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THE-WRITE-STUFF

The First Annual Playwriting Competition for Youth

Submissions open April 1, 2021! www.infinitheatre.com

Every fall, Infinithéâtre will present 5-8 of the best new plays by English Quebec playwrights ages 12 to 18, chosen from a Quebec-wide competition. Winning playwrights are provided mentoring and direction from industry professionals to help prepare their work for public reading performance and hone their skills, talent and confidence. The winning playwrights will see their vision come to life on stage in a professional staged reading featuring some of Montreal's best actors from film, television and theatre. The First Prize Winner will receive \$500.

The Festival will play a critical role in training and supporting the next generation of theatre artists in Quebec. There are no submission fees for this program. This competition is unique in Canada. While there may be other young playwright contests, **THE-WRITE-STUFF** differs from the rest in two ways:

1) We fully produce a staged reading of the winning plays, and 2) We provide the playwrights a professional experience from beginning to end; they are never considered students, they are the playwrights. T-W-S plays will play a critical role in training and supporting the next generation of theatre artists in Quebec. These kids are the future of the theatre. If we don't support their work today, we won't have a generation of artists tomorrow.

RULES

DEADLINE: Plays, monologues or musicals must be submitted online, e-mailed by June 15, 2021.

FEES: There are no fees for submitting your work to the Festival.

ELIGIBILITY: Playwrights must be 18 years old or younger on June 15, 2021; co-written plays are allowed, provided all writers meet age requirement.

CONTENT: Original plays, monologues or musicals on any subject between 5 and 20 minutes. Plays must be written in majority English.

LIMIT: 1 play per playwright or playwright team.

FORMAT: All plays must have numbered script pages.

COVER SHEET: Along with play script(s), submissions must include a Cover Sheet with: Title, Playwright Name, Playwright Date of Birth (with year), Age, School Name (if applicable), E-Mail Address, Contact Phone Number, Mailing Address.

NO RETURNS: Scripts will not be returned.

NOTIFICATION: We will contact Festival Competition winners in September 2021.

PERFORMANCE: Winning plays will be given a staged reading by professional actors at a Montreal venue TBA in December 2021.

SUBMIT BY E-MAIL: Send play(s) and cover sheet as PDF with play title in subject line to: **plays@infinitheatre.com** (You can also write **Oren Safdie** with any questions.)

Infinithéâtre's annual Playwriting Competition for Youth will bring attention to Montreal as an important creator of new theatrical artists and work, give young people a chance to have their unique voices heard in a professional setting, and give audiences a glimpse into these young hearts and minds — as well as the thrill of seeing future Award Winning Artists in their first professional productions.