# William T. Brown Shakespeare on Wheels Research Award

The William T. Brown Shakespeare on Wheels Research Award provides theatre majors with an opportunity to receive financial support to attend a workshop, a master class, or a conference that is linked to an area of study in the theatre department at UMBC. Multiple research awards can be provided each year and award amounts fluctuate depending upon the strength of the application and available funding.

Previously, students have attended workshops in stage combat, playwriting, Alexander Technique, and voice, and others have attended the USITT conference. The possibilities for study are endless. Another benefit is that recipients of the award have a chance to work with professionals and other students in their discipline.

Theatre majors of any discipline may apply.

### CONDITIONS OF AWARD

- 1. The awards will be administered by the Department of Theatre and are not able to be applied to the cost of UMBC Tuition.
- 2. Students are eligible to receive the scholarship a maximum of two times.
- 3. Students who have received the award previously must reapply and will be evaluated on the same basis as all other applicants.
- 4. If a student does not receive an award one year, they may reapply the following year.
- 5. Following the conclusion of the event, the awardee will meet with their academic advisor to give formal feedback on their experiences.

## QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE AWARD

- 1. The candidate must be a UMBC undergraduate Theatre major.
- 2. The candidate must be sophomores or juniors or, if a transfer, must have spent a minimum of two semesters of study as a theatre major at UMBC. (\*Seniors with following year enrollment are also eligible to apply.)

## SCHOLARSHIP DECISIONS

- 1. Final decisions will be made by a committee of full-time faculty.
- 2. Financial need will not be a criteria for scholarship awards.
- 3. Standards for the awards are determined by the faculty. Scholarships will only be awarded if the faculty standards and award qualifications are met. Awards are based upon the applicant's record of quality academic achievement, departmental participation, and overall commitment to the theatre learning experience.
- 4. The Department Chair has authority to render immediate adjustment and financial decisions as appropriate when timely.

### APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Applications Open March 1st. Applicants should complete the Shakespeare on Wheels Application Form fully and carefully. Applications should make a convincing case for the desired event as a significant opportunity for research or training, and must include a detailed budget of anticipated expenses. The event may take place over a weekend, a week, or longer. Students may request funding to cover related fees and expenses including travel and accommodations.

Apply for the Shakespeare on Wheels Research Award here: <u>Shakespeare on Wheels Application Form.</u>

If you have questions, please contact us at <a href="mailto:theatre@umbc.edu">theatre@umbc.edu</a>.