COLLIN COLLEGE | Theatre Department

Call for Writers, Directors, and Designers!
Little Gems 2027 – "Mysteries and Dreams"
an evening of original works

May 5-8, 2027 / Black Box Theatre, Plano Campus

directed by Joanne Zipay and Student Directors

Back by popular demand! This unique and delightful evening of theatre features a brand-new program of original short works that are written, directed, acted, and designed by our students and the members of our community. Don't miss these "little gems" that are bound to reveal sparkling, unexpected treasures and showcase the potential shining stars of the future!

Writers: Call for Submissions!

Seeking original works; show us your best writing!

SCRIPTS DUE JAN. 31, 2027 to jzipay@collin.edu

- plays, monologues, or other dramatic/comedic works of a theatrical nature
- on the theme of "Mysteries and Dreams" (whatever that means to you)
- 10 minutes or less (limit 12 pages)
- cast must employ no more than 5 actors
- use **proper play script format** in 12 point font (Times Roman or Arial)
- include character list, setting, design/tech requirements
- must adhere to Collin College Student Code of Conduct
- must not disrespectfully portray any cultural groups or individuals
- writer may not act in their own piece if it uses more than one actor
- writers may not direct their own works
- works selected (by Theatre Faculty) will be announced by Feb. 28, 2027

Directors and Designers [Sets/Props, Lights, Sound, Costumes]: Get your application now!

[Note: Designers to utilize UIL set pieces and minimal available stock costumes and props.]

EMAIL jzipay@collin.edu in advance for an application to design and/or direct.

APPLICATIONS DUE FEB. 15, 2027 to jzipay@collin.edu.

Candidates selected (by Theatre Faculty) will be announced by March 1, 2027.

PLEASE NOTE: ***This is a non-paying show. Roles are open to current students, alumni, and the community; however, all participants must be enrolled in either a credit Theatre Practicum or a non-credit CE Theatre Practicum section. Contact the director for more information:*** jzipay@collin.edu.

Little Gems auditions (open to ALL) March 22-23 – complete information will be posted on our website.

ROLES TBD based on plays selected: All roles are open. We seek diversity in casting, including all ethnicities, ages, and genders – all will be considered for all roles. Audition for the role you want!

No experience necessary.

You can also join tech crews to work backstage, build scenery, usher, etc.!

For any questions, contact Professor Joanne Zipay at jzipay@collin.edu

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