



David Melcher

Male, 5'8"
Black Hair, Brown Eyes
Baritone

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* A role that involved stunt performance, instruction, and/or choreography

Stage Experience

[Michigan Opera Theater](#)

The Passenger (Rob Kearley)
Don Giovanni (2010 & 2003) (John Pascoe)
Romeo & Juliet

Nazi guard, fight captain*

Swordfight performer*

Fire breather*

[Town Hall Players](#)

Princess Bride (Mike Frye-Henderson)

Inigo Montoya*, fight coordinator

[U of Michigan Gilbert & Sullivan](#)

Pirates of Penzance, 2013 (David Andrews)

Pirate (Bass/Tenor2)*

Pirates of Penzance, 2009 (Conrad Mason)

Pirate (Bass/Tenor2)*

Iolanthe (David Andrews)

Peer (Tenor 2)

[Livonia Shakespeare in the Park](#)

Romeo and Juliet (Kyle Fisher-Grant)

Sampson*

[Dearborn Area Theatre Assoc.](#)

SKYRDHD (Brian Trippel)

(lead)Dave

[PTD Productions](#)

Shakespeare in Love(Joe York)

Lord Wessex*, fight coordinator

The Hollow (David Andrews)

Detective Sgt. Penny

Noises Off (Joe York)

Gary

[Spotlight Players](#)

Death at Dinner (Mark Batell)

Lamont

[Ann Arbor Civic Main Stage](#)

Chess (Glenn Bugala)

TV Announcer, Chorus(Baritone)

Sweeney Todd (Rachel Francisco)

Chorus(Baritone)

The Tempest (David Andrews)

Trinculo

Tom Jones (Jimmy Dee Arnold)

Highwayman*

Guys and Dolls (Brian Buckner)

Hotbox MC, Chorus(Baritone), gambler

Inherit the Wind (Jon Elliot)

Ensemble

Rebel Without A Cause (Lorna Colon)

Ray

[Ann Arbor Civic Studio Series](#)

Pre-Existing Conditions (Sarah Erlewine)

(lead)Raz

A Night in the Theater (Mark Batell)

(lead)Walter

Home Again, Jiggety Jig (Reading) (Paul Bianchi)

Sonny

Sleepwalker (Staged Reading) (Steve Daut)

Kraus

Not Waving (Cassie Mann)

(lead)All male roles

Earth and Sky (Matt Martello)

Detective Kersnowski

[Sonic Boom Artistry](#)

Stupid Whip Tricks (*Whip Stunts/Comedy*)

(lead)The Whip Guy*

Romeo & Juliet & Zombies

Tybalt*

[Ring of Steel Action Theater](#)

Indiana Jones Stunt Show (Athena Eyster)

(lead)Indiana Jones*

Down & Out on the Barbary Coast

1st Mate Wendel Pillsbury*

Dead Man's Trail (Brodie H. Brockie)

(lead)Captain Frees*

[The Path Macabre](#)

Star Wars Pops Concert

Lightsaber fight performer*

[Detroit Symphony Orchestra](#)

Buckler O'Maddic (Ken Lipka)

Nigel O'Maddic*

[Theatrical Combat Network](#)

Mischief Impossible (Ken Lipka)

Captain Mad Dog Boone*

[Wild Swan Theater](#)

Treasure Island (Hilary Cohen)

Dr. Livesey*

[Open Heart Magic](#)

Volunteer magician at Mott Children's Hospital. Mostly close-up magic for bed side performance.

Film Experience

<i>Staying Together While Falling Apart</i>	Doctor	TLBM Productions
<i>Electron Blade</i>	Terris*	TK2 Films
Real Steel	Fight Fan (extra)	(Shawn Levy)Angry Films
<i>World's Strongest</i>	Gang Member*	(Marquan D'Artagnan dir)
Shadow Earth	Wraith*	Iron Core Entertainment (Nathan Quinn)
Amil the Ewok	Jedi Master Gial Hodti*	Iron Core Entertainment (Nathan Quinn)
Necroland	Necrit*, Rom*	Iron Core Entertainment (Nathan Quinn)
<i>Bloodgames</i>	Battle scene performer, choreographer*	(Jason Waugh dir)
<i>Moment of Silence</i>	Ron, music snob	Turn Around Now Productions
<i>Ice Shield of Aletheia</i>	Mockmor*	Golden Lion Pictures (Stephen Allison)
Technology Demo	Lead Developer	Ford Motor Company

Voice-over

Commando Ninja	English dubbing for John Hunter
Kubold Games & Animation	Aliens, Trolls, & Dragons (Video Game) Voice of Maj. John Knapp
Cybernet Systems Corporation	Promotional videos from 1998 – 2010.
Erfworld Action Comic	Hamstard
Promotional spots for numerous clients, including BrickMarkers.com, MuleSoft, Mercan, Avnet, and Arizona Airparks	

Additional Stunt Instruction

<i>Moon Over Buffalo</i>	Stunt Director	(Jon Elliot) Ann Arbor Civic Theater
<i>Tosca</i>	High Fall Instructor	(Bernard Uzan) Michigan Opera Theater
<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Swordplay Instructor	Toledo Opera
<i>Kiss Me Kate</i>	Bullwhip Instructor	(Edmond Reynolds) Ann Arbor Civic Theater
<i>Treasure Island</i>	Swordplay Instructor, choreographer	(Hilary Cohen) Wild Swan Theater

Theatrical combat instruction and performance all done with a perfect safety record.

Stunt Training

Member of Ring of Steel since 2001
Member of Theatrical Combat Network since formation in 2006
Member of Theatrica Gladitoria since formation in 2020
1st dan black belt, USTU Tae Kwon Do

Stunt Skills

- Rolls, low falls, break falls, dive rolls, all safely, even on pavement
- High falls up to 16', Mini Trampoline
- Weaponless fighting (punches & kicks, knaps, grapples, throws)
- Sword play (rapier, broadsword, cutlass, katana, lightsaber)
- Off hand weapon (dagger, cloak, shield, improvised weapon, torch, whip, etc)
- Whip use (trick cracks, target shooting, use in fights such as grapples, weapon/wrist/ankle wraps, disarms, handle strikes.)
- Other weapons (staff, spear, sai)
- Fire performance and safety spotting, fire safety protocols, fire whip performance
- Basic firearm performance safety
- Butterfly knife flourishes

Additional Skills

- Singer, Bass, vocal range D2 to G4
- Basic to Intermediate skill with Guitar, piano, concertina, flute, harmonica, double ocarina, trumpet, Chapman stick
- Rock climbing, belaying, rappelling, basic rope work, rope climbing