

# MFA CONTINUANCE EVALUATION STANDARDS

**RETURN BY:**  
**REVIEW TIME:**

Attached are this year's *MFA Student Continuance Evaluation Forms*. As a reminder of the purposes and process of these evaluations please note the following:

## PURPOSES

- ◆ To clearly define standards of performance for our MFA Candidates.
- ◆ To provide a means by which to provide specific feedback about performance for each individual Graduate Student.
- ◆ To motivate our MFA candidates toward success through specific incentives.
- ◆ To award terminal degrees **ONLY** when such degrees have been earned to the fullest extent.
- ◆ To have a means by which to release underperforming students from the program.

## PROCEDURE

- ◆ Please grade with the highest of standards. The standards remain the same as students progress through the years. Use the list below as a guide.

**5 = Professional level** – Proven skills for professional application  
**4 = Advanced level** – Appropriate skills for a graduating MFA student  
**3 = Intermediate level** – Appropriate skills for mid-2nd-year MFA student  
**2 = Basic level** – Appropriate skills for a completed undergraduate degree  
**1 = Needs much Improvement** – Skills below undergraduate degree  
**NA = Not Applicable** – PLEASE CHOOSE THIS IF YOU ARE UNSURE

- ◆ Please include specific notes for discussion where appropriate.
- ◆ Please complete forms for all MFA students.
- ◆ Please return these completed forms by the day prior to reviews so the data can be processed.

Thank you!