



## **The Plaza Theatre Scholarship given in Memory of Mrs. Jeanene D. Merka**

In an effort to promote the benefits of higher education in the field of theatre and the performing arts, the Plaza Theatre's goal is to award scholarships to worthy area high school graduates.

The scholarship will be available to the recipients as a one-time funding of \$500.00.

To be eligible, the following criteria must be met:

- Attend an accredited technical college or university located in the state of Texas.
- Have an intended major in the field of theatre, performing arts, or related field.
- Enroll as a full-time student in the fall semester immediately following high school graduation.

Applicants must complete the following application and include at least one letter of recommendation from an individual who has had direct theatre or performing arts experience with the applicant.

Applications must be postmarked by the application deadline date and sent to the following address:

The Plaza Theatre Scholarship  
Post Office Box 1067  
Wharton, Texas 77488

**Application must be postmarked by the last Friday in the month of March.**

# The Plaza Theatre Scholarship Application



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## SECTION 1: STUDENT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended College/University: \_\_\_\_\_ Intended Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted? \_\_\_\_\_ Beginning Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION 2: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Parents/Guardian(s) Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Guardian(s) Occupations: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Children in Family and Ages (other than yourself): \_\_\_\_\_

Who in your family is currently attending college (other than yourself) and where: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Employment History: \_\_\_\_\_

How do you intend to finance your education (list any scholarships you have previously been awarded):

**SECTION 3: ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

High School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA (based on 4.0 Scale): \_\_\_\_\_

Class Rank (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ in a class numbering \_\_\_\_\_ students.

Select the graduating degree plan:     Regular     Recommended     Distinguished

Standardized Test Scores: SAT: \_\_\_\_\_ ACT: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list advanced courses (advanced placement, honors, dual credit, etc.) taken:

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**SECTION 4: EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

List all of the school-based extracurricular activities you have participated in over your high school career, including all honors, awards, or offices held.

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**SECTION 5: VOLUNTEER WORK**

List any community, volunteer, or church-related work you have performed:

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**SECTION 6: ESSAY**

Applicants should prepare and attach a one-page typed, single-spaced essay describing their personality, interests, educational goals, ambitions, and financial need. Include information about your desire to obtain a degree and what has motivated you in that direction.

**SECTION 7: LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION**

Applicants should include at least one letter of recommendation from an individual who has had direct theatre or performing arts experience with the applicant.

**SECTION 8: CERTIFICATION**

I certify that the information provided on this application is accurate and complete and acknowledge that any omission or inaccurate information could jeopardize my consideration to receive the scholarship.

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_