



## ***The Young Scottish Musical Theatre Performer of the Year 2020***

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*The Singers Company are proud to announce the 9<sup>th</sup> **Young Scottish Musical Theatre Performer of the Year.***

*The final will be held on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 3.00pm in the SEC, Lomond Suite, Glasgow as part of The Singers Company "Magic of the Musicals" concert.*

*We will hold **two heats**: one based in London and one in Glasgow. Hopefully this will assist the large number of students to participate in a venue closer to their base at that particular time. Both heats will be judged by a panel of industry professionals.*

*The preliminary rounds will be held in :-  
**London - The Delfont Room, Prince of Wales Theatre,  
Coventry Street on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April from 10.30am.***

***Glasgow – Partick Burgh Hall, 9 Burgh Hall Street on  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April from 11am***

*Directions will be sent once your application has been confirmed.*

*To register and receive an acknowledgement contact  
[YSMTPOftheYear@yahoo.com](mailto:YSMTPOftheYear@yahoo.com)*

***Please note that all students must be between the ages of 18 and no older than 21 by the date of the final on May 17<sup>th</sup>, be in a recognised training programme and have been born in Scotland or resident in Scotland for a minimum of 5 years. Proof of details regarding this will be checked on the day and comply with Data Protection Act 2018.***

*For the preliminary performance round, the performer will present two contrasting songs. This will be an opportunity to perform on the concert platform and to be seen by current professionals from differing areas of the industry. The choice of songs must be contrasting both musically and stylistically with at least one of them being written before 1970. The performer will be judged on their vocal skills, their characterisation, their ability to deliver differing styles and their ability to communicate to an audience. A professional accompanist is provided.*

*From the 2 heats, a maximum of four finalists will be chosen and they will perform their two contrasting songs that they performed at the preliminary round. The competition final will take place at 3.00pm on Sunday May 17th in front of a panel of judges from the industry, invited media guests and a public audience of around 600.*

*There will be an opportunity to work with the appropriate music staff prior to the performance. The finalists will also be expected to sing with The Singers Company, in a soloist capacity, in the finale of the concert. Following on from the performance the finalists will have the opportunity to meet with professional panel and industry guests.*

*The winning student will receive a prize of **£600** and the YSMT Performer of the Year trophy. The runner-up will receive a prize of **£150** with the other finalists receiving a cheque of **£50** each. All finalists will also receive a **£50** cheque from The Singers Company. Finalists must be free from 12noon on Sunday 17th May 2020.*

*The finals' judging panel will consist of leading industry professionals.*

*One of the aims of the competition is to promote the young Scottish performer and to give them valuable performing experience in front of a large audience. The Singers Company perform regularly to capacity audiences and are very proud of their standards and success. In their past they have introduced young professional singers from all areas of the industry who have gone on to have exciting careers.*

*Please note that the closing date for entries is March 28th 2020*

*An audition fee of £8, to cover administration costs, must be submitted with application form. (Any cheques should be made payable to The Singers Company) or by Bank Transfer to -: The Singers Company – sort code 80-07-15 - A/C 00833771*

*Please give notification by email that you have registered a bank transfer.*

*We hope that you will take this opportunity to be part of this exciting new musical theatre development and look forward to hearing from you.*

*[YSMTPOftheYear@yahoo.com](mailto:YSMTPOftheYear@yahoo.com)*

*Yours sincerely*

**Graham Dickie**  
*Founder and Artistic Director*

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