

## How Can My School Become Involved?

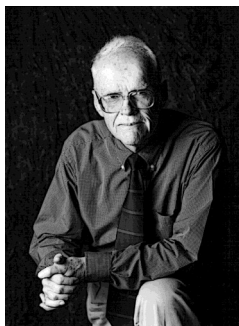
Step 1: Visit [www.ctlshows.com](http://www.ctlshows.com) for complete information.

Step 2: Complete and mail the Entry Form and fees to CTL by October 21, 2011 for fall shows and November 30, 2011 for spring shows. The entry fees are \$50 for plays and \$100 for musicals.

Step 3: Allot the adjudicators a total of 15 seats to your production.

Step 4: Put on your best show and plan to perform a production number from your musical at the awards ceremony.

We'll see you at the Awards!



### Dr. Raymond Phillips

was a colorful and witty English professor for many years at Western Maryland College. He was born and raised in Williamsport, graduated from the Williamsport High School in 1949 and from Dickinson College in 1953. He went on to get his Masters Degree and Doctorate from Columbia University and the University of Pennsylvania, respectively. Dr. Phillips, who was gifted with a dramatic flair, enjoyed acting and performed with several theater groups. He brought those acting instincts to his classroom, often using a pointer as a harpoon in discussions of *Moby Dick*. It was in one of his sojourns onstage at the Arena Theatre that he met his wife of 24 years, Andrée, a founder of The Community Theatre League and current president of the organization.

Dr. Phillips' passion for education, literature, and drama was the catalyst for the Ray of Light Awards and an ongoing way of commemorating his life and loves.

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2012  
Ray of Light  
Awards

Ray of Light Awards  
For Excellence in High School Theatre



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## What are the Ray of Light Awards?

An annual event to acknowledge and promote excellence in high school theatre.

## How Did the Ray of Light Awards Begin?

Dr. Ray Phillips, late husband of CTL's President Andrée Phillips, was a Professor of English and avid supporter of the arts. To honor him, the Community Theatre League started a memorial fund, which is used to acknowledge excellence in the art of theatre. It is CTL's hope that the Ray of Light Awards will foster excitement, camaraderie, and healthy competition among students, thereby improving drama in area high schools.

## Who Can Participate?

Currently, any high school within 40 miles of Williamsport, producing a **straight play or musical** may participate. Each school may submit two full-scale productions for adjudication per year. One-Act, non-published revues, & Junior versions are ineligible.

## Why Should Your School Participate?

The Ray of Light Awards recognizes high school drama programs that produce quality productions and give their students rewarding and life-changing experiences. Winning schools will receive monetary donations paid directly to their drama programs. Winning students will receive honorariums and scholarships. Even more than the tangible rewards, the Ray of Light Awards are an opportunity to celebrate the efforts of high school music and drama programs and recognizing the impact that theatre/music activities have on developing young people.

## Adjudication

Ray of Light Adjudicators will evaluate each production. Lead and supporting characters will be judged in the areas of acting, singing, and dancing ability, sense of character, and presence. Overall productions will be evaluated in the areas of singing & choreography execution (when applicable), acting, production quality, and ensemble strength. Scores will be tabulated and nominees will be announced following the final high school performance.

All awards are performance-driven. Because the adjudicators score the performance elements of the productions, there are no awards for set, costumes, or other elements that may have had adult input or work.

For tabulation forms and scoring information, visit [www.ctlshows.com](http://www.ctlshows.com).

## Student Design Honors

The Student Design Award nominees are submitted by their instructors to honor students who have significantly taken over a specific area of production. These areas may be choreography, set design, light design, program creation, etc. Submissions are assessed by the adjudicators based on difficulty, magnitude, and execution. Up to two awards will be given.

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## Awards Ceremony & Reception May 20, 2012 at the Community Arts Center

The Ray of Light Awards ceremony is styled after the Oscars or Tony Awards. Complete with a "red carpet" and post-show reception, the evening will consist of musical numbers and film clips from the nominated schools, and the awarding of trophies and honorariums. The judges are at liberty to add awards at will, giving special recognition to any aspects of the productions, technical or otherwise, that are deemed outstanding.

Awards include

- Best Actor & Actress in a Play
- Best Actor & Actress in a Musical
- Best Supporting Actor & Actress in a Play
- Best Supporting Actor & Actress in a Musical
- Best Featured Performer in a Play and Musical
- Best Ensemble, Vocal Performance, Choreography
- Honorable Mentions
- Student Design Award(s)
- Best Play\*
- Best Small-Scale Musical\* (<35 performers)
- Best Large-Scale Musical\* (35+ performers)
- Ray Phillips Best Program Award\*

\* Award will be presented to the school theatre program