



THEATRE EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

The Theatre Education Scholarships are an opportunity for seniors who wish to pursue theatre education as a career to interview live and present created materials in front of a panel of retired and current teachers and EdTA representatives at the MST Conference in January.

Three applicants will receive a one-time scholarship of \$1,000 to be applied to tuition and fees associated with full-time enrollment at an accredited college or university. The scholarship will be paid directly to the college or university.

You must submit and complete the entire application and upload the required materials no later than 11:59pm on November 19th. No late applications will be accepted.

APPLICATION PROCESS

This application is a **THREE** STEP PROCESS.

STEP ONE

- **Your Troupe Director MUST register & pay for you** to apply for the MST scholarship application process when your troupe is registered for the conference.

STEP TWO

- go to the Missouri State Thespians Website and click on the Academic Works link,
- Fill out the EdTA portion of the Scholarship Application
 - You will be asked to submit your headshot & resume.
 - This information is collected for the use of the Education Theatre Association & International Thespian Society.
- **Submit your application**

STEP THREE

- AcademicWorks will send you an email that will provide a link to the MST Theatre Education Scholarship Auditions
- Click on this link
- Fill out the MST portion of the Scholarship Application
 - You will be asked to submit your headshot & resume (again)
 - You will be asked to submit your essay
 - This information is collected for the use of MST and will be distributed to the College Reps attending this year's conference.
- **Submit your application**

IMPORTANT--Once ALL THREE of these steps are complete, you will be eligible to interview at the Missouri State Thespian conference.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Each Theatre Education applicant **MUST** complete the following in **Academic Works**:

- an Audition Application
- upload a resume—in .pdf format
- upload a headshot—in .jpg format
- upload original essay—in .pdf format

SPECIFICS FOR UPLOADING CONTENT

- **Resume**--each applicant **MUST** use the MST Resume Template (found on the Scholarship Applicant page of the MST website).
 - Complete resume
 - Save as a .pdf
 - Upload to the Academic Works application where indicated
- **Headshot**--each applicant **MUST** upload a headshot. While this does not have to be a professionally taken photograph, it is always best to represent yourself well. Consider your background and lighting when choosing your headshots.
- **Original Essay**--each applicant must complete an original essay (1000-1500 words)
 - Choose one of the following on which to focus your essay:
 - What teaching practices have you witnessed that you would want to adopt in your future theatre classroom?
 - What was your favorite lesson, what did you like about the lesson, and why was this lesson effective at teaching?
 - What was your least favorite lesson, what would you change about this lesson to make it more effective?
 - What characteristics do you possess that would make you an inspiring theatre teacher?

INTERVIEW REQUIREMENTS

- **Interview Information**--applicant will be interviewed by a panel for 20 minutes. During this interview, you will be asked questions related to your choice to pursue theatre education
- **Portfolio/Material Information**--you will have a chance to share created items related to educational theatre and/or theatre production--may include, but not limited to, lesson or unit plans, production notebooks, etc.

Sample Adjudication Ballots for the Theatre Education Scholarship can be found on the MST website.