**2023 State Theatre Center for the Arts FREDDY© Awards**

East Stroudsburg University (ESU) Scholarship Program

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***A UNIQUE PARTNERSHIP***

The State Theatre Center for the Arts FREDDY© Awards were first announced in April 2002. Named after our famed ghost, J. “Fred” Osterstock, the State Theatre Center for the Arts is pleased to present the 2023 FREDDY© Awards—rewarding exceptional accomplishments in the production and performance of musical theatre in local high schools. With so much emphasis on athletics in our schools, it’s time to recognize significant achievement in the arts. Celebrating 20 years, the FREDDY© Awards program recognizes the extraordinary amount of work, creativity, and devotion that faculty and students pour into their high school theatrical productions. We strive to celebrate the entire art of musical theatre: casts and crews, directors and designers, and the great musical theatre works that inspire such commitment, while developing a creative and dynamic relationship between area high schools and a professional theatre organization. The Freddy Awards will take place on Thursday, May 25, 2023.

The partnership between the State Theatre Center for the Arts FREDDY© Awards and East Stroudsburg University Theatre Department creates a unique opportunity for students from Pennsylvania and New Jersey to receive an education at East Stroudsburg University. Any current student who is affiliated with a participating high school and who plans to enroll as a Theatre Major (Design/Technical/Stage Management Track) is eligible to apply.

* **The East Stroudsburg University Theatre Department/State Theatre FREDDY© Awards Scholarship consists of TWO $1000/Year Scholarships**

**for ESU’s 2023-2024 academic year**

**1 Awarded for Musical Theatre Performance**

**1 Awarded for Tech/Stage Management/Design**

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**TIMELINE OF IMPORTANT DATES**

* April 28, 2023 ……….Deadline for applications for the 2023 ESU/FREDDY© Awards Scholarship
* May 12, 2023……….Recipient notified of the 2023 ESU/FREDDY© Awards Scholarship
* May 25, 2023……….2023 FREDDY© Awards Ceremony

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

* Students must complete and email the 2023 ESU/FREDDY© Awards Scholarship application to **bwatson4@esu.edu**&**jnarvy@esu.edu**by 4:00 PM on Friday, April 28, 2023. Late applications will not be accepted under any circumstances.
* Students applying for the 2023 ESU/Freddy Awards Scholarship must be Theatre Majors (Musical Theatre Performance OR Tech/Stage Management/Design) AND they must plan to enroll as a full time student at ESU for the Fall 2023 semester, and be registered for 12 or more credit hours. The award recipient must notify ESU Scholarships Department when they have registered for Fall 2023 classes.
* Students submitting applications for the 2023 ESU/FREDDY© Awards Scholarship must attend a high school that is participating in the 2023 State Theatre Center for the Arts FREDDY© Awards.
* Students submitting applications for the 2023 ESU/FREDDY© Awards Scholarship do not have to receive a nomination in the 2023 FREDDY© Awards to be eligible.

**SELECTION AND REVIEW PROCESS**

Representatives of ESU will meet to review the candidates for the 2023 ESU/FREDDY© Awards Scholarships and select the recipients (1-for Musical Theatre Performance and 1-for Tech/Stage Management/Design) of the scholarship award.

An interview or portfolio review will only be held if deemed necessary by the faculty and administration of the Theatre Program at ESU. If scheduled, students will be notified by mail and e-mail.

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SELECT SCHOLARSHIP YOU ARE APPLYING FOR:

* + Musical Theatre Performance
	+ Tech/ Stage Management/Design

STUDENT NAME:

STUDENT ADDRESS:

STUDENT PHONE NUMBER:

STUDENT E-MAIL ADDRESS:

SCHOOL NAME:

SCHOOL ADDRESS:

COUNTY:

SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER:

COORDINATING TEACHER’S NAME:

TEACHER’S DAY PHONE NUMBER:

TEACHER’S E-MAIL:

DATE OF APPLICATION TO ESU:

ANTICIPATED MAJOR:

**PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING:**

* \*Academic Record: Copy of student transcript or academic record.
* \* Student letter detailing why they wish to study theatre (500 words or less).
* \*Teacher Recommendation: In 500 words or less, describe the student’s participation in school and/or extracurricular theatre activities.

**Applications must be received by East Stroudsburg University.**

**Please email your application to Bethanie Watson,** **bwatson4@esu.edu** **& Jason Narvy,** **jnarvy@esu.edu** **,**

**No later than 4:00 PM on April 28, 2023**