



MSDG Costume Design Contest



Calling all costumers! The Drama Guild invites any Massachusetts student to submit a series of costume designs for this year's new contest..

Any Massachusetts student in grades 9 – 12 is eligible for the design contest. The rules are simple.

- The applicant's design concept must be original and its rendering must be exclusively his or her own work.
- Designs are to be illustrated on 11" x 17" paper in color using the medium of your choice.
- Submit one costume design for each of four (4) separate characters that appear in one scene/act of a play of your choice. Designs may have a clear overlay to show a coat or outerwear.
- Designs should have actual swatches of fabric to be used in making the costume.
- Designer should be able to explain why he/she chose the design and color for the particular scene.

Judging:

Design applicants will present their entries in person on the day of the contest competition in December. Judges will interview design applicants; however, due to time constraints, judges will not give oral or written critiques. Judging will be based on the quality of the design's concept and execution, its originality, and its appropriateness to the selected play.

Further information regarding the contest day's schedule will be provided at a later date.

Prizes:

The winning set of designs will receive a cash prize and be on display at The Boston Globe State Drama Festival Finals.

Fees:

Member schools may sponsor up to five designers at no cost. Additional designers may be sponsored with payment of a \$10.00 entry fee per student. Non-member schools may submit designs with payment of a \$15.00 entry fee per applicant.

Application Deadlines:

The "Costume Design Application Form," signed by both the applicant and the sponsoring teacher, must be postmarked by the appropriate application deadline and sent to the address listed on the form. Applications postmarked after that date will not be accepted. **The application deadline is November 1.**

Contest Date and Location:

The costume design contest will be held on Saturday, December 5, 2009 at **St. John's Preparatory School in Danvers, MA**. In the event of a snow emergency, the contest will be held on Sunday, December 6.



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My school is _____ is not _____ a 2009–10 member of the Massachusetts High School Drama Guild.

I am registering

@ the member rate of \$10.00 per designer (first 5 entries are free) = \$_____

@ the non-member rate of \$15.00 per designer = \$_____

Student's Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City/Town: _____

Zip: _____ Social Security #: _____ Home Phone: (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

School: _____

Signature of Sponsoring Teacher _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____

- Submit an individual entry form for each participating designer.
- Students must **follow all instructions outlined in the contest rules**. Failure to comply may result in disqualification.
- **Designers are strongly encouraged to have their teacher examine their work for feedback before submitting it to the competition.**
- All fees are non-refundable.
- Entry form and payment must be postmarked by **November 1**.

Return completed form with check, payable to MHSDG, Inc., to:

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