



To recognize and reward exceptional accomplishments in the production and performance of musical theatre in local high schools

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State Theatre FREDDY© Awards Wins a 2005 EMMY!

The State Theatre Center for the Arts and WFMZ Channel 69 have received a 2005 Mid-Atlantic Emmy Award for the 2004 FREDDY© Awards telecast in the category of Performing Arts Program.

The 3-hour FREDDY© Awards telecast was produced by the State Theatre and WFMZ, and was broadcast live from the Theatre on May 27, 2004. The Mid-Atlantic Emmy Awards were presented at a banquet in Philadelphia on September 17.

“We are delighted and honored that the Freddy program is being recognized as the celebration of the performing arts that it is,” says Shelley Brown, State Theatre Executive Director and Executive Producer of the FREDDY© Awards. “All of us at the State are grateful to our broadcast partner, WFMZ, our sponsors, and volunteers for their devotion to showcasing the hard work and talent of hundreds of area high school students. “

The State Theatre's FREDDY© Awards program is the only one of its kind in the region, possibly even the country, as it takes a Tony-Award style ceremony for local high-school students and broadcasts it live on television. The program recognizes and rewards accomplishments in musical theater in high schools in Lehigh, Northampton and Warren Counties. All schools in these counties are invited to participate in the program, which culminates in a 3-hour live television production, featuring live performances by nominees in several categories and students from the participating schools.

The FREDDY© Awards are currently in their fourth year. The 2006 FREDDY© Awards are scheduled to take place on Thursday, May 25th, 2006.