

# Atlanta UNIFIEDS 2019

Frequently Asked Questions/

More Information

### **Event Specifics**

- When is the 2019 Atlanta Unified Auditions? Auditions will take place from 10:00am to 4:45pm on Monday, March 18, 2019 and from 10:00am to 4:45pm on Tuesday, March 19, 2019. The location for this year is the Fine Arts Building at Georgia State University Clarkston Campus, 3735 Memorial College Ave, Clarkston, GA 30021.
- When is the Atlanta Unified Designer/Technician Meet & Greet? Attendance in the Designer Meet and Greet is optional for all designers and technicians who apply. All resumes submitted will be provided to participating theatres regardless of attendance. The in-person Designer Meet will take place Monday, March 18th from 1:00pm to 2:15pm. Additional information can be found on the "Designer Meet & Greet" page.

# **Eligibility**

• Who is eligible to apply for Atlanta Unifieds? Application to Atlanta Unifieds is open to current C4 Atlanta Basic Artist members. ALL applicants are required to hold a current C4 Atlanta Basic Artist Membership. Basic Artist Memberships are \$40 for the year, and you can register for this membership during the application process. All memberships must be active through April 1, 2018. Individuals who paid for membership between November 2017 and February 2018 (during registration for the 2018 Atlanta Unifieds) should renew their membership during the application process for the 2019 Unifieds. Note: Application to Unifieds is a benefit of Basic Artist membership only. Artists holding a C4 Atlanta Student Membership are not eligible to apply for Unifieds.

In order to apply as an actor in either the Equity, Non-Equity or Recent Grad divisions, you must meet the minimum requirements for that division in order to be considered for an audition slot. **All applicants MUST meet the Unified's minimum resume requirements.** These requirements differ by division and can be found in the "Resume" section of each division's application page.

Lastly, all applicants must be 18 or older, no exceptions.

#### C4 Atlanta Membership

Please note: Student Memberships do not qualify for Atlanta Unified Auditions

• What benefits does I receive with my C4 Atlanta Basic Artist membership? Great question. You' C4 Atlanta membership provides you with benefits year-round, well beyond the Unified Audition dates. Once you have paid for your C4 membership, you can begin accessing all of your benefits. Firstly, C4 membership supports the platform of services, tools and training available at C4 Atlanta to help

professional artists with their careers. C4 Atlanta's Artist membership is specifically created with the working artist in mind. Through our membership program C4 Atlanta **connects** you to other artists through classes and member gatherings, **amplifies your artistic voice** through advocacy work, and **creates** a thriving and healthy arts community. In addition, C4 Atlanta members have access to Members Only networking/exhibition opportunities, local discounts at participating art businesses, cross membership discount opportunities with other local non-profits, and more. Members have all the benefits needed to help you grow your artistic career. Some of our featured benefits include:

- Support of a local arts advocate group focused on the needs of individual Atlanta-based artists
- Discounts on C4 Atlanta professional development programming and courses
- o Invitations to artist potlucks and networking events throughout the year
- o Monthly Member Newsletter highlighting calls for artist, exhibition opportunities, & local events
- Member's Only Job and Audition Board
- Local Discounts to business including Binders Art Supply
- Cross Membership opportunities with MOCA Georgia
- Access to apply for health insurance through the Kaiser Permanente Bridge Program

C4 members support preserving tools and services to help Atlanta's creative economy flourish. Unifieds is not possible without the support of membership. The selection process and staff time dedicated to this program is expensive. Membership pays for more than just the actual date of the audition, and that is why we require it for all applicants.

We encourage all members to take advantage of their benefits. We are out in the field advocating on behalf of individual artists for affordable housing, fair wage, and so much more behind-the-scenes all year long. This work is possible because of members just like you!

# **Deadlines & Important Dates**

- What are the most important dates associated with Atlanta Unifieds? When are the deadlines?
  - Applications and Membership Fees Due: January 15, 2019 No Exceptions
  - o **Acceptance Notifications:** January 25, 2019
  - o 40 Printed Headshots & Resumes Due to C4 Atlanta: March 1, 2019
  - O Unified Auditions (Day 1) & Designer Meet & Greet: March 18, 2019
  - o Unified Auditions (Day 2): March 19, 2019

#### **Application/Audition Acceptance Questions**

- Where will the 2019 Atlanta Unifieds Auditions be held? The 2019 Atlanta Unified Auditions are being held at Fine Arts Building at Georgia State University Clarkston Campus, 3735 Memorial College Ave, Clarkston, GA 30021, which is ADA compliant and physically accessible.
- I got a confirmation email when I submitted my application. Does that mean I've been granted an audition slot? Applicants will receive confirmation by email that their application has been received. A CONFIRMATION OF RECEIVED APPLICATION DOES NOT GUARANTEE THAT YOU WILL RECEIVE AN AUDITION SLOT. Your application must still be reviewed by the selection committee.
- Are the applications "first come, first served"? Is there any benefit to submitting early? Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit applications early, however the application process is NOT 'first come first serve'. All completed applications received prior to the deadline that meet minimum requirements will be considered by the review committee.

- What happens if my application is incomplete? Due to the volume of applications C4 Atlanta receives, any incomplete application submissions which do not follow provided guidelines will not be considered by the review committee and result in an automatic disqualification of your application.
- My membership payment was returned for insufficient funds. What should I do? Applicants with membership payment returned for insufficient funds are responsible for make good on payment plus a \$35 administrative fee in order for the Basic Artist Membership to be processed & Unified applications to considered. Please contact <a href="mailto:unifieds@c4atlanta.org">unifieds@c4atlanta.org</a> to arrange for payment of your membership fee in order to have your application considered for 2019 Atlanta Unifieds. If your membership fee is not received by the application deadline of January 15, 2019, your application may be considered incomplete and will not be reviewed for consideration of an audition slot.
- The application deadline passed. Can I still apply? Applications received <u>after</u> the deadline of January 15, 2019 will NOT be considered under any circumstances. Sorry, no wait lists either.
- My contact information changed! How do I update my information? It is your responsibility to notify C4 Atlanta in writing of any changes to your contact information. It is important that we have your most up to date information on file in order to contact you regarding your application. Please email <a href="mailto:unifieds@c4atlanta.org">unifieds@c4atlanta.org</a> with any updates to your contact information as soon as possible to avoid any confusion or delays.
- I can no longer audition for 2019 Unifieds. What should I do? It is your responsibility to notify C4 Atlanta in writing if you are not able to audition and wish to either withdraw your application (prior to deadline) or, if accepted, cancel your audition. Actors who do not notify C4 Atlanta of their cancellation are marked as "no show" and risk not being invited to audition the following year. Please email <a href="mailto:unifieds@c4atlanta.org">unifieds@c4atlanta.org</a> with any updates to your contact information as soon as possible to avoid any confusion or delays.
- How many headshots and resumes do I need for Unifieds? When do they need to be received? If you are selected to audition at the Unified Auditions, you will be asked to submit approximately 40 headshots/resumes by March 1, 2019. The exact number of headshots required will be included in your acceptance letter. NO EXCEPTIONS will be made for late headshots. C4 Atlanta is not responsible for applications, notices or headshots lost/delayed by mail/delivery service. Directions for dropping off or delivering headshots will be sent to actors selected to audition for Unifieds along with your acceptance information.

#### **Selection Process**

- How does selection work? Interested actors must submit their applications for the 2019 Atlanta Unified Auditions by the January 15, 2019 deadline. An independent Selection Committee reviews the applications in all divisions and selects those invited for an audition. The Selection Committee is made up of theatre casting professionals from local Atlanta theatres who attend the Unified Auditions. C4 Atlanta staff is NOT part of the Selection Committee or selection process, nor do we choose or have input on any actors applying for Atlanta Unifieds. Actors selected for an audition slot will be notified of their acceptance and asked to accept their audition slot. Alternates may also be selected by the Committee so that all audition slots can be filled and as many actors as possible can be seen during the 2019 Atlanta Unified Auditions. People always drop out—and usually at the last minute.
- I perform all the time in Atlanta, why didn't I get chosen? Sometimes, depending on the selection committee, actors who are well known don't get chosen. It doesn't mean that you are not worthy. It means that there are many factors for the selection committee to consider. Unifieds is a professional development opportunity for actors. If you are performing a lot, congratulations! You probably don't

need to attend Unifieds. Auditors like to see new talent, or a different side of your talent, or they want to see people new to Atlanta. The committee also considers (but not limited to): diversity, age, special skills, type, and more. The goal is to have a selection pool that best represents the rich diversity of the Atlanta metro area.

- I received an alternate slot. Does this mean I probably won't be able to audition? No. In fact, while we cannot promise that you will be seen, it is very likely. As we approach the audition dates, we receive several cancellations due to illness, gigs getting booked, or other. We do our best to fit as many people in as humanly possible.
- Who is on the 2019 Atlanta Unifieds Selection Committee? At this time, the Atlanta Unifieds Selection Committee is still being determined. Once committee members have been selected, those on the committee will be announced online via the main Atlanta Unifieds page. The Selection Committee is made up of theatre casting professionals from local Atlanta theatres who attend the Unified Auditions. C4 Atlanta staff is never a part of the Atlanta Unifieds Selection Committee.

#### What's new this year?

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- New Location: The Atlanta Unified Auditions will now be held at the Fine Arts Building on the Georgia State University - Clarkston Campus. This new location offers more room, a warm-up space, and convenient parking for all involved.
- o **Expanded Designer Meet & Greet:** Back at this year's Atlanta Unifieds is the Designer Meet & Greet scheduled during lunch on the first day of Unified auditions. For anyone unable to attend the in-person Meet & Greet on Monday, March 18th from 1:00 pm to 2:15 pm, your digital resume and portfolio submissions will be made available to ALL auditing theatres who participate in 2019. Now with a new host location C4 Atlanta will be able to expand this program to allow for a more comfortable, yet professional atmosphere in which designers, stage managers, technicians, musicians, etc. have the opportunity to network with representatives and auditors from theatres across Atlanta and the Southeast.

#### **Payment and Membership Refund Policy**

• What is your payment and refund policy? Full membership payment is required to along with completed application and resume submission in order to be considered. Membership fees are not refundable under any circumstances. For any artist who applies and isn't accepted into an audition slot, please note that your resume and headshot will be made digitally available to all auditors and theatres who participated in 2019 Atlanta Unifieds. Additionally, you will maintain all additional benefits associated with C4 Atlanta's Basic Artist Membership.

# • Why do I have to pay for a membership if I didn't get selected?

Organizing the Unified Auditions for our community is a BIG job. There are expenses that need to be paid and most of those occur before selection ever happens: insurance, staff fees, website updates, paying for digital ads to promote the application, consultant fees, and many more. It may be better to think of the membership as an application fee or processing fee that comes with a free membership.

# **Past Participating Companies**

## • Who participates in Atlanta Unifieds?

# **Past Auditing Companies:**

- 7 Stages
- Academy Theatre
- Actor's Express
- ART Station Theatre
- Atlanta Shakespeare Company
- Aurora Theatre
- City Springs Theatre Company
- Dunwoody Methodist Church
- Essential Theatre
- Greenville Little Theatre
- Out Front Theatre Company
- Serenbe Playhouse
- Theatrical Outfit
- Warehouse Theatre
- Working Title Playwrights

- Alliance Theatre
- American Stage
- Centre Stage
- Children's Theatre of Charlotte
- Gabie Entertainment, LLC
- Georgia Aquarium
- Georgia Ensemble Theatre
- Horizon Theatre
- Laughing Matters
- Onion Man Productions
- Out of Box
- Springer Opera House
- Six Flags Over Georgia
- Synchronicity theatre
- Teller Productions
- Theatre Emory