



Cape May Stage is proud to launch the Young Playwrights Awards

This new and exciting initiative was created to nurture and showcase the next generation of playwrights by providing a platform for young writers to have their original works read and celebrated by a professional theater community.

HOW IT WORKS

WRITE

Create an original 10-minute play on any subject you choose.

SUBMIT

Applications + scripts accepted from October 20 through December 19.

REVIEW

Our judging panel of professional playwrights, directors, and actors will review all submissions and score them using our published rubric.

RULES & ELIGIBILITY

Open to high school students in grades 9-12 in New Jersey

Plays must be 10 minutes or less

Maximum of 4 characters

Original work only

WINNERS!

3 top plays will be selected, with first place receiving a \$500 prize, second place getting \$250, and third place \$100.

All three winners will also have their plays included in the 2025 Reading Series at Cape May Stage.

All entries receive a certificate.

**SUBMIT BY
DEC. 19 at 5 PM**

Visit capemaystage.org/young-playwrights
for guidelines, forms, and updates.