



WASHINGTON STATE THESPIANSSM

AN EDUCATIONAL THEATRE ASSOCIATION AFFILIATE

January 2022 Newsletter

Dear Theatre Educators and Friends,

Happy New Year! I hope you welcomed in 2022 with a sense of renewal and hope.

We are off to a busy start - with Thespys this month, registration for State in February, and Super State in March. Don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions along the way.

THESPYS - REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS RAPIDLY APPROACHING

Hopefully your students are preparing their materials and beginning the recording process. All Thespy submissions will be online via our Openwater platform. Please click the link below for all the instructions on how to navigate this system.

[Thespys Information](#)

We STRONGLY urge you to make your student deadline February 1st, as the troupe director needs to submit the final registration by the deadline. Our Theatre Teacher Gathering on Tuesday, January 25th will focus on supporting the Thespy registration process.

FINAL Submission Deadline is February 3rd!

THEATRE TEACHER CONNECTION -

The WA State Board has been hosting monthly teacher meetings. Join us on Tuesday, January 25th for help with Thespys Registration.

[ZOOM MEETING LINK](#)

Future dates:

February 22

April 26

May 24

SUPER STATE

This year we will be hosting our State Festival in 3 different locations on Saturday,

March 26th. You can choose the location that best fits your school's needs. Each location will have National Teaching Artists, Local Teaching Artists, opportunities to bring WIPS ("Works in Progress") and cuttings from your own productions. Students can expect to experience excellent learning, networking, and showcasing opportunities!

More information can be found at:

<https://www.wathespians.org/washingtonstatethespianfestival2022>

Registration information will be available by the end of January

JUNIOR THESPIANS

Hey, Junior Thespians! Big news! Junior Thespians are INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THESPYS THIS YEAR! To learn more about Thespys and how to participate, please go to: <https://www.wathespians.org/thespys> You can also contact Julie Olsen, Junior Regional Festival Coordinator at jolsen@asbschool.org. Don't miss this amazing opportunity to share your work!

WANT TO BE A PART OF THIS TEAM?

If you are interested in joining our State Thespian Board, you can apply to be a part of the Working Board, supporting our efforts and events! [APPLY HERE](#)

WEBSITE

Our fantastic board member, Bryan Sullivan has revamped our Washington State Thespians Website for a new and easier experience. **Please note that our domain has also changed.** You can find an abundance of information by visiting: <https://www.wathespians.org/>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS for 2021-2022

We have created a Google Calendar of all our meetings, events, and deadlines. Feel free to add this to your own Google Calendar.

[WA STATE THESPIANS CALENDAR](#)

IMPORTANT DATES:

February 3 - Thespy Submission DEADLINE

March 1 - State Festival Registration DUE

March 26 - SUPER STATE (3 locations to choose from)

The more you go to a theatre and the more you hear stories you aren't necessarily familiar with, the more open you become.

Lynn Nottage

Sincerely,

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