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## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

#### **EDUCATION**

# MFA IN THEATRE & DANCE WITH AN EMPHASIS IN DIRECTING University Of California, San Diego (UCSD)

2011

2002

B.A. THEATRE ARTS

California State University, Northridge (CSUN)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### ADJUNCT FACULTY Antelope Valley College

Present

Currently teaching Rehearsal and Performance, Acting Fundamentals and Fundamentals of Directing. Directing four production for the college each year, working with many first time actors, focusing on fundamental acting techniques and mentorship. Also working collaboratively with other members of the Theatre Department to perform SLO assessments.

#### ADJUNCT FACULTY College of the Canyons

Present

Currently teaching a variety of theatre courses including Acting Fundamentals and Understanding Theatre; covering goals/objectives, obstacles, tactics, improvisation, physical theatre movement theories of viewpoints and biomechanics, status, character and scene analysis, etc,. Also working collaboratively with other members of the Theatre Department to perform SLO assessments, discuss teaching strategies. Utilizing digital technologies such as Blackboard and cloud computing to supplement classroom teaching.

#### ENRICHMENT TEACHER Equitas Academy Charter School

2012-2013

Taught basic acting, improvisation, playwriting technique, text analysis and Shakespeare to grades K-5. Worked collaboratively with other enrichment teachers to create a school wide winter concert, created and implemented two curriculums (one for the school-day and one for after-school) and directed the fourth grade students in Shakespeare Productions at the end of the year.

#### TEACHING ARTIST San Diego Junior Theatre

2011-2012

Taught variety of classes with the Junior Theatre's out-reach program as well as the summer intensive, focusing on basic acting, improvisation, playwriting technique, text analysis as well as physical theatre movement theories of viewpoints and biomechanics. Also Directed various workshop productions including Our Town.

#### TEACHING ARTIST Christian Youth Theatre

2011-2012

Taught variety of classes with the CYT's after-school out-reach program, focusing on basic acting, performance techniques, rehearsal etiquette and culminating in "junior" versions of various musical productions which I directed.

#### AFTER SCHOOL TEACHER All Star Academy

2011-2012

Taught a variety of classes in the after-school program that focused on basic acting, improvisation, devised work, as well as creative writing courses in short story, poetry and playwriting which culminated in quarterly presentations of student work.

#### PROGRAM LEADER Think Together

2011

Taught film production in an intensive summer program where we focused on introduction to acting, plot mechanics, collaborative story and script writing, frame composition and editing.

#### ACTING INSTRUCTOR University of California, San Diego

2009-2011

Taught introduction to acting, covering goals/objectives, obstacles, tactics, expectations, physical theatre movement theories of viewpoints and biomechanics, status, character and scene analysis, etc,. I worked as a TA supervisor, coaching student teachers on strategies and classroom management. I also taught the Theatre Arts portion of an interdisciplinary class in the Communication department where I edited student papers and worked with them to devise a script for a theatrical presentation I directed based on the "Scopes Monkey Trial."

#### SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER Fulton College Preparatory School, Van Nuys Ca

2006-2008

Taught 6th through 8th grade children with Autism where I created and implemented Individualized Education Program (IEP) reports on the Welagent System and created lesson plans designed to work on a wide variety of skill levels in concert with each other while meeting each students' specific educational needs.

#### SUBSTITUTE TEACHER Los Angeles Unified School District

2005-2006

Taught both day to day and long-term assignments in various classrooms and disciplines for grades K-12, substituting for both special education and general education classrooms

#### SPECIAL EDUCATION PARAPROFESSIONAL Los Angeles Unified School District

1998-2005

Taught 3rd through 8th grade children with special needs and worked with the classroom teacher to create lesson plans implement lesson plans and student IEPs.

#### GROUP LEADER CSUN Teenage Drama Workshop

1999

Taught student playwriting classes which culminated in productions on 10 minute plays I directed with the students. I also collaborated with the program directors to make sure all that all production needs where met on the main-stage shows.

#### PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

#### **BLACKBOARD**

Training to use the Blackboard Learning System, including: requesting a new course, navigating the learning environment, changing basic settings, how to effectively work with discussion boards, groups, web links, and some basic Grade Center skills, uploading syllabi and course documents, how to effectively use e-mail, messages, and assessments (exams & quizzes), and other Internet tools and products that can supplement the Blackboard experience.

#### BIO-MECHANICS INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP-IUGTE

Studied Bio-Mechanics with Sergei Ostrenko in an international directing workshop presented by the International University- Global Theatre Experience and hosted by the Armata Brancaleone - International Theatre Academy in Massa, Italy.

## **OPERA MASTER CLASS**

Opera directing and staging taught by Darko Tresnjak

#### JOINT STOCK MASTER CLASS

The Joint-Stock technique of creating devised work taught by Les Waters

#### ARTISTIC DIRECTOR MASTER CLASS

Running a theatre and crating a cohesive theatre season taught by Christopher Ashley

#### DIRECTING

Millennium (World Premiere) by Rick Creese	2017
Antelope Valley College	
The Three Sisters by Anton Chekhov (English Adaptation) by Sarah Ruhl	2016
Antelope Valley College	
The Goldilocks Effect by Jeffrey Wienckwski and Co.	2016
A Touring Children's Show produced by Antelope Valley College	
Inherit the Wind by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee	2015
Antelope Valley College	
Much Ado About Nothing by William Shakespeare	2015
Independent Shakespeare Company's Griffith Park Shakespeare Festival	
Broadway World Nominee: Best local production	
Bright Swords (World Premiere) by Rick Creese	2015
Produced by ISC at the Hollywood Fringe Festival and United Solo Fest NY/Winner: Best Biographical Play	
Earth Day Clowns by Jeffrey Wienckwski and Co.	2015
A Touring Children's Show produced by The Santa Clarita Shakespeare Festival	
Cootie Shots by Norma Bowles with Mark E. Rosenthal	2015
A Touring Children's Show produced by Antelope Valley College	
Waiting for Lefty by Clifford Odets	2015
Antelope Valley College	
Noises Off by Michael Frayn	2104
Antelope Valley College	
Flower Duet (West Coast Premiere) by Maura Campbell	2014
The Road Theatre Company, North Hollywood, Ca	
Solemn Mockeries (World Premiere) by Rick Creese	2013
Produced by ISC at the United Solo Fest NY/Winner: Best Period Piece	
Gallery Secrets: Under the Glass by Zakiyyah Alexander	2013
Produced By Chalk Rep. and the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles	
#Hashtag (World Premiere) by Jeffrey Wienckowski and Co.	2013
Produced by The Mechanical Heart as part of the Hollywood Fringe Festival	
Solemn Mockeries by Richard Creese	2013
Produced by the Independent Shakespeare Company	
The Party by Joe Luis Cedillo	2012
Chalk Rep. at the La Brea Tarpits	
Hatchlings by Eva Anderson	2012
Chalk Rep. at the La Brea Tarpits	
Our Town by Thornton Wilder	2012
San Diego Junior Theatre	0040
Spider Baby: The Musical by Jack Hill and Enrique Acosta	2012
Gamer Con at the 10 <sup>th</sup> Avenue Theatre, San Diego	0044
Bodies in the Park (World Premiere) by Sharif Abu-Hamdeh	2011
University of California, San Diego's Baldwin New Play Festival	0044
The Threepenny Opera by Bertolt Brecht (English Translation by Marc Blitzstein)	2011
University of California, San Diego	0046
Catastrophe by Samuel Beckett	2010
University of California, San Diego	0040
Everything Nice (World Premiere) by Stephanie Timm	2010
University of California, San Diego's Baldwin New Play Festival	0000
The House of Bernarda Alba by Federico Garcia Lorca (English Adaptation by Che Yew)	2009
University of California, San Diego	2000
The Darwin Project by Jeffrey Wienckowski & Ensemble	2009
University of California, San Diego (Callt2)	2000
Refraction (World Premiere) by Ronald McCants University of California, San Diego's Baldwin New Play Festival	2009
University of Camornia, San Diego's Daidwin Inew Flay Festival	

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Fall by Joe Louis Cedillo	2006
Theatre/Theater, Hollywood, Ca  Mother Courage by Bertolt Brecht (English Translation by Eric Bently)  Some of Bookett Theatre Co. Hollywood, CA.	2005
Sons of Beckett Theatre Co., Hollywood, CA  Un-America Activities by Jeffrey Wienckowski	2004
Sons of Beckett Theatre Co., Hollywood, CA  The Other Shore (West Coast Premiere) by Gao Xingjian (English Translation by Gilbert C.F. Fong)	2003
Sons of Beckett Theatre Co. at the Edge of the World Theatre Festival/ BackStage West Critic's Pick Oedipus the King (A Vaudeville Musical) Adapted by Jeffrey Wienckowski and Christopher P. Ellis) Sons of Beckett Theatre Co., Hollywood, CA	2002
Waiting For Godot by Samuel Beckett	2001
Sons of Beckett Theatre Co., Hollywood, CA  The Divine Absurdity by Jeffrey Wienckowski	2001
CSUN Theatre Guild  Syphilis the Pig (After Ibsen's Ghosts) by Jeffrey Wienckowski & Co.	2001
CSUN Theatre Guild  Waiting For Godot by Samuel Beckett	2000
CSUN Theatre Guild	
ASSISTANT DIRECTING	
The Tallest Tree in the Forest by Daniel Beaty – Assistant to Moises Kaufman	2014
The Mark Taper Forum, Los Angeles, CA  August: Osage County by Tracy Letts – Assistant to Sam Gold	2011
The Old Globe, San Diego, CA  Surf Report (World Premiere) by Annie Weisman- Assistant to Lisa Peterson	2010
La Jolla Playhouse, CA  The Revenger's Tragedy by Thomas Middleton - Assistant to Christopher Ashley	2010
University of California, San Diego, Ca	2010
1001 by Jason Grote - Assistant to Kim Rubinstein	2008
University of California, San Diego, Ca  Master Class by Terrence McNally - Assistant to Jules Aaron	2007
East West Players, Los Angeles, CA	
Measure for Measure by William Shakespeare - Assistant to Erin McBride Africa	204
Sons of Beckett Theatre Co., Hollywood, CA  Veronika Decides to Die by Erin McBride Africa - Assistant to Erin McBride Africa	2002
Sons of Beckett Theatre Co., Hollywood, CA	2002
Antigone by Sophocles- Assistant to Jules Aaron	
California State University, Northridge	
PRODUCING	
#Hashtag by The Mechanical Heart as part of the Hollywood Fringe.	2013
What Where/Catastrophe by Samuel Beckett (University of California, San Diego)	2010
3 Bulls by Joe Louis Cedillo (Tres Chingasos Theatre Collective)	2005
Mother Courage by Bertolt Brecht (S.O.B. Theatre Co., Hollywood, CA)	2005
29 Things to do on a Rainy Day by S.O.B Theatre Co (S.O.B. Theatre Co., Hollywood, CA)  Measure for Measure by William Shakespeare (S.O.B. Theatre Co., Hollywood, CA)	2004 2004
Un-American Activities by Jeffrey Wienckowski (S.O.B. Theatre Co., Hollywood, CA)	2004
The Other Shore by Gao Xingjian (S.O.B. Theatre Co., Hollywood, CA)	2003
69 Portraits of Che by Joe Louis Cedillo (Tres Chingasos Theatre Collective, Sylmar, CA)	2003
Oedipus the King by Sophocles (S.O.B. Theatre Co., Hollywood)	2002

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Veronica Decides to Die by Erin McBride Africa (S.O.B. Theatre Co., Hollywood, CA)	2002
Waiting for Godot by Samuel Beckett (.O.B. Theatre Co., Hollywood, CA)	2001
Divine Absurdity by Jeffrey Wienckowski (CSUN Theatre Guild)	2001
Syphilis the Pig by Jeffrey Wienckowski & Ensemble (CSUN Theatre Guild)	2001
Waiting For Godot by Samuel Beckett (CSUN Theatre Guild)	2000
Un-American Activities/Kingdom for a Horse by Jeffrey Wienckowski (CSUN Theatre Guild)	1999
Hell's Kitchen by Jeffrey Wienckowski (CSUN Theatre Guild)	1999

#### **REFERENCES**

Gabor Tompa Moises Kaufman

UCSD- Head of Directing Tectonic Theatre Project – Artistic Director

Jonet Leighton David Mellville

Antelope Valley College- Theater Depart Producer Independent Shakespeare Co- Managing Director

Christopher Ashley Dominique Serrand

La Jolla Playhouse- Artistic Director Moving Company- Founder

Jim Carmody

Ruth McKee UCSD- Theatre Dept Chair

Chalk Rep- Managing Director

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Die Dreigroschenoper (The Threepenny Opera): An Epic Collaboration On File at the Theodore Geisle Library, University of California, San Diego

#### PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS & AFFILIATIONS

Chalk Repertory Company Frequent Guest Director
The Mechanical Heart Founder, Artistic Director, Producer, & Director
The SOB Theatre Company Founder, Artistic Director, Producer, & Director

#### **WEB**

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Youtube: http://www.youtube.com/jeffdirects

## SPECIAL SKILLS

Costume Design, Blackboard, Carpentry, Scenic Painting, Internet Applications & Social Networking, Adobe Photoshop, Pro-Tools, Q-Lab