

Mississippi Theatre Association
Annual Festival

Teachers:

Don't miss this opportunity to register for the 2009 MTA Theatre Festival! There is something for you and your students!

College/University Auditions
10-Minute Play Festival (limited slots)
Individual Events
Workshops for teachers and students
High School Productions
Community Theatre Productions
Youth Playwriting Competition
Theatre for Youth Festival (registration closed)
Teacher CEU's

Don't miss this opportunity to expose your students to an exceptional educational opportunity.

Destination – Natchez, MS
January 15-18, 2009



Mississippi Theatre Association



November 15, 2008

Dear Theatre Teachers:

The 2009 Mississippi Theatre Association's annual theatre festival is almost upon us! I hope you are planning to attend this year's festival. In case you don't know, this festival brings together high school theatres, community theatres, college/universities theatres from all over the state to share in one long weekend of extraordinary theatre. What better way to show your students the power of theatre than bringing them to the MTA 2009 Festival. You and your students will have the opportunity to see 10 high school productions, 8 community theatre production, participate in the 10-Minute Play Festival, audition for college/universities, attend workshops and hear guest speakers. The festival is scheduled for January 15 – 18, 2009 in historic Natchez, MS.

Because our festival continues to grow, it was necessary for us to re-work our registration forms to make processing the forms easier and faster. With more than 600 people attending, you can image the amount of time it takes to manually process the registrations. Therefore, this year you will be required to complete the registration form using an Excel spreadsheet. The spreadsheet will have to be emailed to me at scunetto@gmail.com. The spreadsheet contains all of the elements of the forms we used to use. When you open the spreadsheet you will first complete the overall counts of people attending the festival, provide information about your school and your production. Next, you will select the EVENT REGISTRATION tab and complete the roster of attendees and select all of the events in which each individual will participate.

This form can be found online at <http://www.mta-online.org/festivals/2009/>. Once you get to this website, scroll down to the "*High School Festival and Registration Information*" section. This section contains all of the links and information needed to register for the festival. Here you can read more about the 10-Minute Festival, Individual Events Festival, College/University Auditions as well as find information to prepare your students for the college/university audition process. The website also contains hotel information and local contact information.

The deadline for registration is **January 5, 2009.**

Hardcopies of the registration form, payment and the college/audition forms should be sent (in addition to the emailed copy) to:

Stephen Cunetto
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We hope that you will consider attending the 2009 Festival. We are very excited about all that the festival has to offer you and your students. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me or one of your regional representatives listed below.

Sincerely,
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