

New Zealand Scholarship Drama 2006

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Introduction

This information will help you to understand the examination procedure and to practise responding to instructions promptly. There will be no opportunity for reassessment.

You must wear plain, non-specific clothing, and perform to an imagined audience positioned near the camera; performance to the camera may distort the intended image.

Confirm with your Drama teacher what will be used as a warning signal.

On the day of the examination

Be in the waiting-room by 1.40 p.m.

Visit the toilet just before you arrive. You may not leave the waiting-room once there.

Candidates will be examined in Attendance Roll order. A copy of the Attendance Roll will be available in the waiting-room, as will copies of this Information sheet.

You may warm up until your turn to perform.

Each candidate's performances are expected to last between 20 and 30 minutes.

The Examination

The Examination Supervisor will take each candidate to the performance space.

At the performance space, hand your **two Statements of Intent, two Scripts and the Teacher Authentication Form** to the supervisor.

Confirm your NSN number on the A4 plastic bag label, and that the supervisor places your documents in the bag and closes it.

The supervisor will note your **start time** on the Attendance Roll.

The camera will be turned on and recording will start, it will not be turned off until the completion all three of your performances.

The supervisor will announce your candidate number e.g. "Candidate 118678543."

TEXT-BASED PERFORMANCE

The supervisor will announce: "Part 1, text-based performance - 4 minutes."

You will perform.

At the end of 3 minutes 50 seconds the warning signal will be given.

At the end of 4 minutes the supervisor will stop you.

You must stop at once.

IMPROMPTU PERFORMANCE

The supervisor will say: "Here is the prescribed task for Impromptu Performance"

The supervisor will read it out to you **once**, and then hand you a laminated copy you can read for yourself.

The supervisor will take back the laminated copy after 1 minute.

Do not ask any questions.

The supervisor will announce "Preparation for impromptu performance - 2 minutes"

You will prepare. You may use pen and paper to prepare.

At 1 minute 50 seconds the warning signal will be given.

At 2 minutes the supervisor will announce "Part 2, impromptu performance - 2 minutes".

You must hand any pen and paper you have used to the supervisor.

You will perform.

At 1 minute 50 seconds the warning signal will be given.

At 2 minutes the supervisor will stop you and invite you to the camera.

You will have 2 minutes to explain and justify your Impromptu Performance to the camera.
You may **not** refer to any paper for this.

At 1 minute 50 seconds the warning signal will be given.

The supervisor will stop you at 2 minutes.

SELF-DEvised PIECE

The supervisor will announce "Part 3, performance of self-devised piece - 3 minutes".

You will perform.

At 2 minutes 50 seconds the warning signal will be given.

You will be stopped at 3 minutes.

The camera will be stopped.

Check with the supervisor that your performances have been recorded.

Leave the performance room when instructed by the supervisor, the supervisor will note your **leaving time** on the Attendance Roll.

Do not return to the waiting-room. This would be regarded as a breach of the rules.