



Overcoming Obstacles & Adversity

2012 Playwright Contest Packet

Our Annual Playwright Contest is a part of PATHS, our educational arm.



PLAYWRIGHT CONTEST 2012: ArtsView Children's Theatre is looking for ORIGINAL WORKS to be showcased in our ORIGINAL WORKS CAMP. (No adaptations.) The winning plays will be brought to life by students in this camp, receiving either fully staged productions or staged readings, and will premiere summer 2012 to the public! Submission deadline is April 2, 2012.

Camp Dates: July 16-July 27, 2012 ~ Performance Dates: July 27-28, 2012

- 1. There are 5 age categories. At least one winner per category will be selected if the play meets criteria listed below according to the judging panel's decision. (There can be collaborations. Play will be placed in the oldest person's age category.)**

***Primary (K-2nd grade): Play should run 2-5 minutes in length**

***Elementary (3rd-5th grade): Play should run 4-6 minutes in length**

***Middle School (6th-8th grade): Play should run 5-8 minutes in length**

***High School (9th-12th grade): Play should run 8-10 minutes in length**

***Adults (College and up): Play should run 8-10 minutes in length**

- 2. The title for this year's contest is:** *Mission Possible*
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The setting should be within a family context. Some examples of subject matter are family struggles, mental & physical illness, divorce, blended families, death, natural disasters, poverty, cultural differences, difficult children, difficult parents, personal struggles, job challenges, economic trouble, sibling rivalry, family crisis, etc.

- 3. Plays will be appropriate for children's theatre. Judging panel will have final decision as to whether plays are appropriate. If you have any questions as you are writing concerning this, please call ArtsView at 903.236.7535.**
- 4. Costumes, props, and sets will be minimal. *Maximum of 5 characters in play.***
- 5. Plays should be written in play format.**
- 6. Plays must be typed in a word processing document. If you have an extenuating circumstance, please call and let us know.**
- 7. To submit a work, please deliver or mail the following to ArtsView's office:**
 - a. Information Cover Sheet (you will find that in this packet)**
 - b. Title page (Title of your play and your name)**
 - c. Printed copy of your script (Will not be returned; please make a copy!)**
 - d. Copy of play on a CD (Will not be returned; please make a copy!)**
- 8. Deadline for submission is Monday, April 2, 2012. NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- 9. Winners will be listed on front door of ArtsView Children's Theatre and ArtsView's website April 9, 2012. Winners will receive a letter in the mail giving details.**

Area authors, schools, teachers, and home school communities are encouraged to participate! This is a wonderful opportunity to see original works written for children come to life through theatre!

Mail to: ArtsView Children's Theatre (Playwright Contest 2012)
313 W. Tyler Street
Longview, Texas 75601

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Information Cover Sheet

Please FULLY complete this form and attach to your script.

Today's Date: _____

Title of Play: _____

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Grade in School: _____ OR circle ADULT

School's Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Teacher's Name (if turned in by teacher): _____

Teacher's Email: _____

Principal's Name: _____

If play is a collaborative effort, please complete a cover sheet for each author.

