A scholarship opportunity for Theater Majors!

George Mason University’s School of Theater announces

Application for Theater Scholarships for 2015-2016.

Deadline for application is May 8, 2015, 5:00pm.

Application Criteria

Arts by George scholarships are available to:

Incoming freshmen or transfer students (Fall 2015) admitted to George Mason University and accepted into the Theater Major via interview and either audition or portfolio review;

And

Current Theater Majors in good standing at Mason.

Scholarship Awards typically range from $1000 to $4000. To receive the total amount of a scholarship, recipients must:

• maintain full-time enrollment (minimum 12 credits) as a declared Theater Major;
• remain a Theater Major until all funds are disbursed;
• maintain a minimum GPA of 2.5 until all funds are disbursed;
• participate in scholarship events as an identified scholarship recipient.

If the recipient fails to meet any of the required criteria, remaining scholarship funds may be restricted at the discretion of the School of Theater.

A Panel of Theater Faculty will award scholarships based upon review of student essays, work and/or potential in the program, and financial need. Essays should reflect a thoughtful presentation of the chosen topic, as well as strong writing and communication skills. Resumes should demonstrate theater skills and experience.

To apply, write a 2 - 3 page paper on one of the topics listed below, and submit it along with a cover letter, the Application Cover Sheet, a resume, and a letter describing financial need. Applications may be submitted electronically via email to theater@gmu.edu (please put Scholarship Application in the subject line) or by mail to George Mason University School of Theater, 4400 University Dr., PAB A407, MS 3E6, Fairfax, VA 22030. Incomplete applications or applications postmarked or time-stamped later than May 8, 2015 at 5:00pm, will not be considered. Hand delivered applications by deadline are acceptable.
Choose one topic:

1. Discuss how a performance, whether your own or a live performance you attended, changed your way of thinking about theater as an art form, as a catalyst for change, and/or as means of communication or education.

2. Discuss your observations and opinions of the Art of Theater as collaborative process. Consider those onstage, those backstage, directors, designers, and audience in your discussion.

3. Explore your personal journey in Theater -- successes, opportunities, challenges, learning/teaching moments -- that has led you to this next level of training and experience.

Application Cover Sheet

Theater at Mason Scholarship Program

Name ________________________________  G# ________________________________
Address ______________________________  GPA or Rank _______________________
Phone numbers ________________________  Email address ______________________
Date of Interview for the Theater Major _________  □ (check here if Interview has yet to occur)

Please include a separate letter addressing financial need.

Please maintain a current FAFSA on file with Mason’s financial aid office. For more information, visit http://financialaid.gmu.edu