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## **Theatre Director**

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#### DIRECTOR

The Cake Sense and Sensibility Fun Home A Christmas Story Ride the Cyclone A Doll's House Every Brilliant Thing Everybody Something Clean What We're Up Against Avenue Q The Cake Nice Girl Legend of Georgia McBride How I Learned to Drive Betraval Elephant and Piggy... Rapture Blister Burn In the Next Room... Eurydice Stop Kiss Superior Donuts The Last Five Years A Christmas Story Sylvia Plath's 3 Women Long Way Down Chess In Concert Rear Widow Take Me Out 25th Annual ... Spelling Bee Little Dog Laughed Parallel Lives Religion and Rubber Ducks The Time Traveler's Wife

#### ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Domesticated Moby Dick These Shining Lives Moby Dick The Jungle Book Moonlight and Magnolias Doubt The Goat or, Who is Sylvia? The Gift of Music The Night of 1000 Voices

Bekah Brunstetter Kate Hamill Kron/ Tesori Phillip Grecian **Richmond/ Maxwell** Henrik Ibsen Duncan MacMillan **B. Jacobs-Jenkins** Selina Fillinger Theresa Rebek Lopez and Marx **Bekah Brunstetter** Melissa Ross Matthew Lopez Paula Vogel Harold Pinter Mo Willems Gina Gionfriddo Sarah Ruhl Sarah Ruhl Diana Son Tracy Letts Jason Robert Brown Phillip Grecian Sylvia Plath Nate Eppler Time Rice Nate Eppler **Richard Greenberg Rachel Sheinkin** Douglas Carter Bean Nashville RepAloud Najimy/ Gaffney Joe Giordano Lauren Shouse

Nashville Rep MTSU MTSU Nashville Rep MTSU Raven Theatre Nashville Rep MTSU Sideshow Theatre **Compass Theatre** Nashville Rep **Rivendell Theatre Raven Theatre** Northlight Theatre Oakton College **Raven Theatre** Wirtz Center Nashville Rep Wirtz Center Northwestern University Northwestern University Nashville Rep Street Theatre Company Nashville Rep Independent **3Ps** Productions Street Theatre Company Chaffins Barn Theatre Nashville RepAloud Street Theatre Company Street Theatre Company Ovvio Arte Wordshed Productions

Fall 2022 Fall 2022 Spring 2022 Fall 2021 Fall 2020 Winter 2020 Fall 2019 Fall 2019 Spring 2019 Winter 2019 Fall 2018 Spring 2018 Winter 2018 Fall 2017 Spring 2017 Fall 2016 Summer 2016 Fall 2015 Spring 2015 Winter 2014 Spring 2013 Spring 2012 Spring 2012 Fall 2011/ 10 Fall 2011 Spring 2011 Spring 2011 Fall 2010 Fall 2010 Spring 2010 Spring 2010 Summer 2009 Spring 2008 Fall 2005

Steppenwolf Theatre Fall 2015 Lookingglass Theatre Spring 2015 Northlight Theatre Spring 2015 Northwestern TIC Spring 2014 Goodman Theatre Spring 2013 Nashville Rep Fall 2008 Spring 2008 Nashville Rep Nashville Rep Spring 2008 Fall 2006 The Roundhouse **Odyssey Arena** Spring 2006

Dir. Bruce Norris Dir. David Catlin Dir. Jessica Thebus Dir. David Catlin Dir. Mary Zimmerman Dir. Martha Wilkinson Dir. Rene Copeland Dir. Rene Copeland Dir. Hugh Wooldridge (UK) Dir. Hugh Wooldridge (UK)

#### **EDUCATION**

Northwestern University, MFA Theatre Directing, 2015

**University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill,** MA Communications Studies – Performance Studies, May 2006; BA Communication Studies, Minor in Creative Writing, May 2003

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Assistant Professor, Middle Tennessee State University, August 2019-present

- Teach Fundamentals of Directing, Advanced Directing, Script Analysis and special topics in directing
- Direct at least one MainStage show per year and mentor all student directors
- Serve on departmental committees including Season Planning

#### Associate Artistic Director, Northlight Theatre, May 2015 – July 2019

- Supported Artistic Director in season play selection and new play programming.
- Ran Literary Department and manage script library.
- Produced dramaturgical materials for all season shows.
- Facilitated post show discussions and lead audience engagement events.
- Directed main stage productions.

#### Artistic Associate, Nashville Repertory Theatre, August 2008- July 2012

- Assisted Producing Artistic Director in company management
- Directed main stage, RepAloud, and New Works Festival plays
- Managed literary department and served as resident dramaturg
- Served as New Works Lab and Festival Director, developing plays by John Patrick Shanley, David Auburn, Steven Dietz and Victoria Stewart
- Served as Education Coordinator and Workshop Director
- Managed and advised professional and student interns

#### *Teaching Artist*, Nashville Theatre Community, August 2009-July 2012

 Directed theatre workshops for Tennessee Performing Arts Center, Street Theatre Company, Harpeth Hall High School, Webb School, Governor's School for the Arts, and Nashville Shakespeare Festival

#### Co-Founder, Ten minute Playhouse Nashville, May 2011 – August 2012

Organized and directed festival of ten minute plays by Nashville playwrights

#### Education Director, Tennessee Shakespeare Festival, June-July 2009

Directed Shakespeare camp curriculum for 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders

# Production Assistant/Assistant Stage Manager, Nashville Repertory Theatre, September 2007 – May 2008

• Assisted the Stage Manager of The Crucible; It's A Wonderful Life: A Radio Play; The Goat or, Who Is Sylvia; Doubt; and The Underpants

#### Assistant to Hugh Wooldridge, JGPC (London, UK), May 2006 – May 2007

- Assisted UK Director, Producer, Writer and Lighting Designer in management of independent production company (<u>www.hughwooldridge.com</u>)
- Served as Production Executive of *The Night of 1000 Voices* (2007) at The Royal Albert Hall starring John Kander, Joel Grey and cast of *Avenue* Q
- Served as Production Executive of An Evening with Michael Parkinson at The Theatre Royal - Windsor (2006)

#### Teaching Assistant, UNC-CH Dept. of Communication Studies, Sept. 2004 – May 2006

 Taught advanced sections of UNC-CH courses, COMM 60: Introduction to the Performance of Literature and COMM 62: Oral Traditions