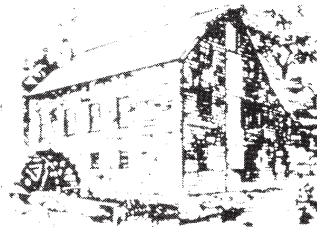


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Great Neck Native Catherine Schreiber Wins Tony Award

At the recent 66th Annual Tony Awards, Great Neck North graduate, Catherine Schreiber won a Tony for Best Play as a producer for *Clybourne Park*. The other show on which she was a producer, *Peter and the Starcatcher* walked away with five Tonys, including Best Supporting Role for Christian Borle (also star of NBC's hit TV show, *SMASH*). *Peter and the Starcatcher* was the most nominated play with nine nominations and in fact received the most nominations for any new American play in the history of the Tony Awards and received more Tony wins than any other play. *Clybourne Park*, the 2011 Pulitzer Prize winner, had four nominations. Like a good parent, she did not have favorites, but said each had deserved to win.

In addition to the 2011 Pulitzer Prize, *Clybourne Park* won London's Olivier Award for Best Play. 'Clybourne Park is the wickedly funny and fiercely provocative new play about race, real estate and the volatile values of each. It explodes in two outrageous acts set 50 years apart. Act one takes place in 1959, as nervous community leaders anxiously try to stop the sale of a home to a black family. Act two is set in the same house in the present day, as the now predominantly African-American neighborhood battles to hold its ground in the face of gentrification.'

The show recently won the 13th

Annual Broadway.com Audience Choice Award for Favorite New Play. Christian Borle, Tony winner for best supporting actor, won the Audience Choice Award for funniest performer and Celia Keenan-Bolger won the Audience Choice Award for best actress in a play. Celia had also been nominated for a Tony for best supporting actress.

Catherine is continuing a nice tradition of having a show Tony nominated in every season. It was a special moment for her to actually win her first Tony with *Clybourne Park*. She began her Broadway career in 2010 with Tony nominated *Next Fall* and last year she was a producer on *The Scottsboro Boys* which received 12 Tony nominations. *The Scottsboro Boys* is currently playing to stellar reviews at the Old Globe in San Diego before moving to San Francisco's ACT and then on to the Ahmanson in Los Angeles. Catherine also was a producer this year on Alicia's *Keys Stick Fly* for which Condola Rashad received a nomination for best-supporting actress. In 2011, Catherine produced *Desperate Writers*, a play she co-wrote and acted in Off-Broadway at the Union Square Theatre. Plans are in the works for the film, on which the play was based, to be produced. And Catherine was a producer on *The King's Speech* which recently closed after a critical success in London. There are future plans for *The King's Speech* to come to



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Catherine Schreiber at the opening of her 5-time Tony Award-winning play "Peter"

Broadway.

With *Stick Fly*, Catherine began Great Neck Theatre Night bringing groups of high school classmates to the theatre. She will continue to do so with *Peter* and *Clybourne Park*. If you would like information on tickets or if you have groups you'd like to arrange for any of her shows, please contact her at Catherine@catherineschreiberproductions.com Website (Wowcatherine.com) Or visit <http://peterandthestarcatcher.com/> and <http://clybournepark.com/>.