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## INDEPENDENT THEATRE AWARDS :: The OFFIES PHOTOCALL

## From 1pm on Sunday 27 February 2011 at Wilton's Music Hall

## The OFFIES

Hosted by much loved actor, writer and theatre director, **Simon Callow**, CBE, with guest presenters; actor **Simon Russell Beale**, CBE, soon playing Stalin at the National Theatre's *Collaborators*, Edinburgh Comedy Awards boss **Nica Burns**, Olivier Award winner **Alex Jennings**, actor and director **Don Warrington** and stage and screen actress **Ann Mitchell**.



Simon Callow, CBE

Special guests include actresses **Linda Marlowe** and **Lindsay Duncan**, actor, writer and artistic theatre director **Michael Pennington**, West End producer **Edward Snape** and Golden Globe and BAFTA winner, **Rita Tushingham**. Other media professionals attending include, BBC television and radio producer, **Clive Brill** and his wife, **Elaine Bedell**, the Director of Entertainment & Comedy ITV. Time Out boss, **Tony Elliott**, will be accompanied by his wife **Janey**.



Simon Russell Beale, CBE

Nominees include actress, **Amanda Root**, nominated for Best Female Performance, Amanda is best known for her television roles in *Persuasion* and *Anna Karenina*, while *Eastenders* television actor, **Arinze Kene**, is nominated for Most Promising New Playwright. Other Best Female nominees include; **Janet Suzman**, twice winner of The Evening Standard Best Actress Award, Academy Award and Golden Globe nominee, **Anna-Jane Casey** and **Michelle Terry**.



Linda Marlowe

Not to be outshone, the Best Male Performance nominees include film actors **Samuel Barnett, Danny Webb** and fellow nominees **Nick Holder, Hugh Hughes** and **David Ganly**.

Artistic Directors nominated include, **Neil McPherson** of The Finborough, **Peter Bull** of Above The Stag and **Sasha Regan** at Union Theatre. Other Artistic Directors attending include; **William Burdett Coutts** of Riverside Studios, **Tim Roseman** and **Paul Robinson** of Theatre503, **Sean Holmes** of Lyric, **David Jubb** and **David Micklem** of BAC, **Steve Marmion** of Soho Theatre and **Kerry Michael** of Theatre Royal Stratford East.



Arinze Kene



Neil McPherson

The Offies on Sunday 27 February 2011

1pm Photo Call\*: Guest arrival in VIP theatre box designed black cabs

2pm Welcome Reception/The Offies Awards ceremony commences5pm Awards conclude and After Party commences at Wilton's

Venue: Wilton's Music Hall, 1 Graces Alley, London E1 8JB



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