



Daniel Dae Kim & Andrea Burns to be Honored at Beacon Awards

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Inside Broadway's Exec. Director Michael Presser has announced that on Monday, June 20 at The JW Marriott Essex House (160 Central Park South), the organization will honor TV & Broadway star Daniel Dae Kim (Hawaii Five-O on CBS, currently starring on Broadway as the King of Siam in *The King & I* thru 6/26) and Broadway actress Andrea Burns (currently appearing in *On Your Feet*) at their annual Beacon Awards, presented to individuals in the theatre & Times Square community who have been advocates for increasing audiences for live theatre and understanding the importance of Arts and Education in the lives of New York City's young people.

The first Broadway Beacon Award was given to Carol Channing in 1995. Hosted by FOX5 reporter Baruch Shemtoy, the Beacon Awards will also feature a performance from the cast of *On Your Feet*.

The evening, which begins at 5:30pm with a cocktail reception, with the awards presentation and special live performances at 7pm, will also honor Richard Fitzgerald, CEO of Sound Associates, Inc. and Scott Nadeau, General Manager of the New York Marriott Marquis. Students from Inside Broadway's school program at IS 278 in Brooklyn will also be performing.

Funding raised from the Beacon Awards benefit directly supports Inside Broadway's theatre education programs to support our mission of bringing the joys and advantages of live theatre to NYC's under-served public school students throughout the five boroughs. Since 1982, Inside Broadway (Founder/Executive Director, Michael Presser) has impacted the lives of nearly one million New York City public school students with its one-of-a-kind theatre arts and education programs that enrich educate and foster new generations of theatergoers.

Michael Presser says that "I am extremely pleased that this year's Beacon Awards will be given to four members of the Broadway community who are supportive of our mission to bring live theater into the lives of New York City public school students. Daniel Dae Kim and Andréa Burns are both important advocates of making theater accessible to younger and diverse audiences. In addition, our two business honorees, Richard Fitzgerald and Scott Nadeau are also prestigious members of the Broadway community who recognize the important role that the arts have in the development of our city's youth. We are thrilled to celebrate all four of these distinguished individuals."

Inside Broadway was established in 1982 by Michael Presser. Today, Inside Broadway reaches over 20,000 New York City students each year and develops and produces touring equity musical productions as well as a wide range of educational programs that allow participants to interact with professionals in the field and experience theatre hands-on in the classroom. For more information on Inside Broadway, please visit www.INSideBroadway.org.