

The LUCIE AWARDS

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THE LUCIE AWARDS ANNOUNCES 2018 HOST BROADWAY ACTOR ALTON FITZGERALD WHITE THE 16TH LUCIE AWARDS - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2018, 7:00 PM DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM, AT ZANKEL HALL AT CARNEGIE HALL, NYC

October 23, 2018 (Los Angeles, CA) - Acclaimed Broadway actor Alton Fitzgerald White will host this year's gala Lucie Awards presentation on Sunday, October 28, 2018, at Zankel Hall at Carnegie Hall, in New York City. White is most widely known for his record-breaking 4,308 performances as King Mufasa in Disney's *The Lion King* on Broadway.



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White's other Broadway starring roles include Mister in *The Color Purple*, Coalhouse Walker Jr. in *Ragtime*, Ken in *Smokey Joe's Cafe*, John in *Miss Saigon* and The Hawker in *The Who's Tommy*. He made his West End debut as Ken in *Smokey Joe's Cafe* in London. Alton has performed concert dates all over the world, including music from his best-selling CD, *Disney My Way!*, full of re-imagined Disney on Broadway classics. Alton has also had Guest Star roles on the hit TV series "Law and Order," "Bull," "The Blacklist," "The Good Fight," "Code Black," "Elementary," "Mindhunter," and "Madam Secretary." He has featured roles in four upcoming films including the highly anticipated *The Goldfinch*, as a social worker opposite Oscar Winner Nicole Kidman. Alton's popular TEDx Talk can be found on YouTube. This is his first time

hosting The Lucie Awards.

The Lucie Awards celebrate photography's greatest achievements the world over. The Lucie Foundation and the global photography community will recognize this year's extraordinary honorees and the talented winners from the 2018 International Photography Awards (IPA) juried competition - the Foundation's sister-effort. Awards presented will include this year's Lucie Honorees, IPA prizes, Support Category Awards, and a special tribute to those in the industry who have passed on.

The 2018 honorees, who will join the distinguished group of 141 previously recognized photographers are: Shahidul Alam for the Humanitarian Award, Jane Evelyn Atwood for Achievement in Documentary, Gian Paolo Barbieri for Achievement in Fashion, Co Rentmeester for Achievement in Sports, Joyce Tenneson for Achievement in Portraiture, Raghu Rai for Achievement in Photojournalism, Lee Friedlander for Lifetime Achievement, John Moore will receive the Inaugural Impact Award and the Camera Club of the Philippines will receive the Spotlight Award. The Sponsors for the 2018 Lucie Awards are AtEdge – Official Sponsor of The Photographer of the Year Award, PDN, Chromaluxe and Splashlight. Tickets for The Lucie Awards are on sale at <https://www.lucies.org>

About Lucie Foundation - Lucie Foundation's mission is to honor master photographers, discover and cultivate emerging talent and promote photography appreciation worldwide. The Lucie Awards ceremony is held annually to celebrate the outstanding achievements of the international photography community, recognizing those whose life's work deserves the highest acclaim. This is also where the Foundation's sister enterprise, the International Photography Awards (IPA) competition, announces the winners of the Photographer of the Year, the Discovery of the Year, the Deeper Perspective Photographer of the Year, and the Moving Image Photographer of the Year awards. Cash prizes and statues are awarded. The Foundation presents year-round programming to support high school students through SNAPSHOP! The Foundation also offers financial funding through the Lucie Scholarship Programs in support of both emerging and professional photographers. MOPLA (Month of Photography LA), has become the west coast destination for a unique month of distinctive programming for photographers and those who appreciate the craft. Lucie Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit charitable foundation. <http://www.luciefoundation.org>

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