

Call for Plays

College of Saint Mary

College of Saint Mary is accepting one act play submissions for the New Works Initiative.

The selected script will be published in the 2022 edition of The Saint Mary's Review. The playwright of the selected script will receive a \$250 guest lecture stipend and will join the cast via Zoom for table work. The winning script will receive a staged reading in Spring of 2022. The staged reading will be performed live and also recorded for digital release.

Spring 2022 – College of Saint Mary – One Act Play Theme:

The College of Saint Mary seeks one act plays with an emphasis on code switching. Code switching is a broad term, please feel free to approach the topic as you see fit. We are particularly interested in scripts that incorporate more than one language, with an emphasis on the inclusion of Spanish. Scripts may address any theme as long as code switching is utilized.

Guidelines for Submission:

- For full consideration, one act scripts must be submitted before **Sunday, September 13, 2021.**
- Only one script per playwright will be accepted.
- Submission must include a 100-300 word description of how the script aligns with the CSM Mission.
- Submission must include a 100-300 word description of how the script aligns with the theme of this year's Call for Plays (Code Switching.)

Formatting:

- The script must provide a character breakdown.
- The script must provide a brief description of the setting.
- The script must be unpublished.
- The script must not have previously received a fully-mounted production.

Script Parameters:

- To best serve College of Saint Mary's entirely female undergraduate population, we are seeking scripts that can be produced with an all-female cast.
- Only one-act plays are being accepted.
- Estimated production run time should be 90 minutes or less.

Selection:

- Submissions will be vetted by a small committee of CSM faculty, students, and staff.
- The winner will be announced in Fall 2021.

How and Where to Submit:

- Script and Title Page must be submitted to: sklocke@csm.edu
 - Subject Line (New Works Initiative)
 - No other forms of submission will be accepted.
- Script:
 - Must be in 1 File
 - Must include: Play title, cast list, and setting description
 - Submission must include a 100-300 word description of how the script aligns with the CSM Mission.
 - Submission must include a 100-300 word description of how the script aligns with the theme of this year's Call for Plays (Code Switching.)
- Title Page:
 - Must include: Name, Address, Email, and Phone Number

Contact:

- Please forward all questions to:

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College of Saint Mary Mission

College of Saint Mary is a Catholic university providing access to education for women in an environment that calls forth potential and fosters leadership. Consistent with the works, values and aspirations of the Sisters of Mercy, this mission inspires us to:

- Excellence
 - We share a passionate commitment to Mission that drives us to achieve academic distinction, foster leadership and nurture the love of lifelong learning.
- Service
 - Our culture is characterized by our commitment to servant leadership and social responsibility where we strive to understand and attend to the needs of our community in a spirit of mutuality, addressing the concerns of our times.
- Dignity
 - Our profound respect for all creation calls us to honor the sacredness of one another, care for the earth and recognize the presence of God in all things.
- Compassion
 - In solidarity, we extend our spirit of mercy in all relationships, caring for the joys and sorrows, hopes and dreams of others.
- Inclusivity
 - Our welcoming and hospitable environment reflects a diverse collegial community that honors all cultures and cares for the global community.
- Integrity
 - We uphold the trust people place in us by demonstrating wholeness of character, stewarding the gifts we have been given and caring for the well-being of our body, mind and spirit.