KIRA GAUDYNSKI

DIRECTOR • THEATREMAKER • CREATIVE



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QUALITIES

- Creative Problem-Solver
- Self Motivator
- Adaptable Team Player
- Empathetic Communicator
- Organization Enthusiast!
- Detail Oriented
- Resourceful
- Generous Collaborative Spirit

EDUCATION

MFA INTERNATIONAL THEATRE PRACTICE & PERFORMANCE

Rose Bruford College, UK (*Distinction*) 2021 - 2023

ADVANCED DIRECTING

National Theatre Institute Eugene O'Neill Theatre Center CT, USA Spring Term 2023

ACTING/THEATREMAKING

National Theatre Institute

Eugene O'Neill Theatre Center CT, USA Fall Term 2022

B.S.S THEATRE & VOCAL PERFORMANCE

Cornell College - IA, USA (Cum Laude) 2011 - 2015

ABOUT ME

As a self-propelled theatre artist, director, mentor, and friend, I seek to cultivate curious exciting spaces that inspire individuals to foster growth within themselves and to develop new ideas that lead to collective radical transformation. My directing practice as an early career director has evolved throughout my varied experience as an actor, assistant stage manager, acting coach, scholar, theatremaker, artistic leader, and even a collage artist!

DIRECTING EXPERIENCE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Birth Witches by Jennifer Fawcett dir - Leda Hoffmann Riverside Theatre, IA - world premier production

STAGE

| Mud | by Marie Irene Fornes | National Theatre Institute, CT |
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| Our Town | by Thorton Wilder | National Theatre Institute, CT |
| Everybody | by Brandon Jacob Jenkens | National Theatre Institute, CT |
| The Cherry Orchard | by Anton Chekov | National Theatre Institute, CT |
| l Forgot To Tell You | by Adrian Einspanier | National Theatre Institute, CT |

NEW WORK DEVELOPMENT

| Penguin Cafe | by Penelope Grant | Page 2 Stage London |
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| Amihan at Habagat | by Andres Lopez | National Theatre Institute, CT |
| The Moon Is Cheese | by Maggie Seymour | National Theatre Institute, CT |
| Threads Of Expectation - 2 developmental staged | by Haley Sliker I readings | National Theatre Institute, CT |

OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

TEACHING ASSISTANT - Actors Studio London Beginner On Camera - Summer 2024

- Supported lead teacher **Sue Dunderdale** in facilitating all aspects of the course.
- Offered direction & coaching while actors were working in rotation with lead teacher.

ACTING COACH - Private Studio - 2020 - Current

- Offering bespoke coaching and curriculum to professionals and students.
- Co-creates with clients self-sustaining creative practices focused on character preparation, personal artistry development, confidence, and the re-invigoration of audition repertoire.

ASSISTANT FACILITATOR / PASTORAL - Lewisham Youth Theatre "Parched Lands" - July 2022

- Led the group in daily check in and warm ups facilitating games and exercises.
- Offered individual and group support to participants throughout tech, dress, and final performances of their production.

ASSIST. STAGE MANAGER - Various Regional/Chicago Theatres USA: 2014 - 2020

- Anticipated needs of the artistic team & stage manager, assisting them throughout rehearsals, meetings, and performances.
- Created and maintained tracking documentation of all props & performance tracks.
- Curated and supervised all backstage operations throughout tech and performances.