

HALL OF HONOR CLASS OF 2019



TOM JONES

Tom Jones graduated from Coleman High School in 1945. He graduated from the University of Texas and became a successful songwriter/lyricist. He is known for hundreds of recordings, notably for “Much More,” “Try to Remember,” “Soon It’s Gonna Rain,” and “They Were You” which he co-authored. He is known for his most successful work, “The Fantasticks” which opened in 1960 and became the longest running production in the history of the American theatre. Jones and composer Harvey Schmidt also wrote two successful Broadway shows, “110 in the Shade” and “I Do! I Do!” along with many more notable shows. Mr. Jones received an OBIE Award and the 1992 Special Tony Award for “The Fantasticks.” In 1999, he was inducted into the Broadway Hall of Fame at the Gershwin Theatre, in 2012 he was inducted into the Songwriter’s Hall of Fame, and in December of 2017, he received the Oscar Hammerstein Award. His “star” is on the Off Broadway Walk of Fame outside the Lucille Lortel Theatre in New York City, New York. Mr. Jones currently resides in Connecticut and, at age 91, is working on three new shows.