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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Northwestern University/ Evanston, Illinois **Master of Fine Arts/ Design 1982**
DePaul University/ Chicago, Illinois **Bachelor of Arts/ Speech and Drama 1978**

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY	Associate Professor	1998-Present
Department of Theater and Dance	Assistant Professor	1993-1998
Cleveland, Ohio	Graduate Acting Program Director	1998-1999
	Visiting Assistant Professor	1992-1993
	Part-time Lecturer	1991-1992
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS	Full-time Lecturer	1984-1988
Department of Communication and Theater		
Chicago, Illinois		

COURSES TAUGHT

- Introduction to Theater
- Scenic Design I and II
- Lighting Design
- Costume Design and Construction
- Costume History
- Scenic Painting
- Stage Management
- Portfolio
- MFA Thesis in Design
- Creating Visual Text
- Performance Practicum
- SAGES, The Life of the Mind

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

CAIN PARK	Artistic Director	2005-Present
Cleveland Heights, Ohio	Resident Designer	1989-Present
KALLIOPE STAGE	Resident Designer	2003-Present
Cleveland Heights, Ohio		
IMMEDIATE THEATER CO.	Resident Designer	1983-1988

Chicago, Illinois

DIRECTING CREDITS

On The Verge/ Eldred Theater/ Cleveland	2006
Waiting for Lefty/ Baldwin-Wallace College/Berea	2005
A Streetcar Named Desire/ Willoughby Fine Arts	2004
Raised in Captivity/ Dobama Theater /Cleveland	2004
The Late Henry Moss/ Dobama Theater /Cleveland	2002
The Water Engine/ Eldred Theater/Cleveland	1999
You Can't Take It With You/ Eldred Theater/Cleveland	1998
Scenes From An Execution/ Eldred Theater/Cleveland	1997
Closer Than Ever/ Eldred Lab/Cleveland	1995
Les Liaisons Dangereuses/ Eldred Theater/Cleveland	1993
Extremities/ Immediate Theater/Chicago	1987
Mother Courage/ Circle Theater/Chicago	1987
Dido and Aeneus / Opera Repertory Theater/Chicago	1986
The Telephone/ Opera Repertory Theater/Chicago	1986
You Can't Take It With You/ Circle Theater/Chicago	1985
The House of Blue Leaves/ DePaul University/Chicago	1983

PROFESSIONAL THEATER DESIGN

Buddy/ Carousel Dinner Theater	Sets	2006
Respect/ StuartStreetPlayhouse/Boston	Sets	2006
Respect/ Hanna Theater/Cleveland	Sets	2006
Kiss Me Kate/ Cain Park	Sets/Lights	2006
Night Bloomers/ Dobama Theater	Sets	2006
The Force of Change/ McCadden Theater, LA	Sets/Lights	2006
Necessary Targets/ Willoughby Fine Arts	Sets/Lights	2006
Coming To America/ Kalliope Stage	Sets/Costumes	2006
Opal/ Kalliope Stage	Sets	2005
Cabaret/ Kalliope Stage	Costumes	2005
A Little Night Music/ Kalliope Stage	Production	2005
The Secret Garden/ Cain Park	Sets/Lights	2005
Christmas Carol Rag/ Kalliope Stage	Sets/Lights	2004
The Summer of 42/ Kalliope Stage	Sets	2004
A Streetcar Named Desire/ Willoughby Fine Arts	Sets	2004
Carousel/ Kalliope Stage	Sets	2004
Raised in Captivity/ Dobama Theater	Sets/Lights	2004
Dido and Aeneus/ Teatro Cologne/Buenos Aires	Sets/Costumes	2004
Love,Perfect,Change/ Hanna Theater	Sets	2003
Dr. Sex/ Bailiwick Repertory	Sets	2003
Batboy/ Cain Park	Sets	2003
Dido and Aeneus/ Trinity Cathedral/Oberlin Opera	Sets/Costumes	2003
Homebody/Kabul/ Dobama Theater	Sets	2002
Avenue X/ Cain Park	Sets/Lights	2002
The Late Henry Moss/ Dobama Theater	Sets/Lights	2002
Suzanna/ Baldwin-Wallace College	Sets	2002

MuchAdoAboutNothing /N.C.Shakespeare Company	Sets/Costumes	2002
Measure for Measure / Cleveland Play House	Production	2002
Constant Star / Dobama Theater	Costumes	2002
Emma's Child / Odyssey Theater,LA	Sets	2001
Spectre de la Rose / Dancing Wheels	Sets/Costumes	2001
Symphony of Psalms / Dancing Wheels	Sets/Costumes	2001
Henry V / NorthCarolina Shasespeare Company	Costumes	2001
Goblin Market / Cain Park	Sets	2001
Once On This Island /GreatLakesTheaterFestival	Sets/Costumes	2001
Sideshow / Cleveland Play House	Costumes	2001
The Cherry Orchard / Moving Spaces	Production	2001
FrankieHartDance / MerceCunninghamStudios, NY	Production	2000
Street Scene / Baldwin-Wallace College	Sets	2000
The Taming of the Shrew / N.C.Shakespeare Company	Sets/Costumes	2000
Little Shop of Horrors / Ohio Theater	Production	2000
The Comedy of Errors / N.C.Shakespeare Company	Costumes	1999
MuchAdoAboutNothing / Cleveland Play House	Production	1999
Getting Out / Cleveland Play House	Production	1999
Orpheus In The Underworld /Florida State Opera	Sets/Costumes	1999
Brother, Can You Spare a Dime? /Ensemble Theater	Sets	1999
Sideshow / Cain Park	Production	1999
The Music Man / Cain Park	Sets	1998
Always..Patsy Cline / Hanna Theater	Lights/Costumes	1998
BrotherCanYouSpareA Dime? /GreatLakesTheaterFestival	Sets	1998
A Brief History of White Music / Hanna Theater	Costumes	1998
All Night Strut / Hanna Theater	Costumes	1997
The Little Shop of Horrors / Cain Park	Sets/Lights	1997
The Jungle Book / Ohio Ballet	Sets	1997
Albert Herring / Florida State Opera	Sets/Costumes	1997
The Most Happy Fella / Baldwin Wallace College	Sets	1997
Passion / Baldwin-Wallace College	Sets	1997
Once On This Island / Connecticut Repertory	Sets	1997
The Fantasticks / Cain Park	Production	1996
La Belle Helene / Lyric Opera Cleveland	Sets	1996
Don Pasquale / Lyric Opera Cleveland	Sets	1996
Rosina / Lyric Opera Cleveland	Sets	1996
Mulebone / Karamu House	Sets	1996
The Marriage of Figaro / Florida State Opera	Sets/Costumes	1996
From the Mississippi Delta / Karamu House	Sets	1995
The Robber Bridegroom / Cain Park	Sets	1995
Into the Woods / Cain Park	Sets/Lights	1995
The Most Happy Fella / Light Opera Works	Sets	1994
Candide / Lyric Opera Cleveland	Sets/Costumes	1994
Once On This Island / Cain Park	Sets	1994
Luv / Eldred Company	Sets/Lights	1994
True West / Eldred Company	Sets/Lights	1994

ThingsThatGoWrongAt35000Feet / Eldred Company	Sets/Lights	1994
Tapestry / Playhouse Square/State Theater	Sets	1994
Anything Goes / Cain Park	Sets	1993
You'reGonnaLoveTomorrow / Cain Park	Production	1993
LadyDayAtEmersonsBar&Grill / Dallas Theater Center	Sets	1993
You'reGonnaLoveTomorrow / Pegasus Players	Production	1992
The Mystery of Edwin Droid / Cain Park	Sets/Costumes	1992
The Rape of Lucretia / Lyric Opera Cleveland	Production	1992
Quilters / Porthouse Theater	Sets	1992
Winterman / Dance Theater Workshop, NY	Production	1992
A Little Night Music / Cain Park	Sets/Costumes	1991
The Return of Ulysses / Lyric Opera Cleveland	Sets	1991
Orpheus In the Underworld / Lyric Opera Cleveland	Sets	1991
Barnum / <i>National Tour</i> /Dodger Productions NY	Sets	1991
The Death of Carmen / Pegasus Players	Production	1991
LadyDayAtEmersonsBar&Grill / Portland Stage	Sets	1991
Sweeney Todd / Anchorage Opera	Sets	1991
Harriet, A Woman Called Moses / Skylight Opera	Sets/Costumes	1991
Goblin Market / Cain Park	Sets	1990
Prague Spring / Cain Park	Sets	1990
The Threepenny Opera / Great Lakes Theater Festival	Sets	1990
La Traviata / Pennsylvania Opera Theater	Sets/Costumes	1990
Pacific Overtures / Skylight Opera	Production	1990
Company / Cain Park	Sets	1989
LadyDayAtEmersonsBar&Grill /Great Lakes Theater	Sets	1989
Don Giovanni / Pennsylvania Opera Theater	Sets/Costumes	1989
Anyone Can Whistle / Pegasus Players	Sets	1989
The Threepenny Opera / Skylight Opera	Production	1989
Two Small Bodies / Immediate Theater	Sets	1988
Strange Snow / Immediate Theater	Sets	1988
The Frogs / Pegasus Players	Sets	1988
Seduced / Immediate Theater	Sets	1988
I'm Not Rappaport / New American Theater	Sets	1988
The Front Page / New American Theater	Sets	1987
Pacific Overtures / Pegasus Players	Sets	1987
The Normal Heart / Next Theater	Sets	1987
'Till The Fat Lady Sings / Lifeline Theater	Sets	1987
Bosoms and Neglect / Immediate Theater	Sets	1987
Extremities / Immediate Theater	Production	1987
The Immigrant / Wisdom Bridge Theater	Sets	1986
Betrayal / Immediate Theater	Sets/Lighting	1986
The End of the World / Absolute Theater	Sets	1986
Dido and Aeneas / Opera Repertory Theater	Production	1986
The Telephone / Opera Repertory Theater	Production	1986
Infernal Machine / Immediate Theater	Sets/Lighting	1985
Children of a Lesser God / Immediate Theater	Sets	1985

Female Transport/ Immediate Theater	Sets/Lighting	1985
The Skin of Our Teeth/ Bailiwick Repertory	Sets	1985
Never the Sinner/ Stormfield Theater	Sets	1985
51st Ward/ Theater Building/Chicago	Sets	1985
Plain Hearts/ Theater Building/Chicago	Sets	1985
The Ballad of the Sad Café/ Absolute Theater	Sets	1985
Christmas On Mars/ Lifeline Theater	Sets	1985
The Miser/ Immediate Theater	Sets/Lighting	1984
Crimes of the Heart/ Immediate Theater	Sets/Lighting	1984
Verticle Hold/ Immediate Theater	Sets/Lighting	1984
The Threepenny Opera/ Bailiwick Repertory	Production	1984
Pericles/ Bailiwick Repertory	Production	1984
Loved/ Lifeline Theater	Sets	1984
Still Life/ Immediate Theater	Sets/Lighting	1984
The Real Inspector Hound/ Immediate Theater	Sets/Lighting	1984
The Rimers of Eldritch/ Lifeline Theater	Sets/Lighting	1984
Split/ Lifeline at the Organic Theater	Production	1984
The Rivals/ Pegasus Players	Costumes	1984

EDUCATIONAL DESIGN CREDITS

Case Western Reserve University/ Eldred Theater/ Drama Series

On The Verge	Sets/Lights	2006
The Memory of Water	Sets/Lights	2005
The Life of Galileo	Sets	2005
The Laramie Project	Sets	2004
Rhinoceros	Sets/Lights	2004
Our Country's Good	Production	2003
Picnic	Sets/Lights	2003
Mad Forest	Sets/Lights	2002
The Beckett Project	Sets/Lights	2002
Suburbia	Sets/Lights	2001
Misalliance	Production	2000
Playboy of The Western World	Sets/Costumes	2000
The Water Engine	Production	1999
The Maneachmi	Production	1999
Richard III	Sets/Lights	1999
Smash Hit	Lights	1998
You Can't Take It with You	Production	1998
Cloud 9	Sets/Costumes	1998
Orpheus Descending	Lights	1998
Revolution of the Heavenly Orbs	Sets/Costumes	1997
Twelfth Night	Lights	1997
Scenes From An Execution	Production	1997
Rosencrantz & Guildenstern..Dead	Production	1996
The Changeling	Production	1996

The Madwoman of Chaillot	Sets	1995
Anchovy Vows	Lights	1995
The House of Bernarda Alba	Sets/Costumes	1995
Summer and Smoke	Sets/Lights	1994
As You Like It	Sets	1994
American Buffalo	Lights	1994
Frankie&JohnnyAtTheClairedeLune	Lights	1994
Scenes From the Penitentiary	Lights	1993
Les Liaisons Dangereuses	Production	1993
The Bacchae	Production	1993
White Horses	Lights	1993
The Servant of Two Masters	Sets/Costumes	1992
Indulgences in the Louisville Harem	Costumes	1992
Beauty and the Beast	Costumes	1991
The Rivals	Costumes	1991

Case Western Reserve University/ Mather Dance Center Series

Internment <i>Galbraith, Potter, George</i>	Production	2006
Distant Connections/ <i>Galbraith, Potter</i>	Sets	2002
Kinetic Shadows/ <i>Galbraith</i>	Sets	2002
Changing Light/ <i>Karipides</i>	Production	1998
Still Artic Shift/ <i>Hart</i>	Production	1997
Expressions: Dances By Hart	Production	1996
MaDaCol	Production	1995
The Yeats Project/ <i>Holt</i>	Production	1994
Reflections/ <i>Karipides</i>	Production	1994
Annoited In Dark Waters/ <i>Hart</i>	Production	1994
Shakti Moon/ <i>Hart</i>	Production	1994
Rain or Shine/ <i>Karipides</i>	Production	1994

University of Illinois at Chicago/ Circle Theater

Widows	Sets	1988
The Importance of Being Earnest	Sets	1988
All's Well That Ends Well	Costumes	1987
Mother Courage	Production	1987
Lysistrata	Sets/Costumes	1986
Moonchildren	Sets	1986
The Mandrake	Sets	1986
You Can't Take It With You	Production	1985
Ghost Sonata	Sets	1985
Caucasian Chalk Circle	Sets/Lights	1985
Othello	Sets	1984

Northwestern University/ Evanston, Illinois

Caligula	Sets/Costumes	1982
The Picture of Dorian Gray	Costumes	1982
The Misanthrope	Sets	1982
Hippolytus	Sets	1982

The Rivals	Sets	1982
The Way of the World	Sets	1981
Look Back In Anger	Sets/Lights	1981
The Time of Your Life	Costumes	1981
Absent Friends	Sets	1980
The House of Blue Leaves	Lights	1980

COMMERCIAL DESIGN EXPERIENCE

- **Welcome to Collinwood/feature film** Creative Consultant 2001
Joe and Anthony Russo On Set Dresser
- **Valentine/Glazen Creatives music video** Local Art Direction 1997
Martina McBride & Jim Brickman
- **BP Empowerment Video** Scenic Designer 1996
Cinecraft Productions
- **Breaking Through/Educational Video** Art Direction 1995
Cinecraft Productions
- **REVCO Industrial/with MaryLou Retton** Scenic Designer 1995
Creative Professionals Inc.
- **Blue Cross Blue Shield/4TV Spots** Scenic Designer 1994
Glazen Creatives
- **Burger King/ Industrial Meeting** Scenic Designer 1994
Creative Professionals Inc.
- **I'm Outta Tears/ Music Video** Local Art Direction 1994
The Rolling Stones
- **Pieces/ Independent Feature Film** Production Designer 1994
**Slamdance and Cleveland Film Festival*
- **The Spirit of Revco/Industrial, Orlando** Scenic Designer 1993
Creative Professionals Inc.
- **General/Continental Tires/ Industrial** Scenic Designer 1992
With Jonathan Winters/ Phoenix, AZ.

CANVAS GALLERY SHOWINGS

- **Art at the Heart/ Heartsong Studio/ 4 Artists** 2004
- **The Go Factory/ 30 Artists/ 6 Bands** 2004
- **Audrey Fineberg Gallery/ Solo Show** 2003

AWARDS

Best Directorial Debut	<i>Scene Magazine/Cleveland</i>	2002
Glennan Fellow	<i>Case Western Reserve University</i>	1997
Addie Award	<i>Breaking Through/ Art Direction</i>	1995
Joseph Jefferson Award	<i>Into the Woods/Scenic Design</i>	1991
Joseph Jefferson Award	<i>The Death of Carmen/Lighting</i>	1991
Joseph Jefferson Award	<i>Anyone Can Whistle/Scenic Design</i>	1989
USITT Ohio Nomination	<i>Lady Day at Emersons/ Scenic Design</i>	1988
Joseph Jefferson Award	<i>The Normal Heart/Best Production</i>	1987
Joseph Jefferson Award	<i>Pacific Overtures/Scenic Design</i>	1987
Joseph Jefferson Award	<i>Ballad of the Sad Café/Scenic Design</i>	1986

Joseph Jefferson Award *Threepenny Opera/ Scenic Design*

1985

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