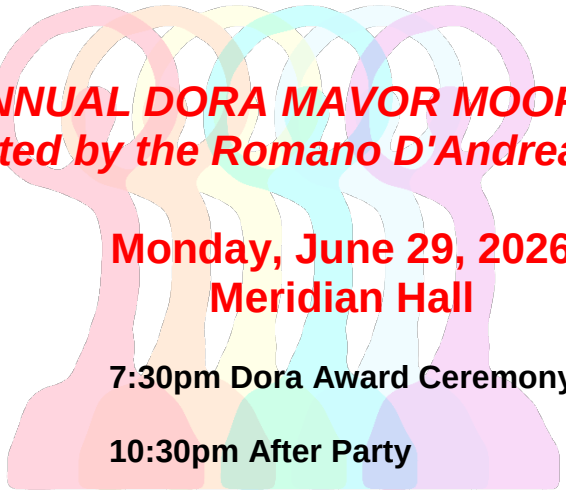
June 1, 2026

On behalf of the PAIS and TAPA Boards of Directors, congratulations on your Dora Award nomination! We invite you to join us at the award ceremony to celebrate:



***46th ANNUAL DORA MAVOR MOORE AWARDS***
***presented by the Romano D'Andrea Foundation***

**Monday, June 29, 2026**
**Meridian Hall**

**7:30pm Dora Award Ceremony (doors @ 7:00pm)**

**10:30pm After Party**

**Social Media**
Join the Dora party on social media with: #**Doras2026**
**Instagram: @tapa_to TikTok: @tapa_to Facebook: @torontoallianceforthеperformingarts**

**Acceptance Speeches**

PLEASE BE PREPARED TO GIVE AN ACCEPTANCE SPEECH OF **60 SECONDS OR LESS**.

**Jon Kaplan Audience Choice Award**
Every year, the public is invited to vote for their favourite production of the season, based on the nominees in all Outstanding Production categories across all divisions. Please encourage subscribers, audiences and fans to vote via this link, below. Voting will be open from June 1 to June 22, 11:59pm.
https://tapa.ca/doras/ancillary-awards/jon-kaplan-audience-choice-award/

Once again, warmest congratulations from the entire TAPA team, and best wishes for June 29. We look forward to welcoming you to the *46th Annual Dora Mavor Moore Awards presented by the Romano D'Andrea Foundation*.

Sincerely,

annemieke wade
Executive Director, TAPA

**Photo Request - URGENT**

During the Dora Award show ceremony, nominee photos are featured on screen. As you or your production are nominated, we request that you send your photo to us as soon as possible.

**Deadline to submit photos: Monday, June 15, 2026**

Photos submitted after this deadline will not be included.

Submission guidelines are as follows:

## For ALL photos

- **Size**: Photos should be at least 1920 × 1080 pixels. Larger images are great and will look even better on screen.
- **Framing**: Make sure the main subjects are clearly visible and not too close to the edges of the image. This helps prevent important details from being cut off when the photo is resized.
- **Quality**: Smaller or low-resolution images can still be submitted, but they may appear blurry or pixelated when displayed. As high-resolution (300dpi) as possible
- Acceptable file formats: JPEG, TIFF or PDF
- **DO NOT** send your photo in a Microsoft Word document

## For nominees

- Performance: Send **ONE** colour photo of you **in character** from the nominated production. Solo shot preferred if possible.
- Design: Send **ONE** colour photo of your **design/sketch** from the nominated production. If unavailable, headshot.
- Director, Choreographer, Playwright: Send **ONE** colour photo of your **work** from the nominated production. If unavailable, headshot.

## For ENSEMBLE performance nominees

- Producer: Send **ONE** colour production photo of the nominated ensemble in-show.

## For PRODUCTION nominees

- Send **ONE** colour production photo of your nominated production.

If you have any questions regarding your photo, please contact:
Kevin Connery hello@thesquareshop.ca

**Click Here to Upload Photos**

**Publicity Request - URGENT**

The publicist for the Dora Mavor Moore Awards is Katie Saunoris, of KSPR.

To help us manage interview requests and general outreach about Dora Award nominations, kindly fill out the questionnaire, below.

You are also welcome to reach out to Katie directly with any questions or outreach ideas, at katiesaunoris@gmail.com

**Click Here to Complete Questionnaire**

## Booking Nominee Tickets

**Deadline to book tickets: Friday, June 26**
**Early Bird $62.25 all-in tickets available until June 8**

All nominees are entitled to **1 complimentary ticket + 1 nominee guest discount ticket at Orchestra level.**

### Book your Nominee Ticket

**Click Here to Book**

- Select seating, then click UNLOCK, or click unlock at the top right corner first
- **26YNG6** code to unlock nominee seating (**DO NOT SHARE**)
- Nominee tickets must be booked under the Nominee's name.

### Book a Group of Nominee Tickets

**Group Order Form**

- Are you booking tickets for multiple Nominees? Please fill out the group order form above and a member of TO Live's Box Office team will contact you to complete your order. Usually organized by a producer or member company rep.

### Purchase Additional Tickets

**Share this link with Family, Friends, Colleagues, Public**

- Regular, Arts Worker, Student, Senior; Rear Orchestra ONLY

### Need Help?

If you need any help with your ticket order, please contact the TO Live Box Office team at 416-366-7723 | 1-800-708-6754 | boxoffice@tolive.com. Daytime service hours are Mon-Fri 1pm-6pm.

## Acceptance Speeches

Please be prepared to give an acceptance speech of **60 SECONDS OR LESS**.

As a live awards show, the Doras have a strict maximum running time. ***If you exceed 60 seconds, you will be cued off the stage.***

In addition to your personal remarks, TAPA recommends that you mention/thank the producing company of your nominated show, the Dora Awards jurors, sponsors of the award Division or specific cash sponsors for some categories, and TAPA.

**Statue note**: if you receive an award on stage, please support the statue with one hand *under the base*. Do not carry the statue by the circular "arms" at the top - they are fragile.

**Photography notice**: TAPA employs a dedicated photographer for the Awards ceremony and will share photos to social media, the TAPA website and TAPA communications.

## Substitutions

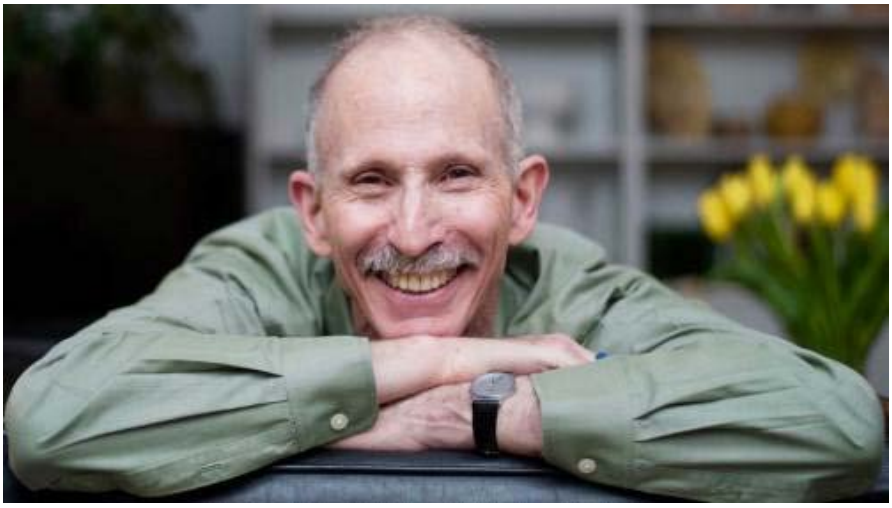
The named award recipient may accept the Dora statue and deliver a thank-you speech on stage **ONLY**; no substitutions will be permitted.

If the recipient is unable to attend the ceremony, the on-stage VIP Dora presenters will accept the award on behalf of the recipient and the Dora Manager will contact the recipient to arrange a pickup from the TAPA office of their statue at a later date.

## Accessibility

If you require any accessibility accommodations, please contact Dora Manager Scott Dermody by Monday, June 15. scottd@tapa.ca We will do our best to accommodate requests within the limitations of the venue.

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*One vote per person; multiple entries will be removed.*

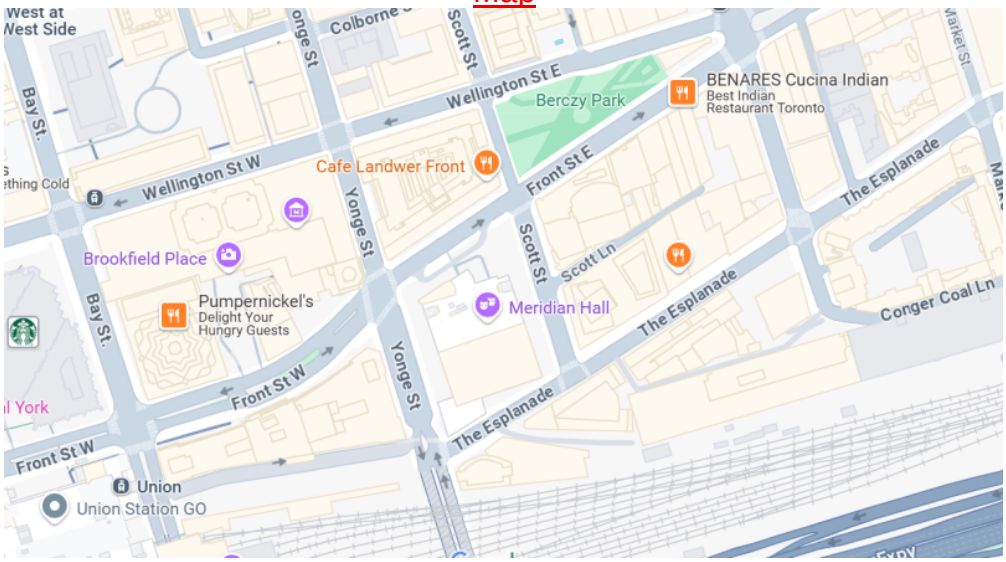
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**Venue Directions, Transportation, and Parking**

# Meridian Hall is located at 1 Front Street East in Toronto — at the southeast corner of Yonge Street.

Map




## Getting There

Meridian Hall is easily accessible by TTC, GO Transit, UP Express, Bike Share Toronto, and vehicle.

**Carbon footprint**: private vehicle emissions can be the highest contributor to the carbon footprint of live event production. TAPA strongly recommends that Dora Awards attendees consider using lower/zero emission alternatives when traveling to and from the ceremony, such as public transit, bicycle or car pooling.

## Transit

Transit users can reach Meridian with a short walk two blocks east of Union Station, or two blocks south of King Station.

## Bike Share Toronto

With over 800 Bike Share docking locations in Toronto, please consider cycling to an event. Several stations are near Meridian Hall including those on Scott Street, Front Street and Church Street. Find a location near you.

## Parking

Meridian Hall is a short drive north of the Yonge Street exit off Lakeshore Boulevard/Gardiner Expressway.
Meridian Hall has no onsite parking available, except for a limited number of spaces for guests with accessible needs.
Public parking can be found at several lots in the local area, including at:

- Brookfield Place, 181 Bay Street, across from Meridian Hall
- Scott Street, public lot just east of Meridian Hall
- The Esplanade, public lot just south of Meridian Hall

Limited metered street parking is available in the surrounding streets.

## Parent and Caregiver Support for Nominees

**Returning this year!**
**Support for Parents and Caregivers at the Dora Awards:**
**Childcare/Caregiver Subsidy and Babes-in-Arms**

- **Babes-in-Arms**

For those with the very youngest of audience members, we welcome babes-in-arms. Please contact us to book seats on the aisles for 'standing and swaying,' and close to the exit for easy access. Please note, the theatre atmosphere will have audience lights out and full sound on.

**Click Here to Book Aisle Seats**

- **Childcare / Caregiver Subsidy**

The Toronto Alliance for the Performing Arts, in partnership with **Balancing Act Canada***, is pleased to offer **childcare/caregiver subsidies** for nominees attending the Dora Mavor Moore Awards!

We know that sometimes a night out can be a challenge for artist parents and caregivers. We'd like to make things a little easier by **offering a modest subsidy to offset the cost of a babysitter or home care** while you are out celebrating with us.

This subsidy is offered on a first come, first served basis.

We are able to offer **$100 per family**, until funds run out.

To apply for these funds, please complete the form, below.

* *Balancing Act is a national initiative that supports and advocates for artist and arts worker parents and caregivers. To learn more, visit balancingactcanada.com*

**Click Here to Request Subsidy**

**Dress Rental Discount - Fitzroy**

THE FITZROY
DRESS RENTAL MAGIC

**Dress Rental Discount for All Dora Awards Ticket Holders**
Thanks to our fashion partner Fitzroy, all attendees of the 45th Anniversary Dora Awards all eligible to receive a 20% discount on dress rentals!

- For use Online and in Store
- **20% off** entire order
- One use per customer
- Can't combine with other discounts
- Active from June 1

## USE CODE DORA2026

**Click Here to Redeem Offer**

## Venue Accessibility Services

The Dora Awards will have audio-description available. TAPA is working with **Superior Description** for the Dora award show ceremony. **Listening devices are available at the box office**.

The Dora Awards will provide on-stage **ASL interpretation** and live **Audio Description** services. To book an Audio Description device, please contact Dora Manager Scott Dermody at scottd@tapa.ca

The orchestra level of Meridian Hall is barrier free for patrons using wheelchairs or similar assistive devices. The mezzanine and lower lobby spaces can be accessed via elevator from the main lobby. Accessible washrooms are located on all levels. Meridian Hall maintains specific wheelchair-accessible seating locations on the orchestra and mezzanine levels—please contact the box office for more details.

For more information, please click here for the Meridian Hall venue guide.

**Assistive devices**
Patrons using assistive devices such as wheelchairs or walkers will be accommodated in an accessible area of the theatre. A wheelchair is available at Meridian Hall for use by patrons during their visit.
Meridian Hall uses an infrared system to enhance performance audio. Patrons may borrow a receiver from the patron services desk located in the main lobby. There is no charge, but a piece of identification must be left as a deposit.

Binoculars are available for rent from the patron services desk located in the main lobby for a small charge.

**Support persons and service animals**
Meridian Hall is happy to offer free admission to support persons for patrons with access needs at all TO Live Presents events. Other events may charge full admission price for support persons. Service animals are welcome at Meridian Hall at no charge. Please contact our box office at 416-366-7723 | 1-800-708-6754 to make appropriate seating arrangements.

**Parking for patrons with disabilities**
Meridian Hall has limited accessible parking in the main driveway available on a first-come, first-served basis. For inquiries about accessible parking or to book an accessible spot, please call 416-368-6161 x7135.

**Questions or concerns**
Any questions or concerns about services for patrons with access needs may be directed to our box office at 416-366-7723 | 1-800-708-6754 or email us at boxoffice@tolive.com.