



**Application for Ocala Civic Theatre  
Service-Based  
Scholarship Program**

**Applications are due Friday, March 28, 2025**

**Interviews are Saturday, April 26, 2025, 9am-1pm**



***Learn more about what you love!***

## ***OCT SERVICE-BASED SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION***

Ocala Civic Theatre proudly supports the performing arts, technical theatre arts and educational theatre through our service-based scholarship program. Encouraging young talent to pursue their passion for the performing arts is at the forefront of OCT's mission.

In addition to providing opportunities for students to hone their skills onstage, we offer apprenticeships that give production students opportunities to learn and practice technical skills in a real-world environment. If you are a Marion County resident and a senior planning to attend college or a college student currently enrolled in theatre, music, arts or educational theatre curriculum, you are eligible. The following areas of study are encouraged for potential scholarship applicants:

- ❖ Theatre Performance (Acting, Playwriting, Directing,) Design and Technical Production
- ❖ Vocal Music
- ❖ Instrumental Music
- ❖ Dance
- ❖ Educational Theatre
- ❖ Arts Therapy

This competitive process asks applicants to complete and submit the following:

- An application
- A brief statement of interest (why you want to participate and how you think it would benefit you)
- Provide 2 current letters of recommendation
- Submit a resume or vitae

Qualified students will be required to attend an interview on **Saturday, April 26, 2025**. These service-based scholarships provide \$500 per completed term and may be repeated for a total of three terms per the 2025-2026 season. Scholarship awards will be paid directly to the applicant's designated college or post-secondary institute by or near **June 26, 2026**.

## **SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION**

**The following application package must be completed and submitted in its entirety no later than Friday, March 28, 2025 at 2:00pm.**

**In Person:** The application may be dropped off at the OCT Box Office.  
(Box Office hours are M-F, 10:00am-2:00pm)

**By Mail:** The application may be mailed to  
Ocala Civic Theatre, 4337 East Silver Springs Boulevard, Ocala, FL 34470

**Or**

**By Email:** The application may be emailed to  
[JKirk@ocalacivictheatre.com](mailto:JKirk@ocalacivictheatre.com)

**Each applicant will receive an interview appointment for Saturday, April 26, 2025 between 9:00am and 1:00pm at Marion Cultural Alliance and must attend the scheduled interview. Applicants will be notified by phone or email of their appointment time by April 16, 2025.**



## 2025-2026 Service-Based Scholarship Application

**PLEASE WRITE LEGIBLY**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Numbers (home) \_\_\_\_\_

(cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

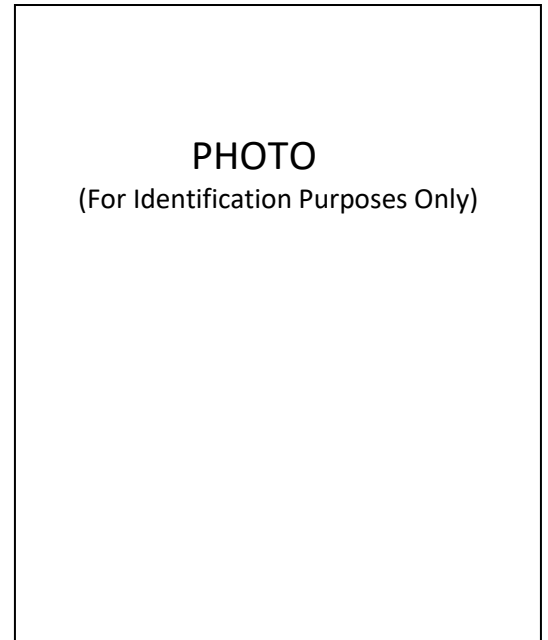
Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Current School \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_  
(weighted or not weighted)

School(s) or Post-Secondary Programs Planning to Attend

\_\_\_\_\_  
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Please check the area(s) you are interested in:

- Design & Technical Production
- Costuming
- Educational Theatre
- Administration (Front of house, marketing, and box office)

List school and/or extracurricular clubs and activities.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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## 2025-2026 College Service-Based Scholarship Application

***Please remember: a completed application package must include the following FOUR items:***

- This two-page application completed
- A brief statement of interest. Why are you interested in the program and how do you think it will help you grow?
- Two letters of recommendation. These letters of recommendation must be current and unique to you.
- A resume or vitae of your work and experiences within your selected arts category

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***If you need further assistance in preparing your application, please reach out to [jkirk@ocalacivictheatre.com](mailto:jkirk@ocalacivictheatre.com) for more information.***

**I hereby swear or affirm that I am a resident of Marion County and that I am currently or am considering studying some aspect of the performing arts.**

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**Signature of Applicant**