



Michael J. Bobbitt

Minority Musical Theater Training Scholarship

Our Mission

Adventure Theatre MTC (ATMTC) cultivates new generations of artists and audiences by creating memorable theatrical productions and by providing school-age students the highest quality musical theater training, including classes, student productions, ensembles, and community engagement. ATMTC serves students at all skill levels and families from diverse communities.

The Michael J. Bobbitt Minority Musical Theater Training Scholarship, founded in 2012, provides opportunities for ethnic minority students to benefit from the highest caliber of performing arts and arts-related educational programming at ATMTC Academy, now entering its 29th year at Wintergreen Plaza in Rockville, MD. The scholarship is in honor of esteemed Producing Artistic Director who has knowledge of the importance of proper training for young people and an investment in their success as performing artists.

Funding

Adventure Theatre MTC and Michael J. Bobbitt are committed to serving our community and our children, regardless of their ability to pay. Funds and resources for this scholarship are provided solely by Mr. Bobbitt each year to and will cover 25% - 100% of total class costs for the selected recipient(s). Scholarships are awarded to ethnic minority students who demonstrate dedication to their craft, and promising artistic talent, based on the student's scholarship audition, financial need, and the applicant's Declaration of Interest.

The Michael J. Bobbitt Minority Musical Theater Training Scholarship is open to students whose families whose annual gross income falls at or below 75% of the median income of Montgomery County, MD, as defined by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD):

- Families who fall under 50% of the median income are eligible for 100% class cost scholarships; and
- Families who fall between 50%-80% of the median income are eligible for scholarships that cover 25%-80% of class costs.

To determine whether your family qualifies, please refer to the chart on page 3.

How to Apply

Enclosed you will find the Michael J. Bobbitt Scholarship Application and the Declaration of Interest Essay criteria, which should be completed by you and your child, respectively. Please follow the checklist for successful completion of the scholarship application.

1. The completed Michael J. Bobbitt Minority Scholarship Application 2017/18;
2. Proof and verification of your annual income (a 2016 tax return, a month of payroll stubs, or W-2);
3. Student's most recent report card;
4. Two letters of recommendation from your child's arts or academic instructor about your child; and
5. A Declaration of Interest Essay, completed by your child.

Once your completed evaluation is reviewed ATMTC staff will schedule the student's audition and interview. Students must prepare a musical theater audition with **two** of the following three options: a full musical song, monologue, 1 min 30 sec dance combination (accompanist will be provided, but student must bring sheet music). After completed audition, both student and a parent will have a brief interview with the scholarship panel.

The accompanying letters of recommendation should not be from a family member, but should be written by someone who is familiar with your child and your family. A teacher, fine arts instructor, counselor or minister would make an excellent reference.

Please Note: If you are applying for more than one child, we must have a separate application packet for each child. If necessary, please make extra copies of the application.

All records and financial information provided are confidential and are reviewed by our scholarship committee, made up of Michael J. Bobbitt and/or the ATMTC Academy staff.

Applications will not be accepted if postmarked after Friday, August 11, 2017 for Fall consideration/Friday, January 5, 2018 for Spring consideration. Financial Aid recipients will be notified by telephone or email by a member of our Scholarship Committee before the start of Fall Classes on September 18, 2017/or Spring classes on February 5, 2018. Scholarship recipients and parents are required to sign a contract detailing student responsibilities. Failure to comply with contract requirements will result in loss of award.

All applications must contain all required materials. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated and will be returned to you. Please submit completed application packet and address any further questions to:

Via Email
registrar@adventuretheatre-mtc.org

By Mail
Registrar
c/o ATMTC
837 D Rockville Pike, Rockville MD. 20852



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Scholarship Application 2017/18

Please complete the required information in order to assist us in processing your child's 2017/18 application. All forms and financial information contained within will be confidentially reviewed by the scholarship committee. Please make sure all parts of the application are complete. **Your request will not be processed until we have all the required information, including your child's declaration of interest essay, your child's most recent report card, two letters of recommendation, proof of income, and this application form.**

Return materials to Registrar, postmarked no later than Friday, August 11, 2017 for Fall consideration/Friday, January 5, 2018 for Spring consideration. Appropriate materials may be received by Email: registrar@adventuretheatre-mtc.org or by Mail: ATMTC, 837 D Rockville Pike. Rockville, MD. 20852.

Applicant Information

Child's First Name:		Child's Last Name:	
Home Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
Child's Age & Gender:	M F	Child's birth date:	
Child's Grade (2017/18):		Name of School:	

Parent/Guardian Information

Parent 1 First Name:		Parent 1 Last Name:	
Parent 1 Home Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
Parent 1 Home Phone:	Parent 1 Cell Phone:	Parent 1 Business Phone:	
Parent 1 Email:		Parent 1 Occupation:	
Parent 1 Employer:		Employer's Phone:	
Single Parent Household? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			

Parent 2 First Name:		Parent 2 Last Name:	
Parent 2 Home Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
Parent 2 Home Phone:	Parent 2 Cell Phone:	Parent 2 Business Phone:	
Parent 2 Email:		Parent 2 Occupation:	
Parent 2 Employer:		Employer's Phone:	

Financial Information

Number of Adults living in Applicant's household:	Number of Children under 18 living in Applicant's household:
Total Annual wages of all working adults in household (before taxes):	Other Income (Child Support, Public Assistance, Unemployment, etc.):
Any extraordinary monthly expenses- please explain (Additional sheet with explanation may be submitted if needed):	

Please attach a copy of 2016 tax return, a month of payroll stubs, or W-2 as proof of income.



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Declaration of Interest Essay 2017/18

Ages 6-8	Ages 9-13	Ages 14-18
<p>Directions: Answer the question using complete sentences on a separate piece of paper. Then, on the back or on a separate sheet of paper, draw a picture of yourself doing that favorite artistic activity! Don't forget to write your name and age at the top of your essay.</p> <p>Be creative: use color, glitter, tissue paper, whatever excites you!</p> <p>Tell us about your favorite artistic activity: Do you enjoy singing, dancing, acting, drawing? What do you like most about it?</p>	<p>Directions: Answer the question using paragraph form on a separate piece of paper. Then, on the back or on a separate sheet of paper, draw a picture of yourself on stage performing in a musical at ATMTC! Don't forget to write your name and age at the top of your essay.</p> <p>Be creative: use color, glitter, tissue paper, whatever excites you!</p> <p>Why do you think it would be fun to be in a musical production? If you have been in one before, what did you enjoy?</p>	<p>Directions: Write a 200 word essay regarding the topic below. Your essay must be typed, double spaced & in 12 point font. Type your name and age at the top of the essay.</p> <p>Research a famous musical theater artist / performer you admire, then answer the following prompt:</p> <p>How does this person inspire you to be a part of a musical production?</p>

Financial Aid Income Eligibility Chart for 2017-18

* Yearly Income must fall at or below the following thresholds.

Financial Aid Income Thresholds		
Median Income Percentages as Reported by HUD		
(Effective 06/6/16)		
Household Size	Yearly Income Eligibility for Full Scholarship (50% of Median Income)	Yearly Income Eligibility for Partial Scholarships (80% of Median Income)
1	\$38,050	\$60,880
2	\$43,450	\$69,520
3	\$48,900	\$78,240
4	\$54,300	\$86,880
5	\$58,650	\$93,840
6	\$63,000	\$100,800
7	\$67,350	\$107,760
8+	\$71,700	\$114,720

Please note that all Scholarships are conferred at the sole discretion of Michael J. Bobbitt and the Scholarship Panel. We look forward to receiving applications and hope to have you join us at Adventure Theatre MTC!

~ The ATMTC Staff