

Membership Policy



Spotlight Players is a Membership organization, all participation including Board of Governors, Show Cast and primary Crew requires membership. Spotlight Players memberships are for one year and cover a period from June 1st through May 31st (Membership Year).

1. Dues

The dues for individual membership within Spotlight Players and any ancillary group of Spotlight Players are:

- a. \$50.00 for new Individual Membership. Family Membership is \$50 for 1 parent and 1 child, and \$15 for each additional child.
- b. \$40.00 for renewal membership by June 30. Family Membership renewed by June 30 will be \$40 for 1 parent and 1 child, and \$15 for each additional child.
- c. \$35.00 if renew in person at the annual Membership Meeting. Family Membership renewed at the annual Membership Meeting will be \$35 for 1 parent and 1 child, and \$15 for each additional child.

For the purposes of renewal, any member of the prior membership year who reapplies for membership within 30 days of the start of the membership year will be considered as a renewal application, after this period all applications are considered as new memberships even if the applicant has been a member of Spotlight Players during the prior membership year.

Applicants who are not recorded by Spotlight Players as members for the prior membership year and are not covered under special renewal are considered new members.

Dues can be paid by cash or credit card / paypal. All Online (credit card / paypal) payments will be charged an additional \$2 processing fee.

2. Membership Application

Each membership application shall consist of the following documents, and cannot be considered for membership processing until all required documents are presented:

- a. Appropriate Membership Form for the applicable membership year signed and dated.
- b. Current Code of Conduct (SP-20125) signed, dated and witnessed.
- c. Child Protection Policy (SP-20124) signed, dated and witnessed.
- d. Background check form (required by and submitted to Canton Township, these are not kept by Spotlight Players).

3. **Membership Acknowledgment**

Upon the completion and acceptance of membership by the Board of Governors of Spotlight Players or nominated board representative, an acknowledgement of the membership is sent to the new member in the form

- a) Receipt for Spotlight Players Membership which can be used for discount to a membership at Canton Township Summit.

4. **Benefits of membership**

- a. Entitlement to vote in elections and on issues brought to the General Membership Meeting at the end of the membership year that paid membership has been maintained (16 and older) as covered in Article III of Spotlight Players Constitution and By-Laws.
- b. Eligibility for Board of Governors positions (16 and older).
- c. Receive email notifications through membership notifications of auditions, productions and meetings.
- d. The opportunity to participate as a Producer, Director, Music Coordinator, Choreographer for any production in accordance with the selection processes established by the appropriate nominated committee.
- e. Preferential casting in shows when equal in talent and appropriateness for a role compared with an auditioning non-member.
- f. Discount Membership to the Canton Summit.

5. **Special Renewal**

Spotlight Players considers the assistance of volunteer staff and others during the preparation and presentation of performances in recognition of these activities Spotlight players will consider applications for membership as renewal applications provided they are submitted within the renewal timeframe for the following individuals.

- a. Any person whose full name appears within a show program with the year prior to the current membership year.