Ohio University - Theater
Scholarship Presentations, January 18, 2014

Fine Arts Talent Award as well as Talent Trustee Award (reserved for non-resident students)

Through the College of Fine Arts and the Ohio University Scholarship Committee (Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships), we are able to offer scholarships to talented and dedicated students who wish to major in theater, whether as performers, designers, technicians, stage managers, or playwrights. These awards are for incoming first year students that major in theater and begin their training at Ohio University.

To qualify for one of these scholarships, the student must be evaluated by our faculty. The students’ auditions, interviews, portfolio reviews, and writing samples will all be important factors in determining scholarship consideration. **In order to be awarded a scholarship, the student must have been accepted by Ohio University and be registered as a Theater Major.**

We understand that many students will not have a confirmation of acceptance by November or January. Our scholarship award time is April to May, so students must apply to Ohio University by March.

Talent scholarship applicants (as well as Talent Trustee applicants) should complete the attached application form, and include a photo of the themselves. A school picture or clear snapshot is all that is necessary, this does not need to be a professional head shot.

Students interested in applying need to have a drama coach, mentor, or guidance counselor sign the application. Simply put, the form needs to be signed by an adult familiar with the students’ accomplishments. Please return the finished application to:

Theater Scholarship Committee, 307 Kantner Hall, Ohio University, Athens, OH 45701

or by email to: theater@ohio.edu

or by fax to: 740-593-4817

Deadline for applications is **January 8, 2014.** For further information or if you have any questions, contact us at (740-593-4818).

A schedule of individual presentation/audition times will be available at registration, the morning of Scholarship Day. There will also be a chance to meet Faculty, tour our facilities and meet with an admissions representative.
Audition and interview schedules will be assigned as applications are received, unless specific requests are made early. Special travel circumstances (such as flight arrangements) will be taken into consideration (please note any special concerns on the application).
STUDENT INFORMATION

NAME_________________________________________ DATE____________________
ADDRESS_______________CITY_______________STATE________ZIP CODE________
SCHOOL______________________________PHONE__________________ GPA______

STUDENT’S EMAIL ADDRESS____________________________________________________
(please print clearly)

PARENT OR GUARDIAN’S EMAIL ADDRESS____________________________________________
(information will be cc’d to this address)

Areas of interest in theater_________________________________________________

Presentation Format: (Check all that apply)

_____ Audition (Performance)

_____ Design / portfolio review

_____ Creative writing sample

In order to complete this form, please have it signed by a teacher familiar with your academic and related accomplishments.

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(Signature)                                 (Printed name, relationship to student, and email address)

Please check all that apply:

___ Attached is a list of productions in which I have been involved and an explanation of my contributions to them.

___ Attached is a creative writing sample for review.

___ I will complete my Ohio University application for admission and return it to Ohio University, either on line or by mail to 120 Chubb Hall Athens, OH 45701 (must be completed by March, 2014)

Return completed FATA Scholarship application to 307 Kantner Hall Athens, OH 45701, by email; theater@ohio.edu, or by fax; 740-593-4817
1. **What if a student can't attend in January?** If it is absolutely not possible for you to attend scholarship auditions, contact our main office at: theater@ohio.edu or 740.593.4818 and inquire if special arrangements can be made. It is not always possible to make a special arrangement, but we are willing to attempt to work around a significant scheduling difficulty.

2. **What should I do for the audition? How long do I have? Do I have to do two contrasting monologues? Will there be an accompanist? What if I don't sing? What if I do sing?**
   Your audition should be no longer than 3 minutes, should be material that you are comfortable with, and gives the best representation of yourself. One monologue that is 2 minutes long is perfectly acceptable; two monologues that are about 3 minutes long are perfectly acceptable as well. If you wish to sing as part of your 3-minute audition please know that there will not be an accompanist; however, a cd/tape player will be available.

3. **Can I watch my friends audition? Will I see the other auditions? Can my parents watch my audition?** Only the performance faculty watches the auditions. Auditions begin with a group warm-up and a question and answer session. This is your chance to learn a bit more about us and our approach as well as our opportunity to learn about you.

4. **What should I include in my portfolio?**
   In addition to light plots, costume renderings, set designs, painters elevations, photographs, or slide of any theatrical work you have done your portfolio can include: sketches/ drawings/ paintings/ doodling/ poetry/ short stories/ collages/ or photographs. In short, include anything that you have created that represents your aesthetic and/or your creative impulses.

5. **I love acting, design, and being a stagemanager, what should I do?**
   The FATA scholarship is not academically based, but we need a way to assess students in order to award the scholarship! We are looking for THEATER students- you are welcome to audition, interview, and have a portfolio review, or just choose one of these options to present yourself.

6. **What if my question wasn't answered here?** Email or call us and we will offer all the assistance we can provide: theater@ohio.edu or 740.593.4818

7. **Where do I find Kantner Hall!?** This link will take you to Ohio University’s campus map to find Kantner Hall; www.ohiou.edu/athens/ioumap.html

FATA Day is conducted like an open house with auditions and interviews in the afternoon. We feel that this is our audition for you to see us! You will meet faculty and students, learn about our goals, and see how we operate; in addition to having the opportunity to audition for scholarship money.