

THE PLAYWRIGHTS' CENTER

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THE PLAYWRIGHTS' CENTER 2009-10 JEROME FELLOWSHIPS

for emerging playwrights

"I cannot thank the Jerome Foundation enough for the opportunities I have been afforded these past two years: the doors that have been opened, the work I've made, and the community I've become a part of."

– Deborah Stein,
two-time Jerome Fellow
(2006-07, 2007-08)

Playwrights' Center Jerome Fellowships are awarded annually, providing emerging American playwrights with funds and services to aid them in the development of their craft. Five \$10,000 fellowships will be awarded in 2009-10; fellows also receive \$1,000 in development support. Fellows spend a year's residency in Minnesota receiving Center opportunities including readings and workshops with professional directors, dramaturgs, and actors.

Jerome Fellowships have been awarded since 1976. Past recipients include Lee Blessing, Lisa D'Amour, Naomi Iizuka, Melanie Marnich, Syl Jones, Anne García-Romero, and August Wilson. The Fellowships are underwritten by a grant from the Jerome Foundation.

SELECTION PROCESS

Applications are screened for eligibility by The Playwrights' Center and evaluated by a select panel of Minnesota theater artists; finalists are evaluated by a diverse panel of national theater artists. Selection is based on artistic excellence, potential, and commitment, and also is guided by The Playwrights' Center's mission statement.

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MINNEAPOLIS, MN
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DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 12, 2008 (RECEIPT)

QUESTIONS? CALL THE PLAYWRIGHTS' CENTER, 612/332-7481 EXT. 15

2009-10 JEROME FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION FORM

(In lieu of this form, you may simply supply the requested information in a clear format.)

ELIGIBILITY

- Applicants must be citizens or permanent residents of the United States.
- Applicants may not have had more than two different works fully produced by professional theaters at the time of application, defined as productions for which the author and/or primary artists (actors, directors, creative collaborators) were compensated, and received at least three public performances. Ten-minute or one-act plays and university, college, secondary school, amateur, and Equity showcase/waiver productions are not considered full productions.

CONDITIONS / REQUIREMENTS

- Fellows spend the 12-month fellowship period in Minnesota actively participating in the Center's programs. Housing and travel are not provided.
- Playwrights may not receive more than two Jerome Fellowships.
- A previous recipient applying for a second Jerome Fellowship must submit a different play than the play accompanying his/her first application.
- Grant recipients may not receive any other Playwrights' Center fellowships or grants during the grant year.
- Recipients are required to participate actively through volunteer opportunities and Center events during the grant year.

TO APPLY

Please send a **single PDF document** containing the following:

- The application form (in lieu of this form, you may simply include the requested information, in a clear format, as the first page in your PDF document.)
- One script, with your name and play title on the cover page. All script submissions must be written only by the applicant; no cowritten submissions will be accepted. Scripts for musicals may be submitted by the book writer only. The submitted script must be a complete draft that represents your best playwriting. If it is not your most recent work, please indicate on your resumé what you've been writing since then.
- A one-page playwriting resumé (listing all readings, productions, awards, commissions, etc.) and/or autobiographical narrative. Please mark clearly which productions meet the above criteria for being "fully produced by professional theaters" and provide contact information for those theaters.
- A one-page description of artistic goals for the fellowship year.

Name: _____

Writing Sample: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Day Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Email: _____

___ I hereby certify that the information in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: Jerome Fellowship awards include a one-year Center membership. Fellowship recipients may display their work in the Center's New Play Gallery

PLEASE EMAIL ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS
AS A SINGLE PDF DOCUMENT TO:
info@pwcenter.org

A confirmation of receipt will be sent via email.

DEADLINES & IMPORTANT DATES

- Applications must be received by: September 12, 2008
 - Grant recipients will be announced in January 2009.
 - The grant year begins July 1, 2009 and ends June 30, 2010.
- All grant requirements must be met during that time.