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TRINITY REP'S WRITE HERE! WRITE NOW! PLAY COMPETITION NOW ACCEPTING ENTRIES

High school students encouraged to submit until March 19

PROVIDENCE, RI: Trinity Rep's eighth annual playwriting competition for New England High School students, **Write Here! Write Now!**, is now accepting entries. Students are asked to compose an original ten-minute play and submit it via the online application form. Winning plays will be performed at Trinity Rep during a free public reading. Submission guidelines as well as additional resources for bringing playwriting into the classroom with curriculum guides and a playwriting class are available in partnership with **School One** for teens. More information is at www.trinityrep.com/whwn. The submission deadline is **March 19, 2019**.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Write Here! Write Now! is presented each year as part of the "Beyond Trinity Rep" Community Education movement at the organization. Creative writing, English, and theater teachers are asked by Trinity Rep's education department to assign a ten-minute play as a part of their classroom curriculum. All completed plays are then submitted - free of charge - to the Write Here! Write Now! competition. Resources for teachers, including a study guide for bringing the Write Here! Write Now! curriculum into the classroom are available on Trinity Rep's website.

Trinity Rep, in partnership with **School One** will also host a **Playwriting Class** for teens which teaches the process of writing a script for the stage and concludes with submission to the play competition. For more information, or to sign up for the class, visit www.trinityrep.com/whwn.

"We've found that giving high school students the opportunity to write for the stage has been an exciting way to engage their creativity in a form that can feel more authentic, immediate, and true to their experience,"



says **Matthew Tibbs**, school partnerships manager and teaching artist at Trinity Rep. “It’s our hope that students gain some insights while writing from different perspectives.”

RECOGNITION

Scripts are adjudicated through a blind evaluation process by Trinity Rep’s education, artistic, and literary staff. Each play that is submitted will receive feedback to enhance the playwriting experience.

Four winners are selected with **at least one winner from a Providence, RI high school** for a public performance of their script. In addition to seeing their plays performed on Trinity Rep’s stage, winners also receive a scholarship towards any Trinity Rep Young Actors Studio afterschool class and 20 free tickets to a Project Discovery student matinee performance during the 2019-20 Season for their school.

Each award-winning student will have their ten-minute play presented by professional actors at a staged reading at Trinity Rep on **May 21, 2019**, a free event open to the public. More information on Trinity Rep’s education programs or the Write Here! Write Now! Event is at www.trinityrep.com/whwn.

TRINITY REPERTORY COMPANY

Rhode Island’s Tony Award-winning theater, Trinity Rep has created unparalleled professional theater for and with its community since its founding in 1963. Trinity Rep strives to facilitate human connection and has been a driving force behind the creativity that fuels and defines the region for more than 50 years.

Trinity Rep is committed to reinventing the public square and inspiring dialogue by creating emotionally-stimulating live productions that range from classical to contemporary and innovative education programs for all ages and abilities. Its annual production of *A Christmas Carol* has brought families together for 41 years and made memories for over a million audience members.

The 2018-19 Season includes *Pride & Prejudice* by Kate Hamill, *black odyssey* by Marcus Gardley, a special limited-engagement of *An Iliad* by Lisa Peterson and Denis O’Hare, *Macbeth* by William Shakespeare, *The Song of Summer* by Lauren Yee, *Little Shop of Horrors* with book and lyrics by Howard Ashman and music by Alan Menken, and José Rivera’s *Marisol*.



For more information on our 2018-19 Season, call the box office at (401) 351-4242 or visit Trinity Rep's website at www.TrinityRep.com.