

The Sackets Harbor Historical Society

Announces

10 Minute Play Contest

Write a ten-minute play, not a skit, about some historic importance to Sackets Harbor (battles, people, events, military history, Native American history, inventions, etc.). Historical context is necessary and information must be historically accurate but use your imagination. Realism is not necessary. Research may be done anywhere but here are some vetted sites: Sackets Harbor Battlefield Alliance - <http://www.sacketsharborbattlefield.org> and Sackets Harbor Historical Society - <http://sacketsharborhistoricalsociety.org>

- SHHS may choose to produce or have stage readings for winner and finalists.
- Submission fee of \$10 with awards:
 - \$100 for 1st (finalist may be chosen for stage reading or full production)
 - \$50 for 2nd (finalist may be chosen for stage reading or full production)
 - \$25 for 3rd (finalist may be chosen for stage reading or full production)
- **Entries must be received by midnight September 30, 2017. The first 50 entries will be highly considered.** Winners and Finalists will be announced by October 20, 2017 via email and on the SHHS website. One submission per playwright. Plays must be in English, or have been translated into English. SHHS does not offer critiques.
- Plays may be Comedy, Drama, Satire, Fantasy or Poetry. No adaptations or musicals or children's theatre. Maximum 4 actors but no limit to number of characters with actors doubling parts— no elaborate props. Minimal production requirements and quick setup necessary.
- Submit scripts in "American Play Format"
- Write about some historic importance to Sackets Harbor (battles, people, events, military history, Native American history, inventions, etc.).
- Playwrights must hold the copyright. Legal clearance of materials not in public domain is the playwright's responsibility. Previously produced plays are accepted, published plays are not. Playwrights are obligated to inform SHHS if their play becomes published after submission. Plays with any contractual commitments,

which restricts SHHS in any way, are not accepted. SHHS reserves the right to decide what is restrictive.

- Include the following on the Title page: your Name, Address, Phone Number and e-mail – On the 2nd page: Cast List, Location/Time; historical reference of the play
- The Sackets Harbor Historical Society reserves the right to cancel the competition if not enough plays meet the mandate and artistic caliber required for presentation. If canceled, an announcement will be made via e-mail and on the website.
- Winning playwright must acknowledge the SHHS in all future productions.
- Multiple playwrights/Translators on a single play will divide the award equally (unless they request a different division).
- **NO PRODUCTION GUARANTEED.** SHHS, as producers, have the discretion to produce plays depending on production requirements and complexity of sets. SHHS may choose to produce or have stage readings for winner and finalists. The winning playwrights will be invited to attend. **Travel and accommodations will not be provided.**
- Click on the "SUBMIT" Tab for instructions on how to submit your play.