

THE SPIAN
TROUPE
GUIDE

Talon Theatre
Troupe #5524

WHAT IS A THESPIAN TROUPE ?

A Thespian Troupe is a part of the International Thespian Society and is the only theatre honor society for middle and high school students in the United States. Affiliation brings credibility and distinction to students, theatre programs, and schools. It is a visible, positive symbol of the quality of your theatre program.

ITS recognizes, rewards, and encourages student achievement and celebrates the work of students in all aspects of theatre - performance and production. Students gain community support, recognition, and event access (thespian festivals) At these festivals, students can compete in Thespys, the highest level of achievement in school theatre.

HOW DO I BECOME A MEMBER ?

To become a member you need to follow the "become a thespian" guide on the next page.

WHAT ARE POINTS ?

Points are a way to numerically calculate a students involvement and dedication to the theatre. To be initiated, students must have 10 points. Students continue to input their points once every semester. As points increase, new levels of recognition can be obtained. For example, an Honor Thespian has (60 points), a National Honor Thespian has (120 points), and an International Honor Thespian has (180+ points). Every point is roughly worth 10 hours of good theatre work. If you miss the meeting to input points, you will have to wait until the next semester to input your points. Points are only valid for a year if you do not input them.

B E C O M E A T H E S P I A N

1. Earn 10 Thespian Points, five of which must be earned through Talon Theatre. See attached point award category to see what you can earn points for.
2. Participate in one Talon Theatre Production, be enrolled in TAPA for a year, or be enrolled in a Theatre class during the school day. (Must have one of these).
3. Attend all Thespian General Meetings.
4. Keep track of our points throughout the semester.
Points will be submitted in this format on input day:
 a. SHOW/EVENT - ROLE/CREW - POINT #
5. To be inducted fall semester, you must attend the Thespian meeting on October 16th, where we will input all of our points into the system.
6. To be inducted at the spring induction ceremony, you must attend the Thespian meeting on March 11th to input all of your points into the system.
7. Once you have been approved by the thespian board, you will receive an invitation to the induction and receive an induction card which required a \$25 registration fee.
8. You must attend the induction ceremony to be inducted.
9. Once you are an inducted thespian, you will continue to input points every semester and are required to attend monthly meetings to maintain an active status.

P O I N T S H E E T

Acting	One-act	Full length
Major Role	4	8
Minor Role	3	5
Walk-on	1	2
Chorus/Ensemble	1	4
Dancer	1	4
Understudy	1	2
Performing Undersudy	2	4
Production	One act	Full length
Stage Manager	4	8
Assistant Stage Manager	3	6
Stage/Deck Crew	2	4
Lighting Technician	3	6
Set Designer	4	5
Set Construction	3	5
Costume Design	3	6
Costume Crew	2	5
Property Manager	3	5
Prop Crew	2	3
Sound Technician	3	5
Sound Crew	2	3
Video Editor	1.5	2
Makeup/Hair Designer	3	5
Makeup/ Hair Crew	2	3
Pianist	3	6
Musician	2	3
Business	One act	Full length
Publicity	3	5
Publicity Crew	2	3
House Manager	2	4
House Crew	1	2
Directing	One act	Full length
Director	4	8
Assistant Director/ Director's Apprentice	3	6
Vocal Director	3	6
Assistant Vocal Director	2	5
Assistant Orchestra Conductor	2	5
Student Choerographer	4	7
Assistant Choreographer/Dance Captain	3	5
Writing	One act	Full length
Original Play Produced	5	8
Original Script Produced	4	6
Misc.		
Thespy	2	
California State Thespian Festival	5	
International State Thespian Festival	10	
Weekend-long ISTA Festival	5	

P O I N T S H E E T

Full Length ISTA Festival	10
Assembly/Rally	1
Advocacy	1 pt per dey
Officers	
President	6
Vice President	5
Secretary	5
Treasurer	4
Historian	4
Tech Coordinator	4
Communications Liaison	4
Junior Troupe Liaison	4
Philanthropy Liaison	4
Other	
See a Show/Write a Review	0.5
Speak Up	8
Cappies Critic	8
TAPA (Per Semester)	4
Theatre Classes	8
IB Solo Theatre Project	1
IB Collab Project	1
Thespian Leadership Conference	1
Summer Programs/TAPA Counsler	2 per week
STO	8
ITO	10
Talon Theatre Cares	0.5
Junior Thespian	5

Extra Details!

To earn points for the Christmas show you must audition with proper paperwork, be selected by the director for a named role and follow through with the show to be eligible for points. If you are in TAPA, you may only receive points for the Christmas show if you are a named role, If you are not a named role, you are not eligible for points because ensemble participation is a requirement of the TAPA curriculum.

THE SPIAN BOARD LEADERSHIP

Every year the thespian board elects a new leadership board for the following year. To be on the board, you must be an inducted thespian.

See the following board leadership opportunities and current leaders for 23/24:

President: Jane Handa

Vice President: Charlie Goubran

Secretary: Alyssa McCarty

Treasurer: Elizabeth Cheramie

Historian: Jorja Garrett

Philanthropy Liaison: Lucille Stiles and Robbie Troyan

Junior Troupe Liaison: Erin Meihaus and Armon Alemzadeh

Tech Theatre Coordinator: Amber Breit

Communications: Sarah Atia and Raelyn Spooner

THE SPIAN GENERAL MEETINGS 2023 - 2024

Monday, August 28th @2:35pm

- New student information meeting

Monday, September 18th @2:35pm

Monday, October 16th @2:35pm

- State Festival Paperwork Distributed
- Point Update Meeting for Fall Induction

Monday, November 13th @2:35pm

- ITF Paperwork Distributed
- State Festival Paperwork Due

Monday, January 22nd @2:35pm

- Talon Theatre Cares Application Due

Monday, February 12th @2:35pm

Monday, March 11th @2:35pm

- Intent to Run for Board forms distributed
- Point Update Meeting for Spring Induction

Tuesday, April 30th @2:35pm

- Officer Speeches and Election of new Board

*Intent to run forms for Board are due April 19th

THE SPIAN EVENTS

Welcome Social

September 22nd @6:30-8:30pm BB

Christmas Party/Fall Induction

December 7th @5:00pm BB/CR

Talon Theatre Cares

February 23rd @7:00pm Dome

Talon Awards/Spring Induction

May 17th @6:00pm Banquet Hall

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CALIFORNIA STATE THESPIAN FESTIVAL

Date: April 5th-7th
Location: Upland, California

INTERNATIONAL THESPIAN FESTIVAL

Date: June TBD