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The Wagner College Theatre has named Karen L. Lewis, a multiple Emmy and Writers Guild award-winning television writer, the winner of the 2012 Stanley Drama Award for her play, "The Perfect Wife."

Lewis makes her home in Saranac Lake, N.Y. and New York City.

Two finalists in the 2012 competition were also announced: Stephen Wylie for "Cages in Space," and Richard Manley for "Life is Mostly Straws."

This year's award ceremony will be held on Monday, March 5 at 6 p.m. at The Players, 16 Gramercy Park South (20th Street), Manhattan.

The Stanley Drama Award was established in 1957 by Staten Island philanthropist Alma Guyon Timolat Stanley and endowed through the Stanley-Timolat Foundation. The national

Stanley Award competition is administered by the Wagner College Theatre program.

The Stanley Drama Award has a long and distinguished history. Past winners include Terrence McNally's "This Side of the Door" (aka "Things That Go Bump in the Night"), Lonne Elder III's "Ceremonies in Dark Old Men," and <u>Jonathan Larson</u>'s "Rent." Among those judging for the Stanley Award have been playwrights Edward Albee and Paul Zindel, actresses Geraldine Page and Kim Stanley, and TV producer/pioneer talk-show host David Susskind.