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2017 Science Drama Awards

Entry Information Kit

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Section A-Entrant Information

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2017 KEY DATES		Presenting on stage <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Two minutes is allowed for set up and pack up before and after the performance. 2. Performances may be performed against a black or white background. 3. Lighting requirements must be simple. 4. All props must be removed in the two minute period. 5. Performers and their supporting staff are responsible for assembling, positioning, dismantling and removing stage props. All props, etc. must be collected immediately after the show concludes. Items not collected after 20 minutes will be placed outside. Neither Blackburn High School or Science Drama accepts any responsibility for any damaged or lost items.
18 May	Entry form due to STAV	
18 May	Entry Information Kits sent upon receipt of entry form	
7 August	DVD entries and kit due to STAV	
8-11 August	Preliminary Judging Day	
17 August	Finalists notified and Kits sent	
14 September	Finalists Performance-2017 Science Drama Awards Night Blackburn High School, 60 Springfield Rd Blackburn	
CONTACTS Coordinator Joanna Alexander Blackburn High School Phone: (03) 8804 6464 Email: alexander.joanna.j@edumail.vic.gov.au STAV Office Annette McKenna 5 Munro Street Coburg Vic 3058 Postal Address: PO Box 109 Coburg Vic 3058 Phone: (03) 9385 3904 Email: admin@stav.vic.edu.au		Developing Your Entry Performance Styles Performances should appeal to a broad audience and the styles may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drama • Musical representation • Mime • Interpretation through dance • Comedy sketch • Current affairs documentary • Poem • Narration • Song
PERFORMANCE GUIDELINES General Rules <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Victorian students in primary and secondary schools are eligible to enter. 2. Schools may submit more than one entry. 3. The duration of the performance should be no longer than 10 minutes. 4. A performance may include up to 30 students. 5. Each performance must be managed by a coordinator (teacher in charge) who is responsible for active liaison with the Science Drama Committee. 6. Background music and songs produced by students can be freely used. 		STEM/Scientific concept/Scientific Issue You are encouraged to select a topic that you are interested in to demonstrate your understanding and knowledge of STEM or a scientific concept or an issue in science. Performance sources may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An episode in history • A current issue either locally or globally • Latest discoveries or research theories • Exposition of a scientific concept • How science impacts on our everyday life • Major discoveries and their impact • Contemporary scientific issues • The life and contributions of scientist/s • Scientific method

Section A-Entrant Information

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Possible Topics

- Global Warming
- Renewable Energy
- Digestion
- The Periodic Table
- Carbon dioxide-friend or foe
- Photosynthesis
- Light
- Metal Rocks
- Albert Einstein
- The life of blood
- Good compost
- Minibeasts
- Nanotechnology
- Evolution
- Marie Curie the mother of x-rays
- Stem cells
- Diabetes
- Immunity
- Genetically Modified Food

Teacher's Role

The teacher's role is to:

- Facilitate the whole process
- Encourage, inspire and motivate the students to express their ideas and understandings
- Support students in developing their script writing
- Advise the students with all aspects of the performance including the music, sound tracks
- Seek assistance from other teachers and staff within the areas of: Maths, Science, Drama, Music, English, Art
- Provide opportunities for rehearsals and feedback on the performance

Secondary students usually develop their presentations with some degree of independence. Supervising teachers need to assume the role of Executive Producer who ensures all set guidelines are met.

SCRIPT WRITING GUIDELINES

Four copies of the script must be submitted and be in black text. We encourage the teacher submitting the script to check it carefully.

We recommend that the script follow the outline below:

Narrator: Good evening ladies and gentleman.
We would like to tell you a story about evolution. Once upon a time.....

Front curtain opens

Lights up when the curtain is fully open

Narrator: ...The planet Earth was not like it is today. People lived in caves.....

Music: Track 1

Narrator:Neanderthal People roamed the Earth.....

Music: Track 2

Etc,

JUDGING CRITERIA

Preliminary Judging of DVD Entry

The 10 minute performance must be recorded on a DVD that is playable on a computer or DVD player. The first stage of judging will occur with the DVD entry and the judges will be assessing the performance on the following criteria:

- Depth, accuracy and clarity of the scientific knowledge of: STEM, scientific concept, scientific issue
- Participation level
- Creativity of the performance (including costumes and props)
- Level of engagement

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Performance Judging Criteria

Scientific knowledge of STEM/CONCEPT/ISSUE

- Depth, accuracy and clarity of the topic being explored

Participation level

- All participants have a role in the performance

Creativity and quality of the performance (including costumes and props)

- Design and construction of sets/props
- Quality of the acting, singing, pace and timing of the performance

Level of engagement

- Translation of scientific knowledge into a dramatically effective performance

Past Judges

Pennie Stoyles, Scienceworks Museum
Katrina Flemming, Action Youth Theatre
Phil Batterham, University of Melbourne
Rod Fawns, University of Melbourne
Andi Horvath, Melbourne Museum
Wendy Williams, Department of Industry and Regional Development
David Trotter, CSIRO

AWARDS AND PRIZES

Primary School **Award**

Secondary School **Award**

ENTRY DETAILS FORMS

Each DVD must be accompanied by an original copy of the Entry Details Form (see page 6).

PERFORMANCE SUMMARY FORM

Four (4) copies of this form must be submitted with each DVD. Each section must be completed fully. If an entry becomes a successful finalist the details on the form may change if needed (see page 7).

SCIENCE DRAMA AWARDS DVD

Each year the Science Drama Awards are filmed and a DVD is produced for sale to students, parents and teachers.

VENUE

Blackburn High School
60 Springfield Road Blackburn 3130

Section B-Entry Checklist

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Please tick each of the following items to indicate that they have been completed
Entrants should keep pages 1 to 4 and submit pages 5 to 7 (four copies of each) to STAV

SCIENCE DRAMA AWARDS ENTRY DETAILS FORMpage 6

- Photo/DVD release –permission give
 - Principal/Teacher in charge signatures
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PERFORMANCE SUMMARY SHEETpage 7

- Script and other supportive material ie: music, copy of lyrics attached (four copies of each)
 - School name and title of performance
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DVD OF PERFORMANCE

- Labelled with school name, title of performance, Student Year levels and date
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CHECKLIST

- Signed (see below)

School Name:

Title of Performance:

Name of teacher in Charge:

Signature of teacher in Charge:

Mobile phone number of Teacher in Charge:

Date:

PLEASE SEND THIS CHECKLIST, DVD ENTRY AND PAGES 5-7 TO STAV BY 8 AUGUST 2017



ADDRESS TO STAV:
2017 Science Drama Awards
STAV OFFICE
PO Box 109
Coburg VIC 3058

Section B-DVD Entry Details

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SCHOOL DETAILS

School Primary Secondary F-12

Year Level/s involved

School Name

School Type Government Catholic Independent Other

Region Eastern Metro Northern Metro Southern Metro Western Metro
 Grampians Barwon Gippsland Hume Mallee

School Address

Suburb Postcode

School Phone no. Fax

TEACHER IN CHARGE-CONTACT DETAILS (must be completed in full)

Name

Email

Phone no. (after hours) Mobile

Teacher's signature

COPYRIGHT CLEARANCE

1.Photo and DVD Release

Photographs and DVD taken at the Science Drama Awards remain copyright of STAV and as such may be used to promote the awards. It is the responsibility of the school to inform parents and obtain permission from them.

Signed:

Principal's Name Principal's signature Date

2.Script

STAV retains the right to reproduce scripts to promote the awards. STAV will acknowledge the authors.

Signed:

Principal's Name Principal's signature Date

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Section B-Performance Summary

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Title of Performance:

Number of students involved in the Performance:

Technical Requirement:

Outline on your script the light and sound cues. List below any technical equipment that you will be using. Please keep your equipment as basic as possible. You may be required to bring some of this equipment with you. Data projectors are not to be used.

Equipment List:

List any equipment you will need eg. Tables, chairs. The Stage Managers will do their best to meet these requirements.

Acknowledgements:

Description of the Performance-Blurb for the Program

A maximum of 100 words that is suitable for publication in our program.
