## THEA 128 PANEL DISCUSSION ASSIGNMENT PLAY #1

**DUE: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2017** 

The class will be split into teams. Each team will choose one play from the list below that no one on the team has read before.

The team will research the play and present on the due date. The presentation should consist of the following elements:

- 1. A two paragraph biography of the playwright- where they were born, family, education, awards, other works, etc.
- 2. A two paragraph summary of the play, in your own words. Do not copy a summary from another source.
- 3. A two paragraph description of 2 main characters. Include quotes from the play.
- 4. A two paragraph description of the design elements. Include quotes from the play.

Each team should create a presentation of 10-15 minutes. At the end of the 15 minutes, the class will have time to ask questions of the team.

Immediately after the presentation, each person will turn in a paper that covers one of the elements (1, 2, 3, or 4 above). Each of the points must be covered in written form, so the team needs to assign themselves the talking and written points.

The paper guidelines are:

- 1. 1.5 spacing
- 2. Standard margins
- 3. Cite sources in MLA format
- 4. Wikipedia is not allowed

You will be graded on the thoroughness of your presentation, as well as timing and presentation skills. PLEASE work together to make a cohesive presentation. Decide in advance the order in which you are presenting. Make sure you divide the time up evenly. Better yet, REHEARSE.

## PLAY #1 CHOICES:

The Children's Hour by Lillian Hellman Fences by August Wilson A Streetcar Named Desire by Tennessee Williams