ERIN GALLIGAN-BALDWIN, MFA

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KEY QUALIFICATIONS

- Licensed Theater Arts and English teacher with 25 years of experience in progressive education across public, independent, and private schools.
- Collaborative and innovative theater artist with experience directing 30+ stage productions.
- Administrator of successful theater programs, expanding student enrollment and audience attendance.
- Initiated the hiring of theater support staff and developed partnerships with professional companies and guest artists.
- Prepared students for acceptance into top theater programs such as The Interlochen Arts Academy, Ithaca, Emerson, Boston University, New York University, Bennington, and The New School.
- Created and implemented new curriculums, expanding Theater Arts and English course offerings for middle and high school students.
- Demonstrated success in grant writing and obtaining new funding sources for student programs.

TEACHING ENDORSEMENTS

- State of Vermont Level I Professional Educator's License: Theater Arts, Grades 7-12
- State of Vermont Level II Professional Educator's License: English, Grades 7-12

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

U-32 Middle and High School, Montpelier, VT

Director of Theater, Performing Arts + English Faculty, Auditorium Manager 2010-present

- Director of the award-winning theater program, Stage 32, with 75+ students and a staff of 10.
- Director of Stage 16, a Middle School Theater Program.
- Theater Classes include High School Theater Studies I and II, Middle School Acting, Dramatic Literature, Theater Design and Production, and Independent Studies in Directing and Auditioning Techniques.
- English Classes include AP Level American Writers, Film as Literature, Media, College Prep Expository Writing, Middle School Creative Writing, and English Portfolio Workshop.
- Supervisor of theater improvements and all U-32 performing arts groups and visiting groups as manager of the auditorium and technical theater support.

- Established student travel programs: The Edinburgh Fringe Festival, Stratford Upon Avon and The Royal Shakespeare Company, NYC Broadway Student Summit, Vermont Drama Council One Act Play Festival, The Bread and Puppet Theater, and The Flynn Center for the Performing Arts.
- Collaborated with local playwrights to produce original plays and showcases.
- Initiated grants for guest artists and created collaborative partnerships between Stage 32 and local theater companies.
- Expanded the Middle School Theater Program to include Acting Classes and an after-school play production program
- Collaborated with Middle School Teachers to integrate Vermont State Theater Proficiencies and Performance Indicators into the Language Arts Curriculum.
- Developed the Vermont State Theater Proficiencies and Performance Indicators and the Theater Educator Licensure requirements with the Vermont Agency of Education.
- Developed Theater Proficiencies and Performance Indicators for the Washington Central Unified Union School District.

Lost Nation Theater, Montpelier, VT

Playwright, Director, Actor, Instructor 2017-present

- Playwright
- Director and Instructor for summer educational camps.
- Actor
- Instructor for adult acting classes.

Interlochen Center for the Arts, Interlochen, MI

Theater Faculty, Choreographer 2000, 2001, 2008

- Faculty member at world-renowned summer arts program.
- Instructor of Theater Workshop and Acting Improvisation at the Junior and Intermediate levels.
- Classes in creative movement, characterization, script analysis, and fundamentals of theater performance.
- Choreographer for the Intermediate Level Musical and the Intermediate Level Musical Theater Workshop.

Lyndon Institute High School, Lyndon Center, VT

Director of Theater, Performing Arts and English Faculty, Auditorium Manager 2006-2010

- Developed and taught curriculum for Speech, Dramatic Literature, Introduction to Theater, Acting 1-4, and Theater Design and Production.
- Director of The Lyndon Institute Theater Company with 50+ students and 5 staff members.
- Initiated membership in the Vermont Drama Council and hosted the Vermont Regional One Act Festival.
- Faculty advisor for local and international students.
- Auditorium Manager and supervisor of all theater renovations and improvements.

North Country Union High School and Junior High, Newport, VT

Director of Theater, English and Language Arts Teacher 2003-2006

- Acting Teacher and Director of Theater program, The North Country Theater Company, with 50+ students.
- Collaborated with local playwrights to produce original plays and showcases.
- Instituted the after-school middle school Drama Club.
- Middle School Language Arts teacher.
- Developed and taught curriculum for High School English and Humanities Classes.
- Worked closely with humanities-based instruction, portfolios, and assessment.

Freelance Teaching Artist and Program Developer, New York City, NY

Theater and Dance Teacher, Choreographer 1998-2003

- Program and curriculum developer and instructor of *I am an Artist*, an artist in residency/arts education and integration program taught throughout the NYC public schools.
- Instructor of the early childhood for the Brooklyn Arts Council for the program Once Upon a Street...Once Upon a Map, based on the architecture, neighborhoods, and communities of Brooklyn.
- Creative movement and literacy specialist contracted to do curriculum development for the after-school program, Communities Up, Down, and Around, about the built and natural environments of Brooklyn.
- Theater and Dance Integrated Arts Teacher with the Multicultural Music Group.
- Worked closely with classroom teachers in elementary schools, grades K-5 to develop and teach dance and drama classes that enhance curriculum and build literacy skills.
- Arts education and workshops at Columbia Teacher's College.
- Implemented and coordinated student portfolios in the arts.
- Editor of a monthly newsletter that reached out to parents and families in underserved communities of New York City.

EDUCATION

Goddard College, Plainfield, VT

MFA in Interdisciplinary Arts with a concentration in Theater Directing, Playwriting, and Performance Creation

2019

New York University, New York, NY

Graduate Classes within Gallatin School of Individualized Studies: Performance Studies, Arts Education, Dance Education 2000-2001

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Class of 1998

Bachelor of Arts degree in English, Honors College; Sub-concentration/honors thesis in creative writing: poetry; Classes in the theater BFA department.

Interlochen Arts Academy, Interlochen, MI

Class of 1993

Arts boarding school with college preparatory curriculum; Theater performance major; classes in

Acting Technique, Movement, Speech, Dance, Shakespeare, and Theater Company. Accelerated Academic Program.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Artistic Director of the Green Mountain New Play Festival. 2025.
- Committee Member, VT Agency of Education, VT State Theater Standards and Proficiencies; 2017-present
- Trained in Restorative Practice for schools, 2015
- Vermont Standards Board for Professional Educators; 2014
- Founder and Artistic Director of the Vermont State Theater Lab and 12 Hour Theater Project;
 2012-2017
- Founding member of the Lubberland National Dance Company, The Bread and Puppet Theater, Glover, Vermont; 2004
- Community Member, The Bread and Puppet Theater, Glover, Vermont; 2002-2010

PLAYWRITING

- "My Mother's Three Mothers" produced by Lost Nation Theater, 2023*, chosen for "That's What She Said" Playwright Festival in Brea, California. 2024.
- "Unspoken Word," produced by Stage 32, U-32 High School, 2024. Winner of the Vermont State One Act Play Festival.
- "Anansi and the Twilight Tales" produced by Lost Nation Theater, 2023**
- "Pushing up the Sky" produced by Lost Nation Theater, 2021
- "Antigone: The Climate Wars" produced by Stage 32, U-32 High School, 2020
 - *Nominated for Best New Vermont Play, Broadway World, 2023
 - **Nominated for Best Theater for Young Audiences Vermont Play, Broadway World, 2023

DIRECTING (selected)

- "Hadestown," combined project with U-32 High School and Montpelier High School, 2025
- "Peter and the Starcatcher," U-32 High School, 2023
- "Anansi and the Twilight Tales" (original adaptation), Lost Nation Theater, 2023
- "Pippin," U-32 High School, 2023
- "The Drowsy Chaperone," U-32 High School, 2022
- "Pushing up the Sky" (original adaptation), Lost Nation Theater, 2021
- "Antigone: Climate Wars" (original adaptation), U-32 High School, 2020
- "Avenue Q, School Edition," U-32 High School, 2020
- "Gesso," Edinburgh Fringe Festival, U-32 High School, 2019
- "The Children's Hour," U-32 High School, 2019
- "Little Shop of Horrors," U-32 High School, 2018
- "The Spitfire Grill the Musical," U-32 High School, 2017
- "Cry Baby the Musical," U-32 High School, 2017

- "The Tempest," U-32 High School, 2016
- "Sweeney Todd," U-32 High School, 2015
- "Baggage**," Edinburgh Fringe Festival, U-32 High School, 2015
- "Once On This Island," U-32 High School, 2015
- "Almost, Maine," U-32 High School, 2014
- "Les Miserables," U-32 High School, 2014
- "Strider*," U-32 High School, 2013
- "Legally Blonde the Musical," U-32 High School, 2012
- "The Twits*," U-32 High School, 2011
- "A Midsummer Night's Dream," U-32 High School, 2010
- "Eleemosynary*," Lyndon Institute, 2010
- "The Laramie Project*," Lyndon Institute, 2009
- "American Crisis*," Lyndon Institute, 2008
- "The Pirates of Penzance," Lyndon Institute, 2008
- "Seussical the Musical," Lyndon Institute, 2007
- "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," Lyndon Institute, 2007
- "The Rememberer," Lyndon Institute, 2006
- "The Miss Firecracker Contest," North Country Union High School, 2005
- "Trixie and the Moonbeam*," North Country Union High School, 2004
- "Six Very Busy Days*," North Country Union High School, 2004
- "The Crucible," North Country Union High School, 2003

*Winner of the VT Regional One Act Play Festival/participant in the VT State Drama Festival **Winner of the VT State One Act Festival/participant in the New England Drama Festival

PRODUCING / DESIGN AND PRODUCTION

- "Ms Nelson is Missing," Berlin Elementary School Drama Club, 2023
- "Elf, the Musical," 2022
- "Such Stuff As Dreams Are Made On," U-32 High School, 2022
- "Where the Wild Things Are," Berlin Elementary School Drama Club, 2022
- "Stage 16 (Middle School Theater Program)," U-32 Middle School, 2010-present
- "The VT State Theater Lab and 12-Hour Play Project," 2012-2017
- "The Fantasticks," U-32 High School, 2012
- "The Rimers of Eldritch," U-32 High School, 2011
- "Little Shop of Horrors," Lyndon Institute, 2009

CHOREOGRAPHY (selected)

- "Just So." Interlochen Center for the Arts, 2008
- "Peter Pan," Vermont Children's Theater, 2003
- "The Tempest," Vermont Children's Theater, 2003
- Company member, Notes in Motion Dance Company, NYC, 2000-2002
- "Once On This Island," Young Audiences New York, 2000
- "Schoolhouse Rock Live!," Young Audiences New York, 1999

STAGE ROLES (selected)

- Celia in "As You Like It," Lost Nation Theater
- Yvonne + Ensemble in "Going up the Country," Lost Nation Theater
- Hermia in "A Midsummer Night's Dream," Lost Nation Theater
- Claire in "Proof," Open Door Theater*
- Lady Middleton in "Sense and Sensibility," Lost Nation Theater
- Ensemble + Dancer in "Baggage," Edinburgh Fringe Festival/Stage 32
- KC Twang in "The Last Ride of Buck Corduroy," The Blue Barn Players
- Ensemble + Dancer in "Circus and Pageant," Bread and Puppet Theater
- Dancer in Lubberland Dance Company*, Bread and Puppet Theater
- Elaine in "Arsenic and Old Lace," Saint Johnsbury Players
- Ensemble + Dancer in "Medicine Show," Phish sideshow, Coventry, VT
- Meredith in "Natural's In It," Fringe Festival, NYC
- Elizabeth in "Six Degrees of Separation," Heights Players, Brooklyn, NY

(*founding member)