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Tulsa Resident to Receive National Theatre Award

Sally Barnes of Tulsa, Oklahoma is being honored with the **Robert E. Gard Superior Volunteer Award** from the American Association of Community Theatre (AACT). The award will be presented at an awards ceremony during the AACTFest 2017 national festival in Rochester, Minnesota June 26-July 1, 2017.

The AACT Robert E. Gard Superior Volunteer Award is presented to individuals above the age of 65 who have faithfully served community theatre on a non-paid basis for over 25 years. Visit aact.org/awards for information on all AACT National Awards, 2017 AACT Award winners, and previous honorees.

Sally Barnes has for more than 25 years been the most active theatre volunteer in Tulsa, and perhaps the entire state of Oklahoma. She has served as a stage manager or performer in over 60 productions with seven different companies. Sally has not only been a star stage manager and performer for the past three decades, but has remained active in the administrative and board aspects of several companies. She continues to be active as the Treasurer (and previous President) for the Oklahoma Community Theatre Association and has worked on workshops, conferences, and festivals since 2012. Sally was a guest of honor at the state capital when Theatre Tulsa was presented the Oklahoma Arts Council Governor's Arts Award for Community Service. Her commitment and loyalty to Theatre Tulsa remain invaluable.

AACT provides networking, resources, and support for America's theatres. AACT represents the interests of more than 7,000 theatres across the United States and its territories, as well as theatre companies with the U.S. Armed Services overseas.

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