

BOOKER T.

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THEATRE

Louise Smith Theatre Guild Scholarship Application

Purpose of the Louise Smith Theatre Guild Scholarship:

The Booker T Washington Theatre Guild will award five \$1,000 Louise Smith scholarships to BTW Theatre seniors who have exhibited high interest and involvement with Theatre Conservatory performances and activities. This scholarship may be used for tuition, housing, books or necessary supplies related to university/college expenses. The student/family may not be paid directly; all funding must be paid directly to university, housing department, or retailer. The scholarships are made possible by the Booker T Washington Theatre Guild and are named in honor of Louise Smith who was the founder and first director of the Booker T Theatre Cluster from 1976 until she retired in 2008.

Who is eligible for a Louise Smith Theatre Guild Scholarship?

- Applicant must have completed grades 9-12 at Booker T Washington High School for the Performing and Visual Arts as a Theatre Conservatory Student
- Applicant must be a graduating Senior in the Theatre Conservatory
- Applicant must have a 2.5 GPA or higher
- Applicant is planning to continue his/her education beyond high school in an accredited institution of higher education and major in theatre beginning in the fall semester immediately following graduation

General Information:

1. The Louise Smith Theatre Guild Scholarship Committee will consider the following for purposes of awarding scholarships:
 - GPA of 2.5 or higher
 - Involvement (Amount of time committed, and versatility of student across all forms of theatre art) in Theatre Conservatory productions and activities
 - Essay: 300 – 500 words
 - Recommendation Letters from Booker T Faculty/Staff
2. Scholarships will be awarded at the End-of-Year Theatre Guild Senior Awards Dinner 2021

Instructions for Submitting the Scholarship Application:

1. Complete all information on the official Louise Smith Theatre Guild Scholarship application.
2. Please type or print all information. Include your name on all pages, including the essay.
3. ENCLOSE in an envelope:
 - Completed Application
 - Theatre Resume
 - Essay –Type a **300-500 word** essay describing how your experiences and involvement in the BTW Theatre Conservatory contributed to who you are today and who you want to become tomorrow
 - **TWO** Recommendation Forms must come from staff at Booker T: One is **REQUIRED** to be written by a Theatre Conservatory Teacher (not Ms. Cogdill or Ms. Price), and one may come from another staff member at Booker T. Recommendations must be returned to the student in the attached envelope to maintain confidentiality.
 - Official high school transcript
 - Copy of Acceptance Letter from College, or Institute of Higher Learning for Fall Semester
4. **Submit application packets to Booker T Washington Counselor's office by May 12th, 2021.**

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I hereby certify that all the information on this form is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____
Guidance Counselor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please review the Instructions for Submitting the Scholarship Application on Page 1 to ensure your application materials are complete. Submit completed application packets to Booker T Washington Counselor's office by May 12th, 2021.

IF THE APPLICATION IS INCOMPLETE OR LATE, IT WILL BE DISQUALIFIED UPON SUBMISSION.

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Recommendation Form

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Student Name: _____

Student's Address: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name of Recommender: _____ Date Completed: _____

Relationship to Student: _____ Email: _____

How many years have you known the student: _____

How well do you know the student? Very Well Fairly Well Slightly

Please list three characteristics that stand out in this student:

How have you noticed the student contributing to their community?

Please share any personal examples that support why the applicant is deserving of this scholarship:

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