



ariZoni Awards of Theatre Excellence Theater Membership Requirements

For theatres wishing to join the ariZonis and have their productions be considered for the upcoming season must meet the following requirements:

- New theaters must provide documentation confirming that they have been a continually producing theatre for at least three (3) years.
- During the time of continuous participation, the theatre must:
 - Have presented at least three shows per year for at least three consecutive years in the Phoenix Metropolitan area.
 - Have a scheduled and publicized season of theatrical productions
 - Present productions in a public performance space on a regular basis in the Phoenix Metropolitan Area
 - Present full-length productions that are open and advertised to the public and for which tickets are sold. Said shows shall be no shorter than 45 minutes actual runtime (not including curtain speech, intermission and bows).
 - Have a minimum of four performances on four separate days. [Please note: This rule is critical to our ability to provide enough adjudicators to your shows. However, we will consider exceptions on a case-by-case basis.]

Theatre Categories and Eligibility

Please Note: For educational institutions, only college-level productions will be eligible for adjudication. Private, charter and public schools lower than college-level are ineligible for adjudication.

1. Plays and Musicals (Adult) This category includes community, dinner theatre, educational (college-level only), theatre for youth performed by adults. The majority of the actors used in the productions of this category must be adults.

Note: Although Plays and Musicals may be combined under one application with one application fee, TBA performances must be designated as to whether it will be a musical or a play.

2. Youth Theatre At least 75% of cast members for Youth Theatre must consist of children 19 years of age or younger.

NOTE: The ariZonis do not adjudicate summer camp shows or other workshop-type productions. Note: theatres wishing to participate in more than one category – either Plays and Musicals (Adult) and Youth - must indicate as such on the application with separate application fees.

The ariZoni Theatre Awards of Excellence Board of Directors reserves the right to consider exceptions to ANY of these policies on a case-by-case basis.

Theaters meeting the above requirements may apply for membership online. As part of the application, you will need to send documentation to us at arizonihelp@gmail.com. Such documentation should consist of playbills, flyers, and proof of media coverage, press clippings, etc.