



WASHINGTON STATE THESPIANSSM

AN EDUCATIONAL THEATRE ASSOCIATION AFFILIATE

September 2022 Newsletter

Welcome back Theatre Educators and Friends,

I'm excited to share all the great plans we have in store for this new year. This newsletter is bursting with information. As always, don't hesitate to reach out if you have questions or thoughts. We are here to serve and support you!

VISIT OUR WEBSITE!

Our fantastic board member, Bryan Sullivan continues to maintain our website to be user friendly. You can find an abundance of information by visiting:

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS for 2022-2023

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](#)

Sept 28 - Oct 1, 2022 - EdTA National Conference
Oct 8, 2022 - Teacher In-Service / Student Leadership
Oct 29, 2022 - INTAF
Dec 14, 2022 - Thespy Registration DUE*
Jan 14, 2023 - Regional Thespy SW & East
Jan 21, 2023 - Regional Thespy NW
Feb 2, 2023 - State Festival Registration DUE
Mar 17 - 18, 2023 - State Thespian Festival
June 19 - 23, 2023 - ITF: International Thespian Festival

HELPFUL Guide to plan your year:

Here is a checklist created by Greg Pschirrer to help you stay organized throughout the year: [2022-2023 Thespian Event Checklist](#)

STO (State Thespian Officer) News

Meet our new STO: <https://www.wathespians.org/state-thespian-officers>

STUDENT LEADERSHIP WORKSHOPS

Saturday, October 8 at Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma
\$30 / Thespians; \$40 for FUTURE Thespians

Bring up to **TWO** student leaders to our Student Leadership Workshop led by our STO and Pacific Lutheran University staff and students. Space is limited; if you have additional students interested in attend, please email kcummins@osd.wednet.edu after registration closes to see if there is room.

Flyer

Registration Information - You can choose pay with PO and bring a check to the event, or pay via card at registration. Registration deadline is September 23rd. (While the website says EDT, we are operating on PST)

TEACHER INSERVICE / PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT! - Saturday, October 8 at Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma

CLOCK HOURS AVAILABLE!

\$30 / Thespian Troupe Directors; \$40 for FUTURE Thespian Troupe Directors

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INTAF (Inland Northwest Theatre Arts Festival)

Saturday, October 29th - Ferris High School (Spokane)

INTAF is a festival designed for student and teacher engagement and enrichment in theatre arts. Students and teachers attend workshops with professional Teaching Artists on a variety of performance and tech topics. Schools can also bring 10 minute WIP (Work-in-Progress) cuttings of an upcoming production and students can audition for showcase opportunities at the Closing Ceremonies.

For more information visit: intafonline.com

THESPYS - DEADLINES & CHANGES!

Please note our earlier deadline (December 14) for registration for Thespy. This includes FILM, PLAYWRITING, and DIRECTING. Students will need to upload their completed projects by **December 14th**. You may wish to encourage your students to get started now!

Follow this link to find all the information for Thespy:[INFO](#)

Playwriting Rules - Updated

Musical Theatre DANCE added- Solo, Duet, and Group options.

Directing - WA State is one of 6 states Beta Testing this new Thespy. You won't find this information on the Thespy site, you'll need to go to the WA Thespian site; we've also linked the information below:

- [Category Rules](#)
- [Rubric](#)

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](#)

WRAPPING IT UP

Congratulations for making it through to the end of this lengthy email!

Have a wonderful new year!! As always, don't hesitate to ask if you have any questions.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH:

“Suit the action to the word, the word to the action, with this special observance, that you o'erstep not the modesty of nature: for any thing o'erdone is from the purpose of playing, whose end, both at the first and now, was and is, to hold as 'twere the mirror up to nature: to show virtue her feature, scorn her own image, and the very age and body of the time his form and pressure.”

William Shakespeare, Hamlet Act 3, scene 2

Sincerely,

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