



James Brasington Theater Scholarship Application

INTRODUCTION

The James Brasington Theater Scholarship was established in May, 2005, by the family of James Brasington as a memorial to his life. James died in an automobile accident on April 28, 2005, south of Marshfield, Wisconsin. As a twenty year old college student, James was intending to become a professional actor, though he was devoted to all facets of theater and drama. He was a graduate of Marshfield High School and was attending the University of Wisconsin campus in Marshfield at the time of his death.

It is the purpose of this fund to provide worthy high school graduates who are committed to a career in theater and who wish to engage in advanced study at a college or university anywhere in the country the opportunity of receiving scholarship assistance. (Applicants who have already embarked on a collegiate career are also welcome to apply as a continuing or transfer college student.)

Criteria for the James Brasington Theater Scholarship are as follows:

- The applicant must be a graduating student at a high school or have graduated from a high school within a thirty mile radius of Marshfield, Wisconsin, or within the Marshfield Area Community Foundation's geographic service area (defined as including the communities of Marshfield, Chili, Granton, Neillsville, Loyal, Greenwood, Withee, Owen, Spencer, Unity, Colby, Abbotsford, Dorchester, Stetsonville, Medford, Stratford, Rozellville, Hewitt, Auburndale, Blenker, Milladore, Sherry, and Arpin.)
- The applicant must be scheduled to be enrolled as an undergraduate on a full-time basis at an accredited college or university during the next succeeding term. An accredited university or college is one which has been accredited by one of the following: Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, or the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.
- The applicant must be majoring in or intend to major in theatre arts. (Preference will be given to applicants who demonstrate a special interest and affinity for the art of acting, although other areas of theater study will also be worthy of support.)
- Financial need will be considered but shall not be the determining factor in awarding the scholarship.
- A scholarship may be renewed for up to three years (in addition to the initial scholarship) provided that the recipient maintains an academic performance satisfactory to the Scholarship Selection Committee which will review the recipient's record each year.
- Applicants must answer all questions and have asked for letters of endorsement from two adults (see application form.)
- Scholarships may be used only for tuition and fees required for attendance, and for course-related expenses (fees, books, supplies and equipment required for courses of instruction).

**James Brasington Theater Scholarship
Application Form**

Please include your name on each page and number all the pages included with your application.

Name of applicant _____

Street address _____ Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Email _____

High school from which you have graduated _____

Year of high school graduation _____ High School GPA _____ Class Rank _____

Post high school education to date (if applicable) _____

Post high school degrees/certifications earned _____

Institution you will be attending in scholarship year _____

Are you currently enrolled or have you been accepted for the coming term? _____ Yes _____ No

Why have you chosen to attend the above institution? _____

Please describe any circumstances suggesting financial need (if any) _____

Is this a first time application or a renewal? _____

(If this is a renewal OR a first time application but you are already attending a college or university, attach a copy of your most recently available college/university transcript.)

ON SEPARATE PAPER, PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS (2 PAGE LIMIT)

1. What previous academic coursework/workshops have you had in theater?
2. Provide a summary of your experience in theater production thus far.
3. What interests/experiences have led you to choose theater as a possible career?
4. Why do you feel you will be successful as a theater professional or teacher?

PLEASE ASK TWO ADULTS WHO ARE FAMILIAR WITH YOUR THEATER PRODUCTION WORK AND COMMITMENT TO A FUTURE CAREER IN THEATER TO WRITE A MAXIMUM ONE-PAGE LETTER OF ENDORSEMENT FOR YOU TO BE SELECTED AS A SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT.

Ask them to separately mail the letters to:

**Marshfield Area Community Foundation
Brasington Scholarship
PO Box 456
Marshfield, WI 54449**

NAMES OF ADULTS YOU ASKED TO WRITE LETTERS OF ENDORSEMENT:

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Applications and accompanying references must be received or postmarked no later than March 15, 2018
Scholarship Recipients will be notified.

Send completed application and all correspondence to:

***Marshfield Area Community Foundation
PO Box 456
Marshfield, WI 54449***

Phone: 715/384-9029

Email: macf@marshfieldareacommunityfoundation.org