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## OCTA REGIONAL FESTIVAL/ACT AWARDS BANQUET

The time is fast approaching for the OCTA Regional festivities. Mark your calendar for June 26(tentative), 27 and 28. As in years past, this year's activities will take place at Parish Auditorium at the Hamilton Campus of Miami University.

Arlene Borock has been hard at work putting all of this together. You all should have received your registration forms by now. Remember that EACH person must be registered and have their own registration form. Early registration fees are listed below (early is by June 1)

Excerpts/Banquet/Awards/Party	Early \$48/\$52
Banquet/Awards/Party Only	\$30/\$33
Excerpts/Awards/Party Only	\$25/\$28
Excerpts Only	\$17/\$20
Awards/Party Only	\$10/\$10

There will also be a box lunch that you can order on Saturday.

Final deadline for making your reservations is June 13. These forms are also available for download at [www.cinstages.com](http://www.cinstages.com) and click on the ACT logo in the lower right corner of the page.

The Embassy Suites Hotel in Blue Ash has been reserved for the banquet. IF you would like to get a room there, a king suite is \$119 and a double suite is \$129. Call 513-733-8900 to make your reservation. Mention ACT Cincinnati when booking your room, and to receive these rates, reservations must be made by May 28<sup>th</sup>.

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OCTA State conference will once again come to Cincinnati in 2009. The site will be at the Holiday Inn Eastgate, the site of the 04 conference. Once again the conference will be chaired by Linda Roll and Mike Robb. IF you would like to help on planning the festivities, please contact Linda at [llroll69@hotmail.com](mailto:llroll69@hotmail.com). We will be getting the steering committee together in the next month or so to begin the plans. We are also still trying to locate a theatre to hold the excerpts and we will keep you informed about this in the coming months. More information will be forthcoming.



committee will meet on May 4 to begin the selection process. Having sat on the committee in the past, this is a very difficult process. The awards will be presented at the ACT banquet on June 28<sup>th</sup>. If you need further information, contact CathyLutts (awards@actofcincinnati.org)who is in charge of the Awards.

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### **ACT memorial**

ACT will once again present a memorial to those people who have been integral members of community theatre who have died since last year. If you would like to have more information on this, please contact Dan Riggsby at [danr@arrovyn.com](mailto:danr@arrovyn.com). Dan has been in charge of putting the video presentation together. This presentation will also take place at the banquet on June 28<sup>th</sup>.

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### **ACT WORKSHOP**

On April 5<sup>th</sup>, the long range judging committee presented a workshop to help educate the ACT judges as well as groups as to what to look for in 4 technical areas.

This workshop was held at Dunham Recreation Center and was chaired by Cheri Misleah. The presenters/ topics for these workshops were Mark Williams, Lighting; Glenn Plott, Set Design/Décor; and Jamie Sullivan, Stage Management. A 4<sup>th</sup> workshop on Costuming (Joy Galbraith) was cancelled at the last minute, but there were plenty of handouts on this topic available to whoever wished them. The workshop began with a keynote address by Rick Pender who outlined what he looked at when reviewing a show.

This was a very interesting day of information and those in attendance hopefully took some great ideas with them. It is hoped that this will become an annual event. Thanks to all who attended and especially to Cheri and her committee who worked very hard to make this happen.

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As of this writing, there are 12 groups who have expressed an interest in excerpting. The final decision as to whether a group will excerpt is on May 19<sup>th</sup>, which is the pick meeting. The information packets with all of the registration forms will be either handed out to the groups at the ACT/OCTA meeting on April 22 or will be mailed to those groups not in attendance.

There are just a few changes this year.

Showcasing is no longer an option for any group. IF your group is chosen to represent our region at the state conference, you may decline the invitation.

