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AMERICA SECTION

As our President has said, time flies both when your having fun as when you're not. Another school year and another slate of seasons. American Theatre which publishes seasons for LORT and other professional theatres around the country comments that this season represents the most women playwrights. Not counting Shakespeare, the

EDITOR'S CORNER

USITT - Heart of America Regional Section Announces its 3rd Annual Regional Conference and Expo!

Dec. 10, 2005

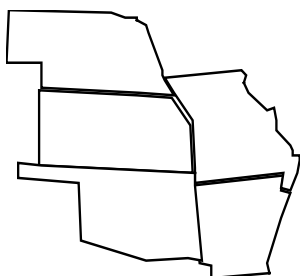
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As you all know time flies when you're having fun and sometimes even when you not. We have new officers, we're preparing for an even bigger and better HOA conference in December, we applied for and received an IRS tax number so we can accept member registrations from state and federal government agencies, membership is moving up, we're exploring ways to connect with ACTF and we're doing our own Star Search (OK it's dated) for two lucky travel grant recipients. . . Things are a happening in the Heart of America.

Included in this newsletter is information on both the HOA travel grants to the USITT national conference and our third annual conference. Noteworthy at this years conference will be not only the great sessions on Audio, AutoCAD, and new set, costume and prop materials and resources but also the stage rigging workshop by a man who has been one of the leaders in the field for many years, Bill Sapsis. This should make for another extraordinary event. Please spread the word and let us know if you are interested in helping in any way.

The travel grants are a terrific element of HOA. It's almost like free money. Although we've got the cash to give, we've had trouble finding applicants and have not always given the grants. I think it's a great opportunity for theater technicians to attend the USITT conference and would very much appreciate any help you can give in spreading the word to students and young professionals.

Please feel free to contact me directly if you would like to volunteer or have questions, comments or suggestions about HOA. I can be reached at 402-472-4700 or at dstratman1@unl.edu. I look forward to seeing you at the conference in December.



WIN A FREE TRIP TO LOUISVILLE USITT 2006 NATIONAL CONFERENCE

27 March-1 April 2006*

*USITT Heart Of America Section offers

TWO \$500 Theatre Production Student Travel Grants.

Grant money may be used for travel to and from Louisville and / or conference fees or lodging. Travel Grants may be awarded to not more than two persons from 1)Graduate, 2)Undergraduate or 3)Young Professional categories, from within the HOA region boundaries (Arkansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas, and Nebraska) at the time of application. Applicants need not be current members of USITT (conference registration for non-members includes one year USITT membership.)

Grants are awarded to those who have demonstrated excellence and dedication in Theatre Production. Areas include, but are not limited to; costume, set or properties construction, sound engineering, lighting technology, rigging, stage management, or run crew management.

This is not a design award! There are design awards available from other organizations, these awards are limited to Theatre Production. If a particular design incorporates techniques not normally used or uniquely applied, it may still be eligible.

Applicants will submit:

1. Letter of application
2. Letter of nomination from their supervisor and / or mentor
3. Documentation of current enrollment or employment within the HOA region boundaries
4. One page theatre résumé
5. One - two page description of involvement in a particular theatre production project completed within the last 18 months, plus documentation (photographs, draftings, cue sheets, etc.) Applications are judged on quality not quantity.
6. Travel Grant recipients are expected to give a brief (5 minute) presentation at the HOA section meeting during the Louisville conference.
7. Receipts for travel, lodging and/or conference fees for reimbursement up to \$500.

Send application packet to:

HOA / USITT Theatre Production Travel Grants
C/O Mark Putman Theatre & Dance, Craig 355
Missouri State University
901 S. National Ave.
Springfield, MO 65897

Applications will be accepted until 5:00 PM 11 November 2005.

If you would like materials returned to you, you must include self-addressed packaging with sufficient postage.

Winners will be notified by 12 December 2005.

USITT HEART OF AMERICA SECTION

Kennedy Center

American College Theatre Festival Region V

(Region V includes parts of both USITT Heart Of America and Northern Boundry Sections)

Design/Tech/Production Competitions

David L. Thayer Lighting Design Workshop/Awards

Barbizon Award for Excellence in Theatrical Design (scenery, lighting, costumes)

Regional Design Exposition (scenery, lighting, costumes, sound, stage management, graphics)

Mehron Makeup Exhibit and Award

Tech Expo Rules and Information:

Arden Weaver

Associate Dean, School of Fine Arts

220 Humanities

University Of Minnesota, Duluth

Office: 218.726.8780

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Online Entry Form and additional rules and information:

<http://www.kcactf.org>

What's Playing In HOA?

ARKANSAS

Arkansas State University, Jonesboro

After Juliet, Oct. 1, 4, 5

The Importance of Being Earnest, Nov. 11-13, 15-16

Sideman, Feb. 10-11, 14-15

The Boys From Syracuse, Apr. 7-8, 11-12

University Of Arkansas, Fayetteville

Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf? Sept 30, Oct 12,,5-9

Big Love, Nov. 11-13, 16-20

The Night of the Iguana Feb. 10-12, 15-19

2 AM (Alpha Male) Mar. 8-12

Into The Woods, Apr. 27-30

University Of Arkansas, Little Rock

The Comedy of Errors, Nov. 15-20

Spunk, Feb. 14-19

The Chekhov Project, Apr. 25-30

University Of Central Arkansas

Les Liaisons Dangereuses, Oct. 14-16, 26-28

Festival of One Acts, Dec. 5-8

The Cadron Company, Jan 20-21

Three Penny Opera, Apr. 13-15

KANSAS

Coffeyville Community College

Rubber Chicken Factory Improv, Sept 12, Oct 17

Greater Tuna, Oct. 21

Beauty and the Beast, Nov. 10-12

Ismene, Feb. 9-11

Trice, Mar. 2-4

I Swear by the Eyes of Oedipus, May 4-6

Emporia State University

The Cocanuts Oct 20-23

A Bright Room Called Day, Nov. 16-19

Marcus Is Walking, Dec. 1-3

Urinetown, Mar. 1-4, 8-11

Arms and the Man, Apr. 26-30

What's Playing In HOA?

Kansas State University
Oleanna, Oct. 13-15, 19-22

Pippin, Nov. 17-20

Winterdance, Dec. 1-3

The Underpants, Feb. 2-4, 8-11

A Little Night Music, Mar. 2-4, 8-11

Springdance, Apr. 7-8

Metamorphoses, Apr. 20-22, 26-29

University of Kansas

Jacques Brel Is Alive and Well and Living in Paris,
Sept 16-18, 21-25

Three Sisters, Oct. 3-11

Popcorn Oct 28-30, Nov. 3-5

An Army of One, Nov. 14-20

The Snow Queen, Dec. 2-8

The Short Tree and the Bird Who Could Not Sing,
Jan. 30-Feb. 10

A Congress of Women, Mar. 9-17

Student Play Festival, Apr. 6-15

The Marriage of Figaro, Apr. 28, 30, May 4, 6

Wichita State University

The Last Hotel Fro Women, Oct. 13-16

1940's Radio Hour, Nov. 30-Dec. 4

Noises Off, Mar. 16-19

The Tempest, May 4-7

Missouri

Central Missouri State University

Macbeth, Oct 4-8

Escape From Central Park Zoo, Nov. 3-5

Over The River and Through The Woods, Dec. 7-11

Anton In Show Business, Feb. 14-18

The Crucible, Apr. 18-22

Drury University

Working, Oct. 6-8, 20-22

Sylvia, Nov. 10-12, 17-19

Henry IV, Mar. 2-4, 9-11

A.L.I.C.E.

Stroller Wars

Missouri Southern State University

The Diviners, Sept. 13-17

Faena Oct. 11-15

Excalibur Dec. 3-4

The Water Children, Jan. 24-28

A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum,
Mar. 8-11

Who's Afraid Of The Big Bad Wolf, Apr. 22-23

Northwest Missouri State University

The Diviners, Sept. 29-Oct. 2

Buried Child, Oct. 13-14

Twelfth Night, Nov. 10-13

Evening of Ives, Feb. 8

Ah, Wilderness, Mar. 2-5

Same Time Next Year, Mar. 6-7

Women and Wallace, Apr. 13-14

Southeast Missouri State University

The Diary Of Anne Frank, Oct. 1-2, 7-10

Transitions Dance Concert, Nov. 18-20

Picasso At The Lapine Agile, Feb. 18-19, 24-27

Guys And Dolls, Apr. 5-10

Missouri State University

Beguiled Again, 22-25 Sept.-2 Oct.

Merchant Of Venice, Oct 27-30, Nov. 1-2

In A Room Somewhere, Dec. 1-4

Hedda Gabler, Feb. 23-25, 27-28

Grand Hotel, Apr. 6-9, 11-12

Spring Dance, May 4-7

University of Missouri

Shape Up, Sept. 15-18

Talking Pictures, Oct. 11-16

Under The Shadow Of The Sword, Nov. 3-5, 10-13

Incorruptible, Dec. 1-4

Jukebox, Jan. 26-29, Feb. 2-5

The Witches Quorum, Jan 26-29, Feb. 2-5

Intimate Apparel, Feb. 21-26

Vieux Carre, Mar. 16-19, 21-23

Nickel and Dimed, Apr. 25-30

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What's Playing In HOA?

University Of Missouri, Kansas City
The Importance of Being Earnest, Sept 24-Oct. 2
The Darker Face of the Earth, Nov. 5-13
The Maid's Tragedy, Oct. 26-30
The Trial, Feb 4
Tape, Mar. 22
Black Snow, Apr. 12
Retail Theatre Festival of N.O.W. Apr.

Washington University
Hair, Oct. 7-9, 14-16
Escape From Happiness, Nov. 11-13, 18-20
Reach/Rebound, Dec. 2-4
IPI Zombi, Jan. 27-29, Feb. 3-5
Much Ado About Nothing, Feb. 24-26, Mar. 3-5
Young Choreographers, Mar 30-Apr. 1
Violet, Apr. 21-22, 27, 29

Nebraska
Creighton University
Summer and Smoke, Oct. 6-9, 13-15

Nebraska Wesleyan University
The Night Thoreau Spent In Jail, Sept.30, Oct.2, 6, 8

University of Nebraska, Lincoln
The Wonder of the World, Oct 6-15
The Seagull, Nov. 11 -19
Wiley and the Hairy Man, Jan 26 - Feb 4
The Learned Ladies, March 2 -11
Fires in the Mirror, April 13 - 22

University of Nebraska, Omaha
Hombody/Kabul, Sept. 22-25

Smash, Oct. 6-8, 12-15
Mother Courage and Her Children, Nov. 17-19, 30-
Dec. 3
Tartuffe, Feb. 23-25, Mar. 2-4
Arabian Nights, Apr. 13-15, 19-22

Oklahoma
Oklahoma City University
All My Sons, Sept. 29-Oct 2
And Then They Came For Me, Oct. 28-29
Kids Say The Darrest Things, Dec. 1-4
Caucasian Chalk Circle, Feb. 2-5
William's Widow, Feb. 23-26
Noises Off, Apr. 6-9

Oklahoma State University
Spike Heels, Oct. 4-7, 9
The Visit, Nov. 16-20
Playboy of The Western World, Feb. 22-26
Crazy For You, Apr. 19-23

University Of Oklahoma
Marat/Sade, Sept 22-25, 28-Oct 2
Urinetown, Oct. 21-23, 28-30
Enchanted April, Nov. 10-13, 16-20
OK Festival Ballet, Dec. 1-4, 8-10
Macbeth, Dec. 7-11
Young Choreographers, Jan. 26-29
Noises Off, Feb. 17-19, 23-26
Equus, Mar. 1-5
Pal Joey, Mar. 31-Apr. 2, 7-9
Twelfth Night, Apr. 20-23, 26-30
Contemporary Dance OK, May 4-6

President: Dan Stratman - (second and final term ending 2007)
Vice President Membership: William Nix (term 2005 - 07)
Vice President Programming: Brad Reissig (filling vacant post 2004 - 2006)
Treasurer: Pat Atkinson (in ? term and hopefully not final, 2004-06)
Secretary: Pat Immel (secretary 2004 - 06) Newsletter Editor & Travel Grant Chair: Mark Putman

Due to term limits we'll soon have a couple of vacancies on the board. Please think about how you can help the HOA by serving as an officer. It can be fun to be involved with these terrific people, your work is valuable and appreciated and it looks great on a resume.

HOA OFFICERS

What's Playing In HOA Professional Theatres?

Arkansas Arts Center Childrens's Theatre,
 Red Badge of Courage, Oct. 11-15
 Legend of Robin Hood, Oct. 28-Nov. 13
 The Adventures of Paddington Bear, Dec. 2-18
 The Mad Science Fair, Feb. 3-19
 African Tales, Feb. 21-25
 The Emperor's New Clothes, Mar. 31-Apr. 16
 Picasso At The Lapine Agile, Apr. 25-29
 The Frog Prince, May 5-21

Arkansas Repertory Theatre, Little Rock
 Steel Magnolias, Sept. 9-25
 Of Mice And Men, Oct. 14-30
 Disney's Beauty and the Beast, Dec. 2-Jan. 1
 Crowns, Jan. 27-Feb. 19
 Bad Dates, Mar. 3-13
 Tuesdays With Morrie, Mar. 10-26
 The Retreat From Moscow, Apr. 14-30
 Intimate Apparel, Apr. 21-May 7
 A Chorus Line, Jun. 2-25

William Inge Center for the Arts, Independence, KS
 24-Hour Plays, Oct. 8
 William Inge Theatre Festival, Apr. 26-29

The Coterie, Kansas City, MO
 The Watsons Go To Birmingham, 1963. -Oct. 23
 Stuart Little, Oct. 15-Dec. 30
 The Witch of Blackbird Pond, Jan. 24-Feb. 10
 The Search for Odysseus, Mar. 7-Apr. 2
 Geppetto and Son, Jun. 27-Aug. 6

Kansas City Repertory Theatre, MO
 Man And Superman, Sept. 23-Oct. 16
 Give'Em Hell, Harry, Oct. 7-Nov. 6
 A Christmas Carol, Nov. 19-Dec. 26
 A Raisin In The Sun, Fan. 20-Feb 12
 Hank Williams: Lost Highway, Feb. 25-Mar. 19

The Trip To Bountiful, Apr. 28-May 21
 Room Service, Jun. 2-25

Metro Theatre Company, St. Louis, MO
 Salt and Pepper, - Nov. 22
 Long Road To Freedom, Oct. 10-Apr. 30
 Stix and Stonz, Dec. 9-Apr. 30
 Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse, Jan. 21-29
 Beowulf, Mar. 4-12

Repertory Theatre Of St. Louis
 Cat On A Hot Tin Roof, Sept. 7-Oct. 7
 Take Me Out, Sept. 21-Oct. 9
 A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum,
 Oct. 12-Nov. 11
 Bug, Oct. 19-Nov. 6
 Completely Hollywood (Abridged), Oct. 26-Nov. 3
 This Is Our Youth, Nov. 16-Dec. 4
 All The Great Books (Abridged), Nov. 30-Dec. 30
 I Am My Own Wife, Jan. 4-Feb. 3
 Yellowman, Jan. 18-Feb. 5
 Henry IV, Feb. 8-Mar. 10
 Humble Boy, Mar. 22-Apr. 9
 Witness For The Prosecution, Mar. 15 -Apr. 14

St. Louis Black Repertory Company, MO
 Caroline, or Change, Jan. 4-29
 King Hedley II, Feb. 8-Mar. 5
 Before It Hits Home, Mar. 15-Apr. 9
 Relativity, Apr. 19 -May 4
 Dream Girls, May 24-July 2

Unicorn Theatre, Kansas City, MO
 The Retreat From Moscow, Oct. 21-Nov. 13
 Painted Alice, Dec. 2-31
 Frozen, Jan. 20-Feb. 12
 Crowns, Mar. 10-Apr. 2
 Next Of Kin, Apr. 28.-May 21

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HOA Mini Conference Tentative Schedule Saturday 10 December 2005

Time		Session	Session	Session	Session
8:30-9:00	Registration				
9:00-9:15	Opening Remarks				
9:15-11:00					
11:00-12:00		Box Lunch Provided with Registration			
12:00-1:00		Exhibit Time Only			
1:00-2:20					
2:40-4:00					
4:00-4:30		Exhibit Time Only			
4:30-5:00		Load-Out			
5:30-		See Conference Web Site for possible evening events http://www.unl.edu/prodmgr/HOA/main.htm			

Renew or Become A Member of USITT / HOA

Last Name	First Name	Date	
Title	Organization Name		
Address			
City	State	Zip	
Work Phone	Fax	Dues Included	
E-Mail Address	Production / Design Speciality	New	1yr. \$12 _____
		Renew	2yr. \$24 _____
			3yr. \$30 _____

Check Payable to USITT/HOA, Renewals due by Jan. 1. Mail Membership to: Patrick Atkinson, Treasurer, 129 Fine Arts Building, University Of Missouri, Columbia, MO 5

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