A USU Eastern associate theatre professor is being recognized for his work in Utah theatre as well as his service to the Utah Theatre Association on Jan. 19 at the Davis Conference Center.

Corey A. Ewan, Ph.D., is being presented with the award for his contributions as a theatre professional in promoting theatre in education and community arenas.

Ewan earned an associate degree at the College of Eastern Utah, bachelor’s at USU and doctorate at Brigham Young University.

In addition to teaching at Eastern for the past 19 years, he taught theatre classes at BYU and USU. He directed plays for the Otherside Players and Old Lyric Repertory Co. He was a casting adviser for the LDS Audio Visual Department and a company member of the Old Lyric Co., for five years.

His professional acting experience includes television and film work for the USA Network, Mirror Films, CBS, ABC, KSL TV, Majestic Entertainment, Bonneville International, Sun International Pictures and KOOG-TV.

Set dresser and costume designer for numerous plays can also be credited to Ewan’s resume as well as memberships in the Rocky Mountain Theatre Association, Actor’s Repertory Theatre Ensemble, Utah Arts Council’s Theatre Advisory Board and UTA.

He has been a member of UTA for decades, and likes the concept whereas the organization helps high school theatre students network with college and university representatives. UTA recently expanded to focus and address needs of theatre students at the high school and college level as well as theatre professionals and educators.

Lindsey McKinnon, UTA representative, said, “as part of the association’s focus, it is important to recognize individuals who have impacted their communities and aided in bringing theatre to actors, directors, designers and audiences throughout the state. Ewan’s contributions to theatre best exemplifies what the association stands for.”

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