## **MPN 2021 Montana Premiere Project Script Submission Guidelines**

1. All members of the Montana Playwrights Network (MPN) may **submit one full length,** and one one-act script for consideration. You must be a current member to participate. Send us your best!

## **DEADLINE FOR ALL SUBMISSIONS: August 1, 2020.**

- 2. Your entry must be original, in English, and not accepted by any other publisher or producer for full production in 2020-21.
- 3. Script submissions **should NOT** include the writer's name, address, etc., or any identifying marks on the manuscript indicating authorship. Copyrights are protected and retained solely by the author. Preliminary judges will read only 'blind' submissions with no identifying marks and will not retain copies once evaluations are completed. Participating theatre producers will also read only blind submissions. Selected works require permission in writing from the playwright prior to receiving an award.
- 4. Each submission must be accompanied by a completed entry form. (Submission form may be hand written and must be legible.)
- 5. Manuscripts must be typed and submitted electronically as either Word documents or pdf. Play script software templates must be translated to Word or PDF format; otherwise the entry will be disqualified
- 6. Submit your entry to: <a href="mailto:montanaplaywrights@gmail.com">montanaplaywrights@gmail.com</a>, and label your email subject line as "MPN 2019 RP Submission." <a href="mailto:DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: August 1, 2020">DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: August 1, 2020</a>.
- 7. A hard copy entry must be printed on 8.5 x 11 white paper single sided. Follow specific guidelines for standard manuscript play scripts below. No handwritten entries, please. Hard copies may be mailed with a completed submission form for each entry to: Montana Playwrights Network; PMB 2052; 1 Jackson Creek Road; Clancy, MT 59634. Mailed entries must be three hole punched and placed in a binder and postmarked by August 1, 2020.
- 8. The Montana Playwrights Network is not liable for any copyright infringement on the part of the entrant and will not become involved in copyright disputes. The Montana Playwrights Network reserves the right to reject work deemed unsuitable for performance or that does not meet all named criteria.
- 9. Play scripts must be typed in standard manuscript format for plays. Published format is **NOT accepted and will not be considered.** Type size is 12 point, and use Times New Roman as font. (For detailed guidelines for standard manuscript format, email inquiry to <a href="mailto:montanaplaywrights@gmail.com">montanaplaywrights@gmail.com</a>.)
- 10. No Character limit: keep in mind that larger casts or elaborate technical requirements may inhibit producers from being able to choose your play.