

PITTSBURGH NEW WORKS FESTIVAL DEADLINE NEARS
\$500 award for best playwright

PITTSBURGH –March 17, 2009– There is still time to submit plays to the Pittsburgh New Works Festival. PNWF is accepting one-act plays that have never before been produced. Each of the 12 plays selected to be performed as mainstage productions for the festival's 19th season will receive a \$50 stipend; an additional six plays will be selected for staged readings. The playwright who receives the most votes for Outstanding Contribution by a Playwright in the balloting for the Donna Awards will receive \$500, to be awarded at the Gala in October.

Plays must be postmarked **ON OR BEFORE Saturday, April 4, 2009**. Plays previously submitted may be resubmitted, especially plays reworked based on comments received in previous years. Guidelines for play submission can be found at www.pittsburghnewworks.org.

Selection of plays for the festival will take place in mid-June.

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