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EDUCATION

Catholic University of America, Washington, DC, M.F.A. in Directing, 2012 Catholic University of America, Washington, DC, MA in Theatre Education, 2011 Trinity College, Hartford, CT, B.A. in Theater/Dance, 2003

PROFESSIONAL DIRECTING

Six Dance Lessons in Six Weeks, by Richard Alfieri Ivoryton Playhouse, Essex, CT, 2016

ShakesBeer (Kate and Petruchio), by Shakespeare New York Shakespeare Exchange, New York, NY, 2016

Tuesdays with Morrie, by Jeffrey Hatcher and Mitch Albom Playhouse on Park, West Hartford, CT, 2015 *BEST PLAY; BEST DIRECTOR (Nominated)- broadwayworld.com (CT)

Lady Macbeth and Her Lover, by Richard Vetere Iron Spike Theatre Company, New York International Fringe Festival, New York, NY, 2015

Baby Hubris, by Jacqui Rego New York International Fringe Festival, New York, NY, 2015

The Dining Room, by AR Gurney Playhouse on Park, West Hartford, CT, 2015

Stop Kiss, by Diana Son Trinity College - Director-in-Residence, Hartford, CT, 2015

Frame 313, by William Zeffiro Ensemble Atria, Midtown International Theatre Festival, New York, NY, 2014

Romance Language, by Joe Godfrey Seven Angels Theatre, Waterbury, CT, 2014

Othello, by William Shakespeare
Playhouse on Park, West Hartford, CT, 2013
*BEST PLAY (Winner); BEST DIRECTOR (Nominated) - broadwayworld.com (CT)

PROFESSIONAL DIRECTING (CONTINUED)

True or False, by Davey Anderson Playhouse on Park/Theatre Uncut, West Hartford, CT, 2013

Church Forced to Put Up Gates After Font is Used By Migrants, by Mark Thomas Playhouse on Park/Theatre Uncut, West Hartford, CT, 2013

Pilot Fish, by Patrick Kennedy New York International Fringe Festival, New York, NY, 2013

In the Beginning, by Neil LaBute Playhouse on Park/Theatre Uncut, West Hartford, CT, 2012

The Webcam Play, by Tim Guillot Junesong Arts, Capitol Fringe Festival, Washington, DC, 2012

A Year of Giving, by Reed Sandridge and Melanie Papasian, Capitol Fringe Festival, Washington, DC, 2012

Qualities of Starlight, by Gabriel Jason Dean Source Theatre, Washington, DC, 2012

The Furies, by Rebecca Gingrich-Jones, Active Cultures Theatre, University Park, MD, 2011

Oblivion (Opera), by Kyle Gullings, Capitol Fringe Festival, Washington, DC, 2010

The Laramie Project, by Moises Kauffman, Rockville Little Theatre, Rockville, MD, 2009

READINGS AND WORKSHOPS

Super, or How Clark Graves Learned to Fly by Gina Femia Playwrights on Park at Playhouse on Park, West Hartford, CT, 2016

Drowning Ophelia, by Rachel Strayer Ensemble Atria & Eager Risk Theater, Nu.Box Theater, New York, NY, 2016

Something Quiet, by Gabriel Jason Dean Playwrights on Park at Playhouse on Park, West Hartford, CT, 2016

Let It Come Down, by Eve Lederman Playwrights on Park at Playhouse on Park, West Hartford, CT, 2016

What It Takes, by Jack Rushen Playwrights on Park at Playhouse on Park, West Hartford, CT, 2015

READINGS AND WORKSHOPS (CONTINUED)

Collision, by Dustin Sullivan (Second Reading) Manhattan Theatre Club, New York, NY, 2015

Collision, by Dustin Sullivan Playwrights on Park at Playhouse on Park, West Hartford, CT, 2015

Kunstler, by Jeffrey Sweet Playwrights on Park at Playhouse on Park, West Hartford, CT, 2015

This Living Hand, by Richard Vetere Playwrights on Park at Playhouse on Park, West Hartford, CT, 2014

The Word and the Wasteland, by Timothy Guillot Junesong Arts at Columbia University, New York, NY, 2014

The Unseen, by Craig Wright Catholic University at Theater J, Washington, DC, 2012

Urban Nomads, by James Hesla Artists' Bloc at Woolly Mammoth, Washington, DC, 2011

ASSISTANT DIRECTING

Swiss Family Robinson – The Musical, Book by and Directed by Patrick Kennedy New York Musical Theatre Festival, New York, NY, 2013

Bootycandy, Written and Directed by Robert O'Hara Woolly Mammoth Theatre, Washington, DC, 2011

Othello, by William Shakespeare, directed by Robert Richmond The Folger Shakespeare Theater, Washington, DC, 2011

The Wind in the Willows, Adapted by Richard Hellesen, Music and Lyrics by Michael Silversher, directed by Janet Stanford Imagination Stage, Bethesda, MD, 2011

Cymbeline, by William Shakespeare, directed by Eleanor Holdridge Catholic University of America, Washington, DC, 2011

Dinner with Friends, by Donald Margulies, directed by Jim Petosa Olney Theatre Center, Olney, MD, 2010

The Malcontent by James Marston, directed by Chris Grabowski Shakespeare Theatre Company's Academy of Classical Acting, Washington, DC, 2010

Picnic at Hanging Rock, by Laura Shamas, directed by Shirley Serotsky Catholic University of America, Washington, DC, 2010

GRADUATE DIRECTING, CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

The Mystery Plays, by Roberto Aguirre-Sacasa (Thesis), 2012 Le Cid, by Pierre Corneille, 2011 Spurt of Blood, by Antonin Artaud, 2011 The Maidens Loath by Matthew Smith, 2011 Counting the Ways, by Edward Albee, 2010 Bathroom Fodder (reading), by Rachel Barclay, 2010 The Shelter, by Bob Bartlett, 2010 Say What You Mean (reading), by Tim Guillot, 2009 38 Days, by Tim Guillott, 2009

TEXT WORK

The Gaming Table, by Susanna Centlivre Additional material by David Grimm, directed by Eleanor Holdridge, The Folger Shakespeare Theater, Washington, DC, 2012

Much Ado About Nothing, by William Shakespeare, directed by Eleanor Holdridge, Taffety Punk Theater, Washington, DC, 2011

STAGE MANAGEMENT

Ngala Muti, by EB Solomon, Catholic University, Washington, DC, 2009 *Excellence in Stage Management - Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival Award

UNDERGRADUATE DIRECTING/ARTISTIC WORK, TRINITY COLLEGE, HARTFORD, CT

The Jesters, Artistic Director
Moveable Joints, Director and Founding Member
Romeo and Isabella, Writer and Director (Thesis)
Titus Andronicus, by William Shakespeare, Director
Beyond Therapy, by Christopher Durang, Director
A Zoo Story, by Edward Albee, Director
So, What If There Were No Pigeons? Writer and Director (Frank Whitlow Playwriting Award)
Situated Comedy: The Truth Behind Fiction, Writer and Director

TEACHING & DIRECTING (EDUCATIONAL/TRAINING PROGRAMS)

Stop Kiss, by Diana Son Trinity College - Director-in-Residence, Hartford, CT, 2015

Elsewhere in Elsinore Miss Porter's School, Farmington, CT, 2014

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee Miss Porter's School, Farmington, CT, 2014

Twelve Angry Women
Miss Porter's School, Farmington, CT, 2013

TEACHING & DIRECTING (EDUCATIONAL/TRAINING PROGRAMS - CONTINUED)

King John, by William Shakespeare The Field School, Washington, DC 2009

King Lear, by William Shakespeare The Field School, Washington, DC 2008

As You Like It, by William Shakespeare The Field School, Washington, DC 2007

A Midsummer Night's Dream, by William Shakespeare The Field School, Washington, DC 2006

Julius Caesar, by William Shakespeare The Montfort Academy, Katonah, NY, 2005

As You Like It, by William Shakespeare, Shakespeare & Company's Fall Festival of Shakespeare, Lenox, MA, 2004

TEACHING POSITIONS

Visiting Assistant Professor, Trinity College, Hartford, CT, Fall 2015 Guest Lecturer/Director-in-Residence, Trinity College, Hartford, CT, Spring 2015 Director of Theater, Miss Porter's School, Farmington, CT, 2013 - 2014 Teaching Fellow/Teaching Assistant, Catholic University, Washington DC, 2009 - 2012 Education Artist, Imagination Stage, Bethesda, MD, 2011-2012 Acting Teacher, The Field School, Washington, DC, 2005-2009 Education Artist, Shakespeare & Company, Lenox, MA, 2004-2005

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Pace University – Guest Lecturer, presented "Theater Presents: The History of the World" Westchester, NY Campus, 2012 & 2014

Talk Back Moderator, *Playwrights on Park*, Playhouse on Park, West Hartford, CT (Ongoing) Talk Back Moderator, *Othello*, Folger Shakespeare Theater, Washington, DC 2011

University Activity—Trinity College

IART, Art and Artists (Fall 2015 - Visiting Assistant Professor, Adjunct)

How does art get made? What is the nature of the artistic process? How do emotions, themes and ideas translate into artistic form? Through readings, discussion, written reflections and art viewings, this seminar explores creativity as a dynamic process sourced in the encounter between artist and world. In addition to studying a broad range of important artists, students are encouraged to develop their imaginative and intellectual resources and to experiment with various media as they participate in creative projects that call upon the skills learned in their arts practice courses.

THDN, Stage Production (Spring 2015 – Guest Lecturer)

Students take part in a major performance or design participation of a faculty-directed Theater and Dance Department production. Responsible for auditions, casting, rehearsals, production team and performance.

UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY — CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

DR 205, Introduction to Speech Communications (Spring 2012 - Instructor)

Theory and exercises in speech communication, emphasizing perception, language (verbal and nonverbal), and interaction. Students apply principles in a variety of transactions.

DR 101, Theatre I (Fall 2009, 2010, 2011 – Teaching Fellow)

An introduction to the nature of theatre as a performing art. Students study selected plays from the perspectives of actors and directors, and the strategies of playwrights to develop the ability to imagine the play in performance and to appreciate the range of theatre's possibilities.

DR 104, Theatre II (Spring 2010, 2011 – Teaching Assistant)

An introduction to the technical elements of theatrical production (e.g., sets, lights, costumes, and sound) and their relation to each other. Involves hands-on, practical work.

ANCILLARY EDUCATION:

Society of Directors and Choreographers- Play Symposium for Emerging Directors, July 2014 Folger Shakespeare Library, Teaching Shakespeare Institute, 2008 (Fellowship) Shakespeare & Company, Summer Training Institute, Lenox, MA, 2004 Upright Citizen's Brigade Theater Training Center, All Levels, New York, NY, 2003-2005

AFFILIATIONS:

Society of Stage Directors and Choreographers, New York, NY (Associate Member)