

What is The Stella Award?

The Stella Award was created by Estelle Craig, a long-time member of ACT II STUDIO in Programs for 50+. The award acknowledges Estelle's commitment to the theatre and lifelong learning. The Stella Award recognizes students that share Estelle Craig's passion for using theatre as a vehicle to bring stories to life and was created to inspire adults 50+ to write and submit an original one-act play.

This award will provide financial assistance and recognize a playwright who has created an original one-act play and who is a member/participant in The Chang School's Programs for 50+, The Estelle Craig ACT II STUDIO, and/or LIFE Institute.

What is the value of The Stella Award?

There is one annual cash award (the value varies from year to year).

Who is eligible to apply?

To be eligible to apply for The Stella Award you must meet all of the following criteria:

1. Be a member/participant in The G. Raymond Chang School of Continuing Education's Programs for 50+, The Estelle Craig ACT II STUDIO, and/or LIFE Institute
2. Be a Canadian Citizen, Permanent Resident, or Protected Person (with valid *PPSD*)

Who is ineligible to apply?

In order to encourage new works, the panel will not consider plays that have already been performed publicly.

How will applicants be selected?

Submissions will be reviewed by a committee composed of representatives from Ryerson University and the wider theatre community. Successful completion of an original one-act play – submissions will be judged based on the following criteria:

1. **Concept/Theme** – Does it work as a stage play?
2. **Structure** – Does the structure enhance the story?
3. **Plot** – Is the plot effective and believable in its genre and does it have a conclusion? Does the play have a protagonist? Does it show conflict?

Application and Notification

The Stella Award application is available online on The Chang School website (www.ryerson.ca/ce) and at The G. Raymond Chang School of Continuing Education, Heaslip House, 297 Victoria Street.

Your completed application along with your play must be handed in to Mena Carravetta, Program Coordinator, Programs for 50+ (The Chang School, Heaslip House, 297 Victoria Street, 3rd Floor, Room CED304) or emailed to Mena at mena.carravetta@ryerson.ca.

Applications must be received by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, March 1, 2019.

Part 1: PERSONAL INFORMATION

Last Name		First Name		Student Number	
Mailing Address			City	Province	Postal Code
Email Address			Cell Phone		Home Phone
Title of Your Play					

Part 2: APPLICANT INFORMATION

Please select each option that applies to you

<input type="checkbox"/>	Member/Participant in The G. Raymond Chang School of Continuing Education's Programs for 50+, The Estelle Craig ACT II STUDIO, and/or LIFE Institute
<input type="checkbox"/>	Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident

Part 3: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO INCLUDE WITH APPLICATION

Along with your completed application, a copy of your original one-act play must be included on 8.5" x 11" paper in the following page format:

1	Cover sheet – Only the title of the play shown in the centre of the page
2	Copy of the play – single sided and double spaced with the title of the play and page number appearing on each page <i>NOTE: Please do not include personal information on the play submission .</i>

Part 4: DECLARATION

By checking the "I Agree" box below I declare that the information provided is, to the best of my knowledge, true and accurate and has been prepared by me. I understand that any false statements I may make could disqualify me from The Stella Award. Furthermore, I authorize Student Financial Assistance to review my academic record and current address when required and, as a potential recipient of this scholarship, I give Ryerson University permission to announce my name in public forum, if I am chosen.

By checking the box below, I indicate that I understand and agree to these terms and conditions. The information on this application is collected under the authority of the Ryerson University Act. It will be used to process your application for this award and to determine the recipient of the award. If you have questions about the collection, use and disclosure of this information by the University, please contact the Manager of Student Financial Assistance and Awards, Ryerson University, 350 Victoria Street, Toronto, Ontario, M5B 2K3, 416.979.5113.

<input type="checkbox"/> I agree	Name (Printed)	Date
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