

2019 Ohio Educational Theatre Conference
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 Akron School for the Arts at Firestone CLC – March 29-31, 2019
CONFERENCE INFO SHEET

WHO CAN ATTEND

The Ohio Educational Theatre Conference (EdTA Ohio) is an educational event, exclusively for high school students, their teachers, and adult chaperones. Troupe Directors or their designees must attend the entire conference with their delegates. All students must be chaperoned by an adult (21 or older) for the entire weekend. EdTA Ohio requests that there be at least one chaperone per ten students. Any adult that plans to attend conference in any capacity must be registered as a delegate or chaperone. There is no charge for adults who will be present for only load in or strike but they are still required to register.

During the conference, chaperones will be scheduled to help staff activities over the course of the weekend. These activities include our info table, individual events, tech challenge, hall monitor, etc. There is a place on the registration form to indicate your preferred work location. Please note that due to the nature of the conference, we are unable to accept time slot requests. In appreciation of your work, chaperones and troupe directors enjoy a reduced registration fee.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Beginning Thursday, November 15, schools may register at <http://ohedta.org/thescon>. The Early Bird deadline is Monday, February 11 at 11:59 PM. Final deadline is Wednesday, March 20 at 11:59PM.

<u>Early Bird Registrations</u> <u>11/15 thru 2/11/19</u>	<u>Standard Registration</u> <u>2/12/19 thru 3/20/19</u>	<u>At the Door Registration</u>
Troupe Director: \$ 60.00 Chaperone: \$ 60.00 High School Delegate: \$85.00	Troupe Director: \$ 85.00 Chaperone: \$ 85.00 High School Delegate: \$ 95.00	Troupe Director: \$ 100.00 Chaperone: \$ 100.00 High School Delegate: \$ 110.00
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Registration costs include: access to show tickets, Saturday lunch and dinner, and a conference T-shirt.	Registration costs include: access to show tickets and Saturday lunch and dinner.	Registration costs include: access to show tickets and Saturday lunch and dinner.

Specialty Registrations

Orchestra Members
11/15/18 thru 3/1/19

This registration should only be used for orchestra members that only want to play in their show's pit and not participate in any other conference activities. Registration includes: pass to play in their show's orchestra. This registration is NOT VALID for any other conference activities.

Show Load In / Load Out Crew Members
11/15/18 thru 3/1/19

This registration should only be used for crew members that only want to load in and load out their show and not participate in any other conference activities. Registration includes: pass to load in and load out their show. This registration is NOT VALID for any other conference activities and does not grant a seat for their school's show.

Bus Drivers
11/15/18 thru 3/1/19

This registration should only be used for school bus drivers that do not wish to participate in any conference activities. Registration includes: Saturday lunch and dinner.

SEE THE SHOWS

The Ohio Thespian State Conference offers an exciting opportunity to see many different shows from around the state.

ALL OHIO SHOW

Each year, students from across the state audition and interview to be part of the All-Ohio Show. This year's show, *Carrie: The Musical*, will be presented twice on Friday evening.

TROUPE PRODUCTIONS

Shows range from full length to 45-minute cuttings. Titles will be announced in late February.

SHOW TICKETS

All performances, and some workshops, require a general admission ticket to be admitted to the show. These tickets are available on a first-come, first-serve basis via online registration. Each troupe director will receive an email with specific instructions for ordering tickets for the shows at Conference. Due to the limited amount of tickets, and to give all schools as much of a chance as possible, we have limited the amount of tickets each school is able to reserve:

- No school can order more than 10 percent of total venue tickets for any show.
- No school can order more than 10 percent of their delegation size for their own show.
- Schools cannot request more tickets than their delegation size for shows in the same time slot. For example, if you have 30 students, you cannot request more than 30 total tickets for all shows that start within an hour of each other.
- Schools are limited to two tickets per ticketed workshop.

In addition, 10 percent of the total tickets for each show will be put aside at the ticket booth. These will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis starting at 4:30 PM on Friday.

OTHER CONFERENCE OPPORTUNITIES

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

Individual Events (IEs) give students an opportunity to receive a rating and feedback from theatre professionals. IEs are available in performance categories as well as technical categories, and any registered delegate is eligible to participate. Each troupe may send only one entry per category and each student may participate in one event only. Categories include: Monologue, Duet Acting, Group Acting, Solo Musical Theatre, Duet Musical Theatre, Group Musical Theatre, Solo Musical Theatre Dance, Duet Musical Theatre Dance, Group Musical Theatre Dance, Solo Mime, Duet Mime, Costume Design, Costume Construction, Scene Design, Lighting Design, Sound Design, Theatre Marketing, Properties Design, Stage Management, Playwright, and Short Film.

Registration is \$5.00 per delegate. IE registration is completed electronically at: <http://ohedta.org/IEregistration>
For more information on IEs please visit: <http://ohedta.org/thescon>. IE registration deadline is **Friday, February 8, 2019**.

TECH CHALLENGE

Saturday night, teams of six students compete for prizes in events such as prop building with DUCT tape, costume quick change, lighting fixture focus, and drop folding, just to name a few. There is a registration cost of \$ 10.00 per team. A school is allowed one team of six students. See <http://ohedta.org/thescon> for more information. The deadline to register for tech challenge is **Friday, February 8, 2019**.

GUIDEBOOK

In effort to run a more environmentally friendly conference, and to help keep you updated with changes that occur throughout the weekend, EdTA Ohio used the mobile app Guidebook. This is a free app that can be downloaded to any Android or iOS device. We strongly suggest that all delegates download Guidebook before attending conference. Please remember that all electronic devices do need to be turned OFF during all performances. We will also have a limited amount of printed schedules for use during the weekend. Guidebook will be available a week prior to the opening night of conference.

BOB FOSE SCHOLARSHIPS

EdTA Ohio awards the Bob Fose scholarship in honor of Bob Fose and his dedication to Ohio Thespians. The scholarship committee is looking for applicants who have demonstrated active participation as Thespians on the local and state level. Five applicants will be invited to audition before a panel of judges, including an Ohio Thespian Troupe Director, a College Representative, and a representative of the Educational Theatre Association Home Office. For more information, please visit: <http://ohedta.org/awards>. The deadline to apply is **Friday, February 8, 2019**.

GINNY CHIZER SCHOLARSHIP

EdTA Ohio awards this scholarship in the honor of Ginny Chizer and her dedication to theatre education. The scholarship committee is looking for students with the potential to be leaders in the field of theatre education. Finalists will be interviewed before a panel of judges, including an Ohio Thespian Troupe Director, a College Representative, and a representative of the Educational Theatre Association Home Office. For more information, including eligibility requirements, please visit: <http://ohedta.org/awards>. The deadline to apply is **Friday, February 8, 2019**.

JIMMY HUMPHRIES SCHOLARSHIP

EdTA awards this scholarship in the honor of Jimmy Humphries and his dedication to technical theatre. The scholarship committee is looking for students who have demonstrated active participation in technical theatre and is looking to continue with technical theatre in college. Troupe Directors may nominate one student for this scholarship. The student should not be aware that he/she has been nominated. The winner will be announced at the closing ceremonies of the Ohio Thespian Conference. Nominated students must be in attendance at closing ceremonies. Please see <http://ohedta.org/awards>. The deadline to nominate a student is **Friday, February 8, 2019**.

COLLEGE OPPORTUNITIES

This year the college representatives will be offering workshop sessions in order to work with students prior to their high-stakes college auditions. Students in grades 9-12 may attend. There will be opportunities for design students as well as for acting students. More than 20 colleges and universities will be able to meet and answer questions.

BRING A MARATHON PRODUCTION

Schools are invited to prepare a 45 minute or less cutting of a show or one act to perform during conference. These shows must be low-tech or no-tech as they will be performed in a classroom space with no lighting or sound equipment. There will be no storage space for props or costumes and no formal dressing rooms. While these shows are unscreened, schools must register the show and send a synopsis of the show at time of registration. Please bear in mind that no troupe may bring more than two performances to conference. Registration deadline is **Friday, February 8, 2019**.

CREATE A TROUPE DISPLAY

Schools are invited to bring a display relating to either this year's conference theme, *Write Your Own Destiny*, or that reflects the activities of their troupe. This is a great opportunity to display programs, photographs, portfolios, or anything that will fit within a 4'wx4'dx8't area. Schools must provide their own card table, if you require one. No electricity will be provided. The deadline to register is **Friday, February 8, 2019**.

WORKSHOPS

Over 50 different workshops are presented throughout the conference weekend. Ohio EdTA brings professionals from Ohio and beyond to present workshops on many different theatre topics. From dance and voice to theatre lighting and props made of cardboard, there is a workshop for everyone. Workshops will be listed in GUIDEBOOK.

RECOGNIZE AN OUTSTANDING ADMINISTRATOR

In an effort to recognize principals and superintendents who support theatre within their schools, Ohio EdTA has created an award to honor administrators. If you are an active troupe registered for conference and wish to nominate an administrator, please visit: <http://ohedta.org/awards>. The deadline to nominate an administrator is **Monday, February 11, 2018**.

SHUTTLE BUSES

For an additional \$20 per delegate, schools may take advantage of our shuttle bus service to and from the hotels listed below.

On Friday, schools should be dropped off at the conference by their home school bus, after checking in at the hotel. The shuttle bus will take delegates to the hotel at the end of the evening. On Saturday, the shuttles will take delegates to the conference at a designated time. Please note that due to early IE and scholarship times, this could be as early as 7 AM. Shuttles will drop back off at the hotel at the end of the evening. On Sunday, buses will take delegates and their luggage to the conference at a designated time. Please arrange with your school bus to be picked up at Akron School for the Arts at Firestone CLC.

Registration for the shuttle bus is done at time of registration. Deadline to sign up for the shuttle bus service is **Friday, February 8, 2019.**

CONFERENCE HOTELS

Use code: "Ohio Thespian Conference" when making reservations.

<p>Courtyard by Marriott Akron Fairlawn 100 Springside Dr, Akron, OH 44333 \$114.00 <i>Breakfast Included</i> Mr. Malcolm Moore (330) 664-6000 Malcolm.Moore@TMIHospitality.com Group rate link</p>	<p>DoubleTree by Hilton Akron/Fairlawn 3150 W Market St, Akron, OH 44333 \$109.00 <i>No Free Breakfast</i> Ms. Marissa Morris (330) 869-9000 Mairssa.morris@hilton.com</p>
<p>Fairfield Inn and Suites by Marriott Akron Fairlawn 208 Springside Dr, Akron, OH 44333 \$109.00 <i>Breakfast included</i> Mr. Malcom Moor (330) 664-6000 Malcolm.Moore@TMIHospitality.com Group rate link</p>	<p>Hampton Inn Akron Fairlawn 80 Springside Dr, Akron, OH 44333 \$104.00 <i>Breakfast Included</i> Mr. Malcom Moore (330) 664-6000 Malcolm.Moore@TMIHospitality.com Group rate link</p>
<p>Holiday Inn Akron West – Fairlawn 4073 Medina Rd, Akron, OH 44333 \$109.00 <i>Breakfast Included</i> Ms. Tami Mahoney (330) 666-4131 tmahoney@atlantichospitalitycleveland.com</p>	<p>Homewood Suites by Hilton Akron/Fairlawn 210 Springside Dr, Akron, OH 44333 \$119-124.00 <i>Breakfast Included</i> Mr. Malcom Moore (330) 664-6000 Malcolm.Moore@TMIHospitality.com Group rate link</p>