

MO Thespian Newsletter

December 5, 2010

Master Class

Students still have the opportunity to register for Deidre Goodwin's master class. Students can fill out the attached Master Class form and fax the form to Debbie Corbin at Branson High School by Monday, December 13th. There are a limited number of spots available, so fax your application in now. The \$25 fee can be paid upon registration at the conference if your student is selected.

From Your Chapter Director:

We realize that the hotel situation has been an issue for this conference. We apologize for the headaches that have been caused by the lack of rooms, and please know that we are diligently working on a solution for next year. Brad Rackers will be talking with sponsors at conference about their hotel registration experience, and we will compile all of the information to make everything more efficient for everyone. Moving to a new space always has its challenges. Here are the most recent options for those of you who may not have housing:

Holiday Inn Express

A limited number of rooms that were previously unavailable have opened up at the Holiday Inn Express. Call 417-862-0078.

Clarion Hotel

Please call Cindy Ebbert at 417-520-8476. They are offering rooms at \$49.00 with breakfast included. The Clarion is about five miles from campus.

Page to Stage

Auditions for Page to Stage will be held Wednesday, January 5th after *White Christmas* (10-11:30) and Thursday, January 6th after *Jekyll and Hyde* (10-11:45) at the University Plaza Hotel. Selected playwrights are expected to be at **both** audition calls (Wednesday and Thursday). Students who are planning to audition will need to sign up for an audition time Wednesday night at the University Plaza or Thursday morning before the first general session at the information table. Students who wish to stage manage a Page-to-Stage production also need to sign up at the information table.

Dance

Get ready for the dance to be held at the University Plaza on Friday night! This year's theme is "Masquerade" - you can create a mask for the dance, but it must only cover half of your face. Masks can also be purchased at conference to benefit the All State Show. No full masks allowed!! We will welcome back Cosmic Cow to provide the music and everyone is sure to have a great time! The suggested dress code is semi-formal - be creative!

White Christmas

All schools that arrive the Wednesday night for Conference 2011 will have the opportunity to attend *White Christmas*. This production will be presented by the MSU Theatre Department. There will be a ticket price of \$2.00 per person. Sponsors need to email Debbie Corbin by December 15th to reserve tickets for the performance. YOU MUST have a reservation to attend. corbind@branson.k12.mo.us

Registration

Sponsors: Be sure to check your CD for the W9 form to submit to your school's financial office.

Parade of Troupes

Parade of Troupes slides can be sent to Lorie O'Leary NO LATER than 2pm on December 17th. Lorie has sent confirmation emails to all participants. If you did not receive confirmation, you do not have a slide submitted. Please refer to all of the guidelines included on the CD and website, and make sure you send the slide to paradeoftroupe@hotmail.com.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MO STATE CONFERENCE 2011

PLACE: MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY (SPRINGFIELD)

DATE: JANUARY 6-8

Email tnigus@fz.k12.mo.us to have your season included in the newsletter!

Colleges and Vendors

The following colleges and vendors will be represented at conference. Please visit their tables and get valuable information about your post-secondary career:

1. Mizzou
2. Fontbonne University
3. Drury University
4. Missouri Valley College
5. Northwest Missouri State University
6. New York Conservatory for Dramatic Arts
7. Central Methodist University
8. Stephens College
9. Rockford College
10. Southeast Missouri State University
11. SIUE
12. Coffeyville Community College
13. Lindenwood University
14. Costume Holiday House
15. William Woods University
16. New York Film Academy
17. Interactive Educational Video
18. State Fair Community College
19. Brooklyn Publishers LLC
20. Independence Community College
21. Theatre Folk
22. Webster University
23. Graceland University
24. Missouri State University
25. University of Central Missouri

Students can bring pocket money to bid on silent auction items, buy fun stuff from the Costume Holiday House booth, donate to Broadway Cares or to buy Missouri Thespian gear! Remember that if you lose your ID badge, you will have to pay a \$5.00 replacement fee. DO NOT lose your meal bracelet – you cannot get a replacement.

Sponsors – remember that if you did not purchase meal bracelets for you or your students that you will be responsible for getting your own meals. The hospitality room for sponsors will be very limited at dinner. If you want the option to eat in the dining hall, you must order meal bracelets through Jennifer Forrest-James by December 10th.

Students

If you plan to attend Deidre Goodwin's dance workshops, please dress appropriately. No dresses, jeans, or regular pants. Shoes can be dance (jazz) shoes or regular sneakers.

All State Information

Each All-State cast and crew member will be allowed four tickets to the state performance and eight tickets for the LSN performance. Please email Brad Rackers with your list of names for each performance. All names must be to Brad no later than 4:00pm **Friday, December 17th**. Any name sent after that date will not have a badge and therefore will not be allowed to attend the performances.

Cast and Crew of *Jekyll and Hyde*

Schedule of Events for the December Rehearsals:

Tuesday, December 28th

- 8:00 am arrival for all company members in or around the KC Metro area
- 9:00 am arrival for all other company members
- 9:30 am – 12 pm ~ vocal music rehearsal/set reconstruction
- 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm ~ LUNCH
- 12:30 pm – 5:30 ~ Run through of the show
- 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm ~ DINNER at LSN
- 6:30 pm – 11:00 pm ~ Return to hotel – social time till room checks at 11:00 pm

Wednesday, December 29th

- 8:00 am arrival for all company members – directly into costumes/makeup
- 9:00 am – 12:00 pm ~ Full run of the production
- 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm ~ LUNCH
- 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm ~ Reset of production for second full run
- 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm ~ Second full run through of production
- 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm ~ DINNER at LSN
- 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm ~ Film social at LSN
- 9:00 pm- 11:00 pm ~ Return to hotel – social time till room checks at 11:00 pm

Thursday, December 30th

- 8:00 am arrival for all company members – directly into costumes/makeup
- 9:00 am – 12:00 pm ~ Full run of the production
- 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm ~ LUNCH
- 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm ~ Reset of production for preview performance
- 2:00 pm – CURTAIN (Full run of the production: 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm)
- 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm ~ Full strike of the set for loading into the truck on January 4th