American Association of Community Theatre
Region Report

Report of: Region III
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Upcoming State/Region Events/Activities:

Region III Festival: South Bend Civic Theatre, South Bend, IN
   April 17-19, 2009
   Adjudicators: Annette Procuiner -- Bala, Ontario, Canada
   Ron Ziegler -- Des Moines, Iowa
   Ron Cameron -- Mississauga, Ontario, Canada

Indiana

Indiana: State Festival – Muncie Civic Theatre, Muncie, IN
   March 27, 28, 29, 2009

Michigan

By Joanne Berry, State Contact

Michigan: State Festival - Monroe, Michigan
   February 27-March 1, 2009

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There was a well-attended Master Class in Directing held in August taught by CTAM President Art Nimitz.
"The Actor's Toolbox" (a Master Class in Acting) is scheduled for January, taught by Penny Notter.
Another Master Class in Directing ("Directing Musicals: Making the Pieces Fit") will be conducted by Leeds Bird next July.
Last July, Jerry Dennis taught a regional (area) workshop in building with cardboard. People from four theatre groups attended.

The 2008 Fall Conference at McGuire’s Resort in Cadillac was successful and people came away with a lot of new ideas and improved skills. Mary Lou Britton was the well-organized chair. Next fall conference's will also be at McGuire's during the last weekend in September. CTAM Executive Secretary Nancy Peska received the Robert A. McKenna Award, CTAM's most prestigious award during the conference. Wendy Galloway received the Outstanding Volunteer Award.
The Michigan AACTFest will be held in Monroe on Feb. 27-28 and Mar. 1. David Wahr is chair. The adjudicators are Joan Kole (IL), Bonnie Froelich (OH), and Larry Nielsen (MI).

CTAM’s annual scholarship auditions will be on March 8, hosted by Holland Civic Theatre.

**Wisconsin**

Wisconsin: State Festival – River Arts Center, Prairie du Sac, WI
February 27 - March 1, 2009
Hosted by the Sauk Prairie Theatre Guild

**Ohio**

Ohio: State Festival - Davis Performing Arts Center, Columbus, OH
February 20-22, 2009

**Illinois**

No Updates

**Interest Items:**

All participating states are adopting the “4 State Entries = 2 Advancing Shows to Regional” option.