Theater Scholarship Presentations

Experience the Arts Day: October 9, 2017
Scholarship Day: January 20, 2018

Through the College of Fine Arts, 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 talent scholarships include the Fine Arts Talent Award and the Talent Trustee Award (reserved for out-of-state students) and are for incoming first-year students who major in theater and begin their training at Ohio University.

To qualify for one of these talent-based scholarships, the student must be evaluated by our faculty. The students’ audition, interviews, portfolio review, and writing samples will all be important factors in determining scholarship consideration. In order to be awarded a scholarship, the student must be accepted for admission by Ohio University and be as admitted to a Theater Major. The Ohio University admission process can be completed online at www.ohio.edu/admissions/apply. To have a printed application sent to you, please contact:

Undergraduate Admissions
Chubb Hall 120
1 Ohio University
Athens OH 45701
T. 740.593.4100
admissions@ohio.edu

Talent scholarship applicants should complete the attached application form and include a photo of 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 school counselor sign the application.

Please return the finished attached application to:

Scholarship Committee
Kantner Hall 307
1 Ohio University
Athens OH 45701
F. 740.593.4817
theater@ohio.edu

The priority deadline for applications is January 8, 2018. 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 check-in each day. 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).
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Student Information

Name: ___________________________________________________________  Date: ___________________________

Address: ______________________________________________________________________________________

City: __________________________________________________   State: ________________   Zip: ________________

Phone: ______________________________________ E-mail: ________________________________________ _______

Parent/Guardian E-mail: ______________________________________________________________________________

School: ___________________________________________________________________________________________

Area(s) of Interest (check all that apply):

  ____ Audition (Performance)  ____ Portfolio Review (Design)

  ____ Portfolio Review (Stage Management)   ____ Creative Writing Sample (Playwriting)

Supporting Documents (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 creating writing sample for review.

  ____ I will complete my required Ohio University Application for Admission and Scholarships and submit it via The Common Application, Ohio University’s website www.ohio.edu/admissions/apply, or by mail to Undergraduate Admissions, Chubb Hall 120, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701.

Teacher, Mentor, or Advisor:
Please have a teacher, mentor, or advisor familiar with your academic and related accomplishments complete this section in support of your candidacy:

Printed Name: _____________________________________  Signature: _________________________________ _______

Relationship to student: __________________________ E-mail: ________________________________________ _______
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Frequently Asked Questions

Scholarship Day is conducted as an open house with meetings and workshops in the morning and auditions and interviews in the afternoon. In part, this is our audition for you! You will meet faculty and students, learn about our goals, and see how we operate!

1. **I love acting, design, and being a stage manager, what should I do?**
   The FATA scholarship is not a program audition. We have talent-based scholarships, and this is our way to assess students in order to make the awards. 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.

2. **What if I can't make the published date(s)?**
   If it is absolutely not possible for you to attend a scholarship day, contact our 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.

3. **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 consist of two contrasting monologues no longer than 3 minutes in total combined length. They should be material with which you are comfortable, be age appropriate, and give the best representation of you. If you wish to sing as part of your 3 minute audition please know that there will not be an accompanist; you will need to bring your own music and music player.

4. **Can I watch my friends audition? Will I see the other auditions? Can my parents watch my audition?**
   Only the performance faculty watch the auditions. You will present your monologues and then have a short talk with the faculty. This is your chance to learn more about us and our approach as well as our opportunity to learn about you.

5. **What should I include in my portfolio?**
   In addition to light plots, costume renderings, set designs, painters elevations, photographs, or images 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. Work in progress that shows your process is especially helpful.

6. **What if my question wasn’t answered here?**
   E-mail theater@ohio.edu or call 740.593.4818, and we will offer all the assistance we can provide.

7. **Where do I find Kantner Hall?**
   Kantner Hall is building 30, located on North Green in the H-2 coordinates of the Ohio University campus map at www.ohiou.edu/athens/ioumap.html. For GPS devices use 9 South College Street, Athens Ohio 45701.

8. **Do I need to be admitted to OHIO in order to audition/interview?**
   No. We understand that a student may not have a confirmation of admission prior to the date of your audition/interview. Our scholarship award time is February to May. You must successfully earn admission, though, to take receipt of any scholarship offers.