary School, Teacher: Marilyn Golden, Teaching Artist(s): Jerrell Henderson

Alexis Grady, *The Friendship Dare*  
 Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Beth Braverman and Roberta Jacoby, Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard-Davis

Sarah Kim, *Gone*  
 Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Beth Braverman and Roberta Jacoby, Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard-Davis

Mckenna Krall, *Father?*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

Tate Miller, *One Last Hope*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

Abby Salem, *The New School*  
 Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Beth Braverman and Roberta Jacoby, Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard-Davis

Lucy Toledo, *Pinata Peril*  
 Braverman and Roberta Jacoby, (3rd Place - Elementary, Continued) Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Beth  
 Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard-Davis

Shaquana Wells, *The Water Bill*  
 William C. Bryant School, Teacher: Denise Moore, Teaching Artist(s): Dwight Wilkins

Haley Wilken, *Jungle Pollution*  
 Elkins Park Middle School, Teacher: Beth Braverman and Roberta Jacoby, Teaching Artist(s): Sandra Gilliard-Davis

Daniel Woody-Guyton, *The Man Mayor Conference*  
 William C. Bryant School, Teacher: Denise Moore, Teaching Artist(s): Dwight Wilkins

Sam Zipin, *I want to be popular*  
 William Penn Charter School, Teacher: Ruth Aichenbaum, Teaching Artist(s): Gigi Naglak

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