

## THE 2026 MAC AWARD WINNERS

### FEMALE VOCALIST

ANN KITTREDGE

*Romantic Notions, When in Love, You Sleigh Me*  
Chelsea Table + Stage, Act2PV (Puerta Vallarta)

### MALE VOCALIST

FRANK DAIN

*A Celebration 24 Years in the Making*  
Don't Tell Mama

### MAJOR ARTIST – FEMALE

MARIEANN MERINGOLO

*Shades of Love, You Must Believe In Spring, A Century of Song: Celebrating Alan and Marilyn Bergman, In the Spirit: 2025*  
Chelsea Table + Stage, 54 Below

### MAJOR ARTIST – MALE

SEAN HARKNESS

*Just Me*  
Don't Tell Mama

### NEW YORK DEBUT – FEMALE

JANICE McCUNE

*Let's Start Tomorrow Tonight!*  
Don't Tell Mama

### NEW YORK DEBUT – MALE

ETHAN MATHIAS

*Outside the Lines*  
Don't Tell Mama

### CELEBRITY ARTIST

CHRISTINE EBERSOLE WITH BILLY STRITCH  
54 Below

### DUO/GROUP

CHRISSY AND DAN PARDO

*Dreams Don't Come True in Pennsylvania, Christmastide for Empire State Ride, Wine Hour at the Hotel Edison*  
Chelsea Table + Stage, Stonewall Inn, The Hotel Edison

## **MAJOR DUO/GROUP**

JIM CARUSO, BILLY STRITCH and KLEA BLACKHURST

*A Swinging Birdland Christmas*

Birdland

## **RECURRING SERIES**

THE LINEUP

*Created and hosted by Susie Mosher, produced by Hope Royalty*

The Green Room 42

## **EMCEE**

JIM CARUSO

*Jim Caruso's Cast Party*

Birdland

## **TRIBUTE SHOW**

DAWN DEROW

*Sing Happy: The Wonderful Women of Kander and Ebb*

The Triad, The Post Office Cafe

## **SPECIAL PRODUCTION**

MAMA'S NEXT BIG ACT

*Produced by Don't Tell Mama and Lennie Watts, created by Lennie Watts, musical direction by Yasuhiko Fukuoka*

Don't Tell Mama

## **DIRECTOR**

JEFF HARNAR

Celia Berk/For the Record (54 Below), Christy Trapp/The Tender Trapp (Don't Tell Mama), Renee Katz/Lost in His Arms (54 Below), Judi Mark/Merely Marvelous (The Triad)

## **MUSICAL DIRECTOR**

TRACY STARK

Meg Flather/Walk Home (Don't Tell Mama), Kim David Smith/Comme Un Folle (Post Office Café, Joe's Pub), Justin Dylan Nastro/Live and In Person Whether You Like It or Not (Don't Tell Mama), Ethan Mathias/Outside The Lines (Don't Tell Mama), Linda Mironi/Perfectly Imperfect (Don't Tell Mama)

## **TECHNICAL DIRECTOR**

KELLY WOHLFORD

Frank Dain/A Celebration 24 Years in the Making (Don't Tell Mama), Karen Mason/More SPF! (Don't Tell Mama), American Popular Song Society (Don't Tell Mama), Terri Dannenberg/Everything! (Don't Tell Mama), Billy Brouse/Thinking Out Loud (Don't Tell Mama)

**ENSEMBLE INSTRUMENTALIST**

MATT SCHARFGLASS, BASS

Billie Brouse/Thinking Out Loud (Don't Tell Mama), Lucille Carr-Kaffashan/8 Days a Week (Don't Tell Mama), Scott Coulter & Friends/Silly Love Songs: 50 Years of #1 Hits (54 Below), Can Yasar/Turkish Rhapsody (Don't Tell Mama)

**PIANO BAR SINGING ENTERTAINER–UPTOWN**

TARA MARTINEZ

Don't Tell Mama

**PIANO BAR SINGING ENTERTAINER – DOWNTOWN**

MARIA GENTILE

The Stonewall Inn, The Duplex

**PIANO BAR INSTRUMENTALIST – UPTOWN**

DAN PARDO

The Townhouse, Don't Tell Mama, Brandy's

**PIANO BAR INSTRUMENTALIST – DOWNTOWN**

DAN DALY

Marie's Crisis

**SONG**

MISSING A SCREW

Music and Lyrics by Ava Nicole Frances

**COMEDY/NOVELTY SONG**

TOO MUCH LOVE

Music by Tracy Stark, Lyrics by Mark Dundas Wood

**RECORDING (LaMott Friedman Recording Award)**

FRANK DAIN

I've Had a Love

**MAJOR RECORDING**

ERIC COMSTOCK AND BARBARA FASANO

Painting the Town