

THE 4th ANNUAL NEW PLAYWRIGHTS, NEW PLAYS COMPETITION **& \$1000 KAPLAN PRIZE**

The New Playwrights, New Plays Competition encourages and stimulates the writing and production of new full-length plays by Cape and Island writers. The Competition is sponsored by Eventide Arts, a Cape Cod non-profit organization devoted to producing stimulating theatre for the purpose of inspiring thought and debate, and showcasing the work of local artists.

The Competition is open to full-length plays written by both new and experienced playwrights who live on Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard or Nantucket. One play will be selected by the judges and presented as a staged reading in June 2010 on the historic Gertrude Lawrence stage as part of Eventide Arts' 2009-2010 season of plays, concerts and workshops. The winning Competition entry will be awarded the \$1,000 Kaplan Prize.

The 2007 winner ~ ***Meridian Summer***, by Candace Perry

The 2008 winner ~ ***Sequel***, by David Kucher

The 2009 winner ~ ***Eucatastrophe***, by Andy Reynolds

Completed plays and works-in-progress must first be submitted to the Competition by the **October 15, 2009** deadline to be included in the Competition. The second and final deadline for submission of edited plays is **February 15, 2010**. There will be a workshop period in April 2010 where the playwright will have an opportunity to hear his/her winning play read by actors with discussion, and make any final edits, if needed.

During the Competition, playwrights will receive written evaluations of their first draft from our panel of judges. In addition, distinguished playwright Sinan Unel will be available for private consultations (for a fee) if the playwright so chooses.

Beginning in November 2009, playwrights may choose to have their plays read after which they will have one last opportunity to edit. Playwrights may invite their friends and families to the reading.

Final versions of edited plays must be postmarked by **February 15, 2010**. The New Playwrights, New Plays Competition winners will be announced in March, 2010.

To obtain guidelines to enter, please contact the Competition Coordinator, Jacqueline M. Loring at jmljake@capecod.net, or visit www.EventideArts.org to download guidelines and an application.

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2009 / 2010 NEW PLAYWRIGHTS, NEW PLAYS COMPETITION

Calendar of Events:

- Deadline for the first submission of plays is October 15, 2009.
- Plays submitted on October 15, 2009 may be complete or works-in-progress.
- Plays will not be accepted by email. Plays must be mailed or hand delivered.
- The Competition runs through February 15, 2010, which is the final submission date.
- Writers are encouraged to edit plays during the competition.
- Plays will be judged and the winning playwright will be notified in March 2009.
- The winning playwright will receive a special pre-reading of his/her play in April 2010 with a director and actors to prepare the play for the stage.
- Rehearsals for the staged reading of the winning play will begin in May 2010.
- The winning play will be performed as a staged reading as a part of the Eventide New Plays/New Playwrights Festival on Friday, June 18 and Saturday, June 19, 2010.

New Playwrights, New Plays Competition Guidelines:

- Playwrights must follow the Competition guidelines.
- All plays must be full-length.
- Playwrights must complete the application form.
- The Play Competition is open to residents of Cape Cod, Nantucket, or Martha's Vineyard.
- Manuscripts will not be returned after judging and will be shredded.
- Plays must be submitted in a binder, in Standard Play Format, and single-sided.
- Each play must have two title pages
 - One title page must contain only the name of the play.
 - The playwright's name and contact information should appear on a separate title page.
 - There cannot be any identifying information on the play pages. Plays that do not conform will not be considered for the Competition.
- Plays must have 10 or fewer characters.
- Registration forms must be accompanied by a \$25.00 fee.
 - Please make checks out to Eventide Arts, Inc.
 - Please send the play, postmarked no later than October 15, 2009 to:
Play Competition, c/o JMLoring, PO Box 338, Monument Beach, MA 02553.
- Plays may be submitted that have been workshopped and/or cold read.
- Plays may not be submitted that have had a staged reading or been fully produced.
- Plays must be noted as completed or work-in-progress.
- All plays judged to be included in the Competition from the October 15, 2009 deadline **may be** edited. If a play has been edited during the Competition, a new copy must be mailed with a postmark no later than February 15, 2010 in order to be considered for the final judging.
- The Play Competition Committee strongly suggests that authors copyright their work before submission.
- Reading of submitted plays will be held in the winter of 2009/2010. Times and locations will be announced in November 2009. Writers are responsible to find readers and to supply scripts for the readers. Friends and family are welcome to attend the readings.

For more information and for play guidelines, please email, jmljake@capecod.net



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REGISTRATION FORM

Playwright's name: _____ Phone: _____

Signature: _____

Cape and Islands address: _____ Email: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Fax: _____

If not a Cape address, please explain your Barnstable County, Martha's Vineyard or Nantucket residency

Co-author: _____ Address _____

Signature: _____

Title of Play: _____ Genre: _____

Number of pages: _____

Copyrighted: Yes No Where: _____

Is this play completed? Yes No Is this play a work in progress? Yes No

Has this play had a staged reading? Yes No Where _____
Has this play been produced? Yes No Where _____

Are you interested in a consult with Sinan Unel? Yes No

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