

Ruth A. Waters Performing Arts Scholarship

2026 Application

RiverTowne Players

Application Deadline: April 10, 2026

Investing in the Next Generation of Artists

RiverTowne Players is committed to encouraging, promoting, and investing in the future of the arts. Each year, three graduating high school seniors are awarded scholarships to support continued education in the performing arts.

A total of **\$5,000** in scholarship funding is awarded annually:

- Scholarship Recipient
- First Runner-Up
- Second Runner-Up

Recipients will be recognized at their school awards ceremony and at a RiverTowne Players summer production.

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be a current graduating high school senior
- Plan to pursue a major in a performing arts or a related field
- Demonstrate meaningful involvement in theatre, music or the performing arts

Eligible areas of study may include: theatre performance, technical theatre, design, stage management, film, audiovisual production, musical theatre, dance, arts education, music performance, music theory, a musical instrument or related disciplines.

Applicant Information

First Name:

Last Name:

Date of Birth:

Home Address:

City, State, Zip:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

High School:

Cumulative GPA (Official Transcript Required)

College/University you plan to attend:

Intended Major:

Awards Assembly Date at your high school:

Theatre & Performing Arts Involvement

Please list productions, performances, technical roles, or arts-related activities.
(Attach additional page if needed.)

Definitions:

Production/Activity: name the show and the activity you were involved with
(Acting/Stage/Props/Costumes/Sound/Lights/Set etc.)

Role: If performing in the show name the role

Theater/School/Organization: List the sponsoring Organization,
(RTP/NBCT/NBHS/Havelock High, etc.)

Year: What year was the event

Number	Production/Activity	Role	Theater/School/Organization	Year
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Theatre Honors & Awards-List any honors or awards you received that are theater/dance/orchestra/band/chorus related

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Community Involvement-List any community related programs in which you have been involved. (Service/Leadership/Extracurricular/Other) Add additional pages if needed.

Personal Essay (2 pages double-spaced)

- The impact the arts have had on your life
- Your educational and artistic goals
- How you hope to remain involved in the arts in the future

(Submit as a separate typed document.)

Submission Instructions

Please submit:

- Completed application
- Personal essay
- Official Transcript
- College acceptance letter

DELIVERY OPTIONS

Email to: RTPTreasures@gmail.com

Mail to:

RiverTowne Players
P.O. Box 796
New Bern, NC 28563

Hand Deliver to Rivertowne Players Theater in a sealed envelope. There is usually someone at the theater Mon-Thurs between 1:00 pm and 4:30 PM

Applications must be received by April 10, 2026.