

# Stage Raw Announces Dates For 2018 Stage Raw Awards And Nominees' Reception

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The fourth annual Stage Raw Theater Awards - celebrating the best work in L.A.'s intimate theater scene as determined by Stage Raw's jury of critics will take place on Monday night, August 20, 2018 at Los Angeles Theatre Center, 514 S. Spring Street in downtown Los Angeles.

In prior years, shows were eligible for Stage Raw Awards if they opened between January 1 and December 31. This year, that window has expanded. Shows that opened between January 1, 2017 and May 31, 2018 are eligible for the 2018 Stage Raw Awards. Moving forward, that calendar will run from June 1 to May 31.

"We wanted to adapt these awards so that they're more in alignment with the rhythms of the theater season," explains Stage Raw founder Steven Leigh Morris.

"Step into the Center: A Midsummer Night's Party" is this year's theme - a kind of secular, mid-summer mardis gras party which celebrates the evolution of the stage community in Los Angeles. Coeurage Theatre Company is hosting and co-producing the immersive, music-filled spectacle, with Jer Adrienne Lelliott directing.

Nominees will be announced on July 10 at 9am PST on [stageraw.com](http://stageraw.com).

Furthermore, a nominees' reception and fundraiser for Stage Raw has been scheduled for July 24 at the Skylight Theatre in Los Feliz, with a catered reception, entertainment and silent auction. All funds go towards Stage Raw programming.

Tickets for both events are now on sale and can be purchased at [stageraw.com](http://stageraw.com). (There is no charge for nominees to attend the nominees' reception.)

Stage Raw, created in 2014, is a digital journal that reviews and reflects upon the shows and issues pertaining to live theater in Los Angeles.

