

Tejas Storytelling Association ** Membership Survey

**Please complete and mail to
Tejas Storytelling Association
PO Box 2806
Denton, TX 76202**

As of June 2009, the Tejas Storytelling Association became an all-volunteer organization. For this reason we, the Governing Board, would like to survey our membership and discover the strengths, skills and interests of our members.

It is a given that we will always try to do our best to give you, the members, as much knowledge and education especially when it comes to helping you become better as a Storyteller, Workshop Presenter and/or Author.

This survey will ask you the membership "what can you do", to help TSA continue to grow as an organization and serve our mission.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Texas Storytelling Association produces several annual events:

**Texas Storytelling Festival (March-Denton)
Conference (summer, Austin usually)
Tumbleweed Festival (Abilene)
Scare on the Square (October-Denton)**

Please circle at which of the above events you would like to help.

There are many activities that need doing to complete an event. Please circle which you would most likely be willing to do.

Solicit Sponsorships	Gift Shop	Clean – Up	Emcee a Concert
Publicity	Ticket Sales	Serve as Hospitality Host	
Set – Up	Silent Auction	Plan	Song Leader
Registration	Decorate	Host a Teller	Swapping Grounds Host

You may have some special skills or experience in particular areas. TSA needs a wide variety of folks willing to put in the time and use their special skills. If you would be willing to apply your skills to further the mission of TSA, please circle what you have some experience in doing and answer briefly the following questions.

**Grant Writing: (What grants have you received?)
(Did you write the evaluation/report for the grant?)**

(What was the funding source?)

**Event Planner: (Have you ever produced a storytelling event no matter what size?)
(If you have, what did you find was the most problematic?)**

(If you have not, are you interested in learning how to produce an event?)

**Public Relations: (Where would you publicize a Storytelling Event?)
(Have you written a press release?)**

Other: What is your special talent or skill?

Office Skills: filing, updating lists, other (in Denton)

Budget Manager: (Besides a personal budget, have you managed an organizational budget?)

(Are you familiar with 501 C 3 budgeting procedures?)

Tejas Storytelling Association has many different committees to do the business of TSA. Would you be willing to serve on a committee?

Organizational Committee oversees: Nominating Committee

Awards Committee

Publications Committee

By-laws Committee

Policies and Procedures Committee

Membership Committee

Affiliate Guilds Committee

Financial Affairs Committee oversees: Budget Committee

Development Committee

Fundraising Committee

Grants Committee

Programming Committee oversees:

Conference Committee

Doc Moore Educational Outreach Committee

Festival Committee

Special Events Committee

Youth Storytelling Committee

Do you consider yourself to be:

- a. a traditional teller who feels comfortable with fairy tales, legends, folktales, literary tales, stage teller who can develop a comfortable rapport with the audience
- b. an edge teller who shares difficult stories, uses a variety of media and interacts deliberately with the audience.

- c. A listener who supports storytelling and enjoys hearing a variety of stories
- d. Other (please tell us)_____

With which audience do you feel the most rapport?

- a. children
- b. adults
- c. young adults
- d. mixed
- e. seniors
- f. all of the above

Do you have experience in presenting workshops/ classes/ seminars in storytelling?

If yes, what was the most satisfying aspect?

If no, are you interested in learning how to present a workshop/ class/ seminar in storytelling?

Would you like to see more workshops available for your Guild/community?

Would your guild be able to provide lodging and/or travel expenses for presenters?

Are you available to assist with the workshops?

Tejas Storytelling Association wants to communicate with its members. Please number 1-4 the order of importance to you.

- ___ Tejas Teller (mailed 6 times a year)
- ___ Website www.tejasstorytelling.org
- ___ Facebook
- ___ Email "Blasts"

Tejas Storytelling Association puts out an annual Directory of its membership. Would you prefer an ___ on-line, emailed version or ___ a printed, "hard" copy version

As a member of Tejas Storytelling Association are there other membership benefits you would like to see added?

Please describe:

Are you willing to put in the time and effort to organize and provide this benefit to members?

Surveys sometimes provoke creative thoughts. Please share your thoughts that have been provoked, but do not fit into any of our questions. We do want to hear from you.

Thank you for your time in filling this out. Thank you for sharing your information with us. We look forward to more involvement and sharing of tasks to keep TSA running and spreading STORY throughout this region.