


FRONTERAFEST SHORT FRINGE COMMISSIONS



 **Short Fringe Commissions provide featured slots for four ScriptWorks members in the Short Fringe of FronteraFest. The Festival is a five-week long “performance jamboree” produced annually by Hyde Park Theatre and ScriptWorks in January and February. Scripts must be 25 minutes or less. Writers are given small stipends (\$250) to cover minimal production expenses and the application fee is waived. ScriptWorks Commission performances for 2020 will fall on the following Wednesdays: January 15, 22, 29, and February 5. You must be a member in good standing to apply for and receive funding from any ScriptWorks program.**



Guidelines

ScriptWorks' Short Fringe commissions, offered in conjunction with Hyde Park Theatre, are designed to give members funding to help write and produce a one-act play for production in the FronteraFest Short Fringe (January 14 - February 15, 2020). Work in existence may be submitted but it may not have been produced previously in its current form. Writers are advised that production elements for the festival are sparse. To apply for Short Fringe commissions, members must submit the following:

- ◆ A description of the project (not to exceed one page).
- ◆ Sample pages of the play (not required, but encouraged).
- ◆ A list of any personnel who will be connected with the production (actors, director, designers, etc.)
- ◆ All elements of the application should be combined into one Word document. Submissions will be blinded so please include your name on the title page only.

If selected, writer agrees to:

- ◆ Produce the play in accordance with the guidelines established by FronteraFest.
- ◆ Ensure their piece is available to perform in the Best of the Week (the Saturday following your Weds. performance) and Best of the Fest (either Tues. and Fri, Weds. and Sat. or Thurs. Feb. 11-15)
- ◆ Acknowledge ScriptWorks in any and all promotions and programs for the festival and in future presentations of the work. Specific wording will be provided.
- ◆ Remain a member in good standing through the 2019-20 season.

N.B. Funds will be dispersed in early January.

Review Criteria

FronteraFest Commission proposals will be reviewed by a selection committee of non-applying members and community members and recommendations forwarded to the Operations Committee for final approval. The selection committee will be asked to consider: strength of proposal, quality of sample pages, and production viability in the open festival. Awards will be announced by October 7, 2019.

Short Fringe Commission proposals must be received by: Sept. 13, 2019

Email to:

christi@scriptworks.org

If you want to ensure your slot in the festival and the early bird discount, go ahead and apply to the festival by mail but note on your application that you're applying for a commission and your check will be held until the commissions are awarded. We strongly recommend you secure a slot before the announcement.

If you have questions regarding the guidelines, please email Christi@scriptworks.org.