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# PRESS RELEASE

## Act 3 Productions Wins 11 Metropolitan Atlanta Theater Awards

**SANDY SPRINGS, GA** – Act 3 Productions, the professional-level community theater based in Sandy Springs, has won 11 Metropolitan Atlanta Theater (MAT) Awards. The honors were announced at an awards banquet this past weekend and included Best Actress, Best Musical Director, Director's Award and Best Overall Performance of a Musical. This was the first year Act 3 submitted works to be judged, and the organization won the most awards of any other Atlanta theater company in the competition.

"We are thrilled that our work and our actors were recognized by the Atlanta theater community," said Patti Mactas, Act 3 Productions' co-founder and winner of the Director's Award. "Now everyone knows what we've known all along, which is that we are producing the highest-quality dramas and musicals and attracting some of the finest local talent available. Everyone at Act 3, including actors, technical staff, musicians, supporters and our audiences, shares in these awards."

The honorees from Act 3 Productions are:

- Youth Award in a Musical - Roslyn Milne
- Youth Award in a Play - Jo-Jo Stein
- Best Choreography - Johnna Mitchell
- Best Actress in a Minor Supporting Role Play - Johnna Mitchell
- Best Major Supporting Actor in a Musical - Quintez Rashad
- Best Major Supporting Actress in a Musical - Kandice Arrington
- Best Musical Director - Lyn Taylor and Sandy Deebel
- Director's Award for a Musical - Patti Mactas
- Best Leading Actress in a Musical - Maggie Taylor
- Best Ensemble in a Musical - Once on This Island
- Best Overall Performance of a Musical - Once on This Island

### About the MAT Awards

The Metropolitan Atlanta Theater (MAT) Awards originated in October 2004 with the intention of recognizing those hardworking individuals that put their time and effort into community and non-union professional theater. Theaters are invited to submit productions to MAT and judges attend each nominated performance at least once. The winners in 18 categories are announced at an annual awards ceremony. [www.matawards.com](http://www.matawards.com)

### About Act 3 Productions

In 2000, a group of five talented mothers came together as volunteer directors and producers for the first play at their children's middle school. The "drama mamas" found they shared an exciting combination of artistic strengths and professional experiences, along with a love of children and theater. Following that first success, the team produced and directed more than a dozen highly entertaining and sold-out shows in Cobb County for children of all ages. They incorporated as a non-profit, Act 3 Productions, in 2007, and in 2009, the board and volunteers built a theater in its new permanent home – The Act 3 Playhouse in Sandy Springs Plaza.

Act 3 now offers a full repertoire of musicals, drama and original productions starring professional and amateur actors of all ages. Through workshops and performing opportunities, Founders Patti Mactas, Susan Anderson, Johnna Mitchell, Lyn Taylor and Theresa Dean continue to expose young people to drama, dance, music, visual arts, technical production and more both onstage and behind the scenes. Visit [www.act3productions.org](http://www.act3productions.org) for a list of upcoming performances, auditions, workshops and classes. Act 3 Productions is a 501(c)(3) organization supported by corporate, foundation and individual donations.