

# HERCC

HIGHER EDUCATION RESEARCH & CREATIVE CONFERENCE

## Replenish & Recast: Blueprints to Breakthroughs

WRITE THE



Sept. 30th-Oct. 3rd  
At Theatrefest

Moody Gardens Galveston, TX

**When: Sept. 30th-Oct 1st**

**Where: Theatrefest - Galveston Moody Gardens**

**Why did we join back up with Theatrefest?**

- With budgets getting tighter, we wanted to make sure that our Higher Education Members get the biggest bang for their buck.
- With one Registration fee you will get:
  - HERCConference
    - Sept. 20th & October 1st
  - Theatrefest - October 1st - 3rd
  - Collegiate Auditions - October 1st - 3rd
    - Auditors (2-year & 4-year Faculty/Staff)
    - Auditioners
      - (2-year Transfer Students)

**What is HERCC?**

- The purpose of the Higher Education Research & Creative Conference is to provide a forum for scholars, teachers, students, professionals, and others interested in the scholarly inquiry of theatre-related topics.
- Attendees gather to present papers, roundtable discussions, and poster/digital presentations and discuss the ideas set forth as a group, thus creating an opportunity to share ideas and promote scholarship in the academic and professional theatre community.
- While special consideration is given to submissions intersecting with the determined annual theme, scholarly research presentations focusing on any topic relating to all aspects of theatre studies are welcomed.

## Who would benefit from attendance at HERCC at Theatrefest?

- Presenters:
  - Researchers
  - Creative Discovery and Development Professionals
  - Higher Education Students
    - All tracks are encouraged
  - Higher Education Faculty and Staff
  - Fine Arts Administrators
  - Future Theatre Educators
- Apply to Present:
  - Find out all you need to know here.
    - [Call for Presentation Submissions Information Page](#)
    - [Presentation Application Form](#)

## What is the Scholarly Debut Paper Project?

- This competition is an excellent way for students to receive recognition for their academic work. It also showcases the vitality of Texas theatre scholarship and the superlative job instructors at all levels are doing in the twenty-first century!
- The winners receive:
  - Acceptance to present their paper at the Annual Higher Education Research & Creative Conference (HERCC) at Lone Star College - Kingwood (May 28 - May 30, 2025)
  - CASH PRIZE:
    - \$300 for first prize
    - \$200 for second prize
    - \$100 for third prize
  - Publication in the next volume of Texas Theatre Journal
  - Complimentary Registration for HERCC
  - Award Recognition at HERCC & TheatreFest
- Any paper written from August of 2024 to April of 2025 is eligible.
- Must be a member of TxETA by the time of Submission
- Application Info:
  - [Scholarly Debut Papers Project Information Page](#)
  - [Scholarly Debut Papers Project Application](#)

## Where to stay?

- Moody Gardens - Galveston
  - 130 Northpark Plaza Dr., Kingwood, TX 77339
  - [Direct link to Moody Gardens' Reservation](#)

## Registration?

- NOW OPEN ([click here](#))
- Must be an active member of TxETA
  - Don't worry - you can join today!

**Tentative Schedule: (subject to change)**

**Wednesday**

4:00pm - 8:00pm HERCCOnference & HERCC Keynote Speaker

8:00pm Higher Ed. Social - "The Spot" Galveston

**Thursday**

8:00:am -12:00pm HERCConference

12:00pm-1:00pm HERCConference & Auditions Intro Luncheon for Higher Ed Faculty/Staff

1:30pm – 2:00pm Check-in at the Audition Information Desk

2:00 pm – 4:00pm Technical Audition at Designfest Area

4:15pm Technical Audition and Theatre Education Callbacks Posted

4:30pm - 6:00pm Technical Audition and Theatre Education - Auditions Room

**Friday**

8:20am Check-in for the first audition group at the Audition Information Desk

\*Audition Groups will be assigned via email with the auditioners' audition number closer to convention

\*Auditioners will check in 15 minutes prior to their Audition Group call time

8:40am – 11:30am Acting Auditions

11:45pm Acting Auditions Callbacks Posted

12:30pm-2:00pm Acting Callbacks

2:15 pm - 4:30pm TxETA Musical Theatre Audition Workshop (confirm with your convention schedule!)

**Saturday**

8:10am Check-in for the first audition group at the Audition Information Desk

\*Audition Groups will be assigned via email with the auditioners' audition number closer to convention

\*Auditioners will check in 15 minutes prior to their Audition Group call time

8:30am - 10:15am Musical Theatre Auditions

10:30am Musical Theatre Callbacks Posted

10:45am - 12:45pm Musical Theatre Callbacks

2:00pm DesignFest/Technical Audition Exhibit Load-out