

# THEATRE CALGARY'S STEPHEN HAIR EMERGING ACTOR AWARD

Theatre Calgary is pleased to announce the creation of an annual award of **\$2500** for emerging actors to be known as the **Stephen Hair Emerging Actor Award**. Mr. Hair has a distinguished career in the Canadian arts scene including 64 appearances on Theatre Calgary's stage, highlighted by his 15 consecutive years as Ebenezer Scrooge in our annual production of *A Christmas Carol*. We wish to acknowledge his contribution to Theatre Calgary's success by creating an award in his name.

The Stephen Hair Emerging Actor Award is designed to assist new actors from the Calgary region in the dawn of their acting careers. Nominees will typically have graduated from their technical training and have from 12 to 24 months acting experience. The selection process will be through a jury of three including Stephen Hair, Theatre Calgary's Artistic Director and one other senior artist appointed by the Theatre Calgary Board of Directors based on the recommendation of the two permanent jury members.

Applicants are encouraged to provide personal references and may apply for funding to cover a broad range of career development opportunities such as, but not limited to:

- personal development courses
- a specific project involving the artist
- funding for auditions
- help in taking an out of town role
- opportunity to understudy
- invitation to be mentored by a senior artist
- any form of professional development other than postgraduate degrees

*Awards will not be considered for production costs, company operating costs or non-actor related activities. The award is intended to advance the career of actors who have experienced some success and are seeking developmental opportunities to advance their careers.*

## Application Process

Application deadline for 2009 is **4:00pm (MST), Monday, May 25, 2009**. The adjudication process will take place following the deadline with the winner being announced in late spring. Applicants must provide information fully describing how the funds are to be used. In the case of collaborations or contractual work, appropriate documentation should accompany the application.

Applications may be submitted via email or in hard copy.

Please see the attached application form to apply for the award.



Stephen Hair  
Photo by Trudie Lee

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## 2009 APPLICATION FORM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

POSTAL CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

DAYTIME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EVENING / CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR ARTISTIC QUALIFICATIONS, DRAMA/ACTING SCHOOLS, COURSES ATTENDED:

Qualification/Degree

Establishment

Date Completed

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## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Please include a covering letter (of no more than one page) giving a complete description of how you intend to utilize the award.

Please tell us about yourself. In 1-2 pages total, answer the following questions:

**What is your passion for the theatre? Where does it stem from?**

**What are your artistic dreams, goals and aspirations for the future?**

Thank you for applying for the Theatre Calgary Stephen Hair Emerging Actor Award.

Please ensure that you submit your completed application form by 4:00pm on **MONDAY, MAY 25, 2009**.

Submit completed application form to:  
Theatre Calgary  
Attn: Stephen Hair Emerging Actor Award  
220 - 9th Avenue S.E., Calgary, AB, T2G 5C4

Or email to [swattling@theatrecalgary.com](mailto:swattling@theatrecalgary.com)

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