



2026 ONE ACT NEW PLAY COMPETITION

For Immediate Release

The Georgia Theatre Conference, the official theatre organization for the state of Georgia, is now taking submissions for its annual **One Act New Play Competition**. The competition is open to writers **currently residing in Georgia**. The winning playwright will receive a \$500 prize and a play lab at the conference.

Guidelines are listed below:

- Entries will be accepted until August 31, 2026 at 11:59pm via the Ludus submission form.
- One submission per playwright only.
- Play submissions must be a one-act with a running-time between 30 minutes and one hour and limited to 10 or fewer characters. If your play is longer than 55 pages, but you are certain that it runs shorter than one hour, please include a statement confirming this. **Full length scripts, children's plays, 10 Minute plays, and musicals are not accepted.**
- Plays must be **unproduced (no professional, independent, college/university, or community theatre productions)** and **unpublished (including anthologies)**. Plays that have gone through readings and workshops are acceptable.
- Playwright must reside in the state of Georgia.
- Plays may be submitted by email attachment in Microsoft Word or PDF format with the following guidelines:
 - **FORMATTING** Text must be in a format supported by The Dramatists Guild of America, Inc. (Character name centered over the dialogue, 12-pt. font size, in Times New Roman or Courier New font style, etc.)
 - **PAGINATION** Script must include page numbers on each page
 - **FILE NAME** The File Name should be the Title of the Play
 - **BLIND COPY** The author's name should not appear in the script. The author's name and address should only appear in the body of the email.
 - Do not include resumes, playwright biographies, or history of the play. The play should speak for itself.

The winner will be notified in September 2026. If the winner is unable to attend, a runner-up will be selected.

Please go to www.georgiatheatreconference.com to submit. Questions? Email Jono Davis (Executive Director) at jono@georgiatheatreconference.com.

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