



SENIOR THEATRE
USA

2012 Festival & Conference

in **New Orleans** at Harrah's New Orleans Hotel & Casino

Group Leaders & Performers Plan Ahead

RESPOND NOW! Register and Secure Your Room

Laissez les bon temps rouler! In the language of the Big Easy, that means – let the good times roll.

Save the Date and plan your next Vacation with Us!

June 3-7, 2012 (Harrah's New Orleans Hotel & Casino)

Come with us to the heart and soul of New Orleans. Imagine a place where wishes are fulfilled, where captivating workshops, chorales, plays, musicals, food and culture of the city create a perfect symphony for the senses. Senior Theatre USA has found such a place at Harrah's Casino in New Orleans. Located in the heart of the Crescent City and steps from the historic French Quarter, Harrah's New Orleans Casino Theatre rivals the grandeur of a Vegas style theatre.

This is your moment to discover new concepts in theatre, dance, choral music and performance. This is your chance to captivate your audience. As an individual or group, this festival is for you. Excitement, dining, great plays, dance and choral music are at the core of this vibrant festival. Enjoy chorale and theatre offerings from the many groups representing the very best in senior theatre and discover skill building workshops designed to help you perform at your very best.



The New Orleans Recreation Development Commission and the New Orleans Ballet Association will open the festival kick-off Sunday night, June 3, 2012. Photo: Previous production of "The Nutcracker Suite" (Photo by Patti Perret)

Advocates:
Senior Theatre USA

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Community College of Baltimore County
Campbell House Museum, St Louis, MO
Ohio University
University of Nevada, Las Vegas



Keynote Speakers:



Dr. Stuart Kandell, nationally acclaimed director of Stagebridge, has been called a "pioneer in the field of creative aging". A founding Board member for the National Center for Creative Aging based in Washington, D.C., he and his work have been featured on CNN, World Monitor TV and PBS. Dr. Kandell's workshops will focus on storytelling and intergenerational theatre.



Jeanne Kelly spotlights a new track for ST-USA. In addition to workshops featuring skill building activities, Ms. Kelly will conduct the festival chorale concert performed by all the festival singers. (E-mail Arne Lindquist, alindquist@ccbcmd.edu, for a CD copy of the music to be rehearsed.) She is the founder of Encore Creativity for Older Adults which has performed at such venues as the White House and Kennedy Center. Participating choral groups will have an opportunity to perform their favorite pieces and receive Ms. Kelly's appraisal.

Workshops Galore!

Performing opportunities! and yes, even more workshops than ever before. Playwriting, Comedy, Musical Theatre, Memorization Techniques, Life Writing, Living History & more are back, but **LOOK WHAT'S NEW:** Intergenerational Theatre, Chorale Singing, and Dance for everyone. (For the full list of workshop topics and facilitators go to www.seniortheatreusa.com.)

Choreographer **Roger Wade** will direct the festival dance track. Dancers will enjoy the morning workshops and resulting performance opportunity, a culminating event of the festival. As a principal dancer, Mr. Wade has toured North/Central/South America, the British Isles and Russia including a national US tour of *Fiddler on the Roof*. A National Country Couples Champion, he also has USISTD Ballroom/Latin certification.

Come Perform for Us!

Let the country see what your performers do best. There's nothing like the thrill of performing in front of an enthusiastic audience of seniors from around the world.

Wait 'til you see these prices!

- Festival Registration is a mere \$150.
- The luxurious Harrah's Hotel is only \$119 per night plus taxes or:
- Double-occupancy is \$59.50 per person plus taxes
- Triple-occupancy is \$50 per person plus taxes
- Quad-occupancy is \$45 per person plus taxes

There are only 120 rooms available at the festival price. Reserve rooms NOW!
Call Harrah's New Orleans Hotel & Casino: 1-800-427-7247 or 1-800-Harrahs
Register using the FESTIVAL CODE: S06USAF

Festival & Conference
Registration Form

Senior Theatre USA Learning & Performance Festival: **June 3-7, 2012**

Copy Form For Additional Applicants. One form for each person. Please type or print.

Name and Company: _____
E-mail Address: _____
Street Address / P.O. Box: _____
City / State / Zip / Country: _____
Phone and Fax: _____

Pre-registration deadline: May 3, 2012, Registration Fee: \$150 for all festival activities.

Late Registration Fee: additional \$50 after May 3, 2012.

Emergency Contact Information (Medical history letter):

Name of emergency contact _____ Phone number _____

Family physician _____ Phone number _____

(Optional) Please attach medical history letter to registration form. It should include allergic reactions to medications and any past illnesses or other information that would be useful in the event of a medical emergency. List all medications presently taken. List health insurance company and policy number.

Submit \$150 check payable to Senior Theatre USA, registration form and medical history letter to:
Senior Theatre USA, c/o Dolores Kane, 6226 Arendes Dr., St. Louis, MO 63116

Return the Upper Portion and Registration Fee to Senior Theatre USA.



Harrah's Hotel & Casino Reservations: Register Soon!

There are only 120 rooms available at the festival price:

- All rooms are fully equipped including refrigerators.
- Reservations can be made directly by calling toll-free 1-800 Harrahs or 1-800-427-7247.
- Please request the group rate for the Senior Theatre USA Festival, June 3-7, 2012. Group Code: S06USAF
- Deadline to register at the hotel: May 3, 2012.

Harrah's Hotel | 228 Poydras St. | New Orleans, LA 70130 | 1-800-Harrahs (1-800-427-7247)

Performance Festival & Conference at a Glance:

- Interested Facilitators, we are currently accepting workshop proposals of interest to senior performers, directors, technicians and playwrights. Applications will be posted on the Senior Theatre USA website www.seniortheatreusa.com.

Ballroom and Main Stage Performances:

- We are looking for a variety of performances - old and new, traditional and avant-garde.
- We encourage you to consider having your show screened for one of our three theatre locations.

Permission to Perform:

- Go to the Senior Theatre USA website for the performance submission form. www.seniortheatreusa.com.
- Apply for permission to perform as early as possible as theatre times will be assigned starting January 2012.
- No performance submission forms will be accepted after March 15, 2012.
- All permission forms are to be sent to Senior Theatre USA c/o Dolores Kane, 6226 Arendes Dr., St. Louis, MO 63116.

Entry Submissions:

- All performing groups must have written permission to perform the piece from the author(s), publisher, or licensing agency by festival time.

Questions?

For Festival Questions Email: **Dolores Kane** dkane1@swbell.net or **Arne Lindquist** alindquist@ccbcmd.edu