

HELLO!

The contest is almost upon us! A few reminders to make sure everything goes smoothly!

CITATION CONFUSION: This is the first year we have had it...(citations, not confusion!). The spreadsheet table worked except we don't have display space so we came up with making it just a small print detail in the lower left corner specific to each applicable plate. This was not communicated very effectively. We are not expecting you to redo artwork to include it...it is an added tiny label. If you don't have space on your board, it can go over the design (love clear labels so it is just the lettering to minimize covering anyone's beautiful stuff) but I have also heard of some clever crafty folks who are inventing solutions that fold up and down to reveal the full art. You are the trailblazers of how this will be done in the future. Your choices are tomorrow's examples. Some have asked if they have to cite a source if it is their original work, and to that I say, that is the most important one to do to give yourself the credit you deserve!

CONTEST PAPERWORK TO BRING: We need sponsors and competitors to complete the photo release forms found on the website, Theatrical Design page and bring them with you to STATE. The volunteer forms are only for HONOR CREW....The photo forms are for everyone. There will be a check-in table for you to report to for check-in and you can turn them in there. Here is a link to the Theatrical Design Page where you get the forms. <https://www.uiltexas.org/theatre/theatrical-design>

VERIFICATION: You will report to the verification period with your work at the assigned time where your work will be checked. If needed, you have a window to make any corrections required for entry and then you will be putting them on the display panels directly. NOTE: We will provide the Velcro Dots for installation. You will report according to the following schedule with your fully mounted projects and a copy of the State Checklist Form.

VERIFICATION SCHEDULE for May 10th

Combined 1A-3A	8:30-9:30 am	Must be displayed by no later than 10:30am
4A	9:30-10:30 am	Must be displayed by no later than 11:30am
5A	10:0-11:30 am	Must be displayed by no later than 12:30pm
6A	11:30 am-12:30 pm	Must be displayed by no later than 1:30pm

We ask that everyone respect these times and clear the way for others. Repairs will be made in the BLACK BOX at AISD PAC. The more prepared you are ahead of time, the less stressful this time will be. Read over everything in the packet and email questions as needed. Remember we are not looking to DISQUALIFY anyone. We are working to make our contest gallery consistent with rules and expectations.

I AM SO EXCITED ABOUT OUR OPENING CEREMONY! PLEASE MAKE PLANS TO BE THERE!! We will be celebrating HADESTOWN, the Contest and announcing next year's play.

Last but not least. In an effort to have the best communication possible (not everyone seems to be getting the system emails...) we have created a **GROUP ME** and ask the main sponsor from each school to join at this link to receive announcements/communications related to the contest. Please use this link to do so.

https://groupme.com/join_group/100729458/zHeJR7FM

I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE EVERYONE!!

–RACHAEL GOMEZ