

The Jackson County Stage Company
2021-2022 Main Stage Season
Director Application

Please note, in order to be eligible to direct a Stage Company production, applicants must:

1. *Have assistant directed a previous Stage Company production*
AND/OR
2. *Provide a detailed theatrical resume including all prior directorial experience*

Applicant Name: _____ **E-mail:** _____

Address: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Each applicant should submit 1-3 names of productions/scripts that they would be interested in directing in The Stage Company's 2021-2022 Production Season. The Play Selection Committee will then review the submitted scripts and compile a season based on the submissions by potential directors and availability of each director. We are looking for a variety of productions/scripts (plays, musicals, one acts, etc.), but we ask that you please consider our abilities, space and resources when making your submissions. For example, it would be difficult for us to produce a large-scale production of "Les Miserables" given the size of our stage. Potential directors should know that The Stage Company is always open to producing a wide variety of productions on a wide variety of subjects, which may include themes that some may find to be controversial (religion, racism and racial inequality, gender and sexual identity, behavioral and psychological disorders, political opinions and events, etc.). The Stage Company intends to proceed with its 2021-2022 performance season with the mindset of having live audiences back in the theater, even if audience numbers for each performance are limited and patrons are socially-distanced. We have been carefully adhering to the current COVID recommendations and guidelines throughout our current performance season and we plan to be just as cautious, yet optimistic, with our 2021-2022 performance season.

Since this will be our 40th Season, we are looking for show titles that are well-known in name or have familiar characters, themes or plot lines to them. Also, please note that not all submissions will be selected for the 2021-2022 season, however, if a script is liked but does not make it into the main stage season, it may be considered for a staged reading in our 2021-2022 Reader's Series.

Please indicate below your preference as to which production performance dates would best fit your schedule and availability to direct. Please number each time slot from 1 to 5 with 1 being the most preferred and 5 being the least preferred. For example, if you have more availability in the spring and you would be able to direct one of your submitted productions/scripts during that timeframe, you would list those times slots as most preferred. Please note, the dates below are finalized and cannot be adjusted.

_____ **Gala Production** – August 20, 21 (*One act production performed at the Stage Company Donor Appreciation Gala.*)

_____ **Fall Production #1** – October 8-10, 14-17

_____ **Fall Production #2** – December 3-5, 9-12 (*Please note that we would prefer that this production have a holiday theme.*)

_____ **Spring Production #1** – January 28-30, February 3-6

_____ **Spring Production #2** – April 1-3, 7-10

_____ **Summer Production** – July 1-3, 7-10

On the back of this application or in a separate document, please briefly describe the scripts that you are submitting and any ideas that you may have for directing those productions (Concepts, designs, casting, themes, etc.). The Play Selection Committee will be taking these concepts and ideas into consideration when selecting productions for the 2021-2022 season, so please be as detailed and thorough as possible in your descriptions.

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Please return your application via e-mail to: playselection@stagecompany.org
or in person to Brandyn McGhee (Vice President for Productions).

You may also support the local postal service by mailing your applications to:

The Jackson County Stage Company
P.O. Box 463
Carbondale, Illinois 62903

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE MONDAY, MARCH 15, 2021