

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

CATEGORY 1: SHORT PLAY

11TH – 23RD NOVEMBER 2019

SIX DEGREES AT A HOT MELBOURNE MARKET

GASWORKS ARTS PARK

Submission to **Category 1: Short Play** is restricted to Australian citizens and Australian permanent residents living in the state of Victoria. You must be a **current financial member** (either Associate or Full) of Melbourne Writers' Theatre to submit a script to Category 1. If you are not a current financial member, you are welcome to join MWT at the time of sending your submission. For the benefits of membership and to join MWT, visit our website page <http://melbournewriterstheatre.org.au/join-mwt/> Alternatively, send a brief email to **melbournewriterstheatre@gmail.com** and we'll join you up.

Submissions close: 5pm on TUESDAY 30th APRIL 2019

Please email your submission as a PDF attachment to:

melbournewriterstheatre@gmail.com

with: **SIX DEGREES AT A HOT MELBOURNE MARKET** in the subject header
and a brief note that includes your contact details.

This information will only be read by the Submissions Officer.

The fee per script is \$20.

Writers may submit up to FIVE scripts at \$20 each.

Please send proof of payment (eg. a scanned receipt or bank reference) with your submission.

Payment may be made via a direct deposit at any Westpac branch,

OR by electronic funds transfer into the following account:

Melbourne Writers' Theatre

BSB: 033-178

Account No. 118971

Please use your name as a reference.

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1. Your script must be an ORIGINAL, UNPRODUCED work of up to 15 minutes in length. Scripts with a duration longer than 15 minutes cannot be considered.
**Please time your script by reading it aloud, allowing for pauses, silence and action.*
2. Your script **MUST** address the following criteria:
SETTING: Scripts need to be set at the Queen Victoria Market (aka 'the Vic Market' in Elizabeth St, Melbourne) – at any time of the day or night, on a weekday or on the weekend, in any era.
THEME: Unexpected news
CHARACTERS: 2 – 3 characters max. They may be from any cultural or linguistic background and of any age, orientation, gender, and level of ability. When naming your characters, please choose from the following three names only: **Scamp, Andy, Kitty**.
3. Your script must be submitted as a BLIND read - ie. an anonymous script on which your name does not appear anywhere. This is to ensure a fair and just judging process that is based entirely on the script's merit rather than on any credentials the writer may have. Scripts containing the writer's name on any page of the script cannot be considered.
4. Scripts submitted in previous years may not be re-submitted.
5. Scripts received after **5pm on Tuesday 30th April** cannot be considered.
6. Please ensure that your script follows a conventional layout which includes: title page (**on which your name does not appear**); character list; SCRIPT typed in 1.5 spacing, 12pt font, numbered pages. Your title page should be free of images or decoration.
7. Our selector will not receive any details of the writer's identity until AFTER final selection has taken place.
8. A total of 4 scripts will be selected.
9. Selected writers will be announced on the MWT website on **Friday 14th June**.

Good Luck.



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