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### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

(4/15/19)

### **EDUCATION:**

Ph.D. in Theatre Studies; City University of New York Graduate Center, 2004.

M.Phil. in Dramatic Literature; City University of New York Graduate Center, 2002.

M.A. in Creative Writing (Playwriting); Boston University, 1995.

B.F.A. in Acting; University of Southern California, 1987.

### **EXECUTIVE EDUCATIONAL POSITIONS:**

# Department Chair, Liberal Arts Program; The Los Angeles Film School, 2014 - Present

-Responsibilities include overseeing all Liberal Arts faculty, curriculum development and expansion, hiring, budget oversight, educational and community outreach, extra-curricular initiatives, student mentoring, and long-term vision.

### **TEACHING POSITIONS AND EXPERIENCE:**

#### **Adjunct Professor**

Santa Monica College; Department of Film, Summer 2014 - Present

Courses Taught: Film 1: Film Appreciation

Film 2: *Film History*Film 20: *Screenwriting* 

# **Course Director/Professor of Cultural Studies**

The Los Angeles Film School; Department of Film, 2008 - 2014.

Courses Taught: Film and Society

Aesthetics and Culture

Historical Archetypes and Mythology Critical and Historical Studies in Film

History of Culture Screenwriting Directing Acting Guild New York University; Department of Drama, Fall 2003 - 2007.

Courses Taught: Theatre H28.0711: *Ancient Greek Theatre* 

Theatre H28.0500: *Introduction to Theatre Studies*Theatre H28.0618: *Major Playwrights: Tom Stoppard* 

# **Teaching Fellow**

Hunter College; Department of Theatre, Fall 2000 - Spring 2002.

Courses Taught: Theatre 213: World Theatre III (Twentieth Century Theatre)

Theatre 101: Introduction to Theatre

Theatre 161: *Acting I* (Introduction to Basic Acting Techniques)

Theatre 261: **Acting II** (Intermediate Acting)

Boston University; Department of English, Fall 1994 - Spring 1995.

Course Taught: English 101: *Introduction to Creative Writing* (Fiction, Poetry, Playwriting)

**Adjunct Lecturer** 

**Brooklyn College**; Department of Theatre, Fall 1999 - Spring 2000.

Courses Taught: Theatre 40.1: *History of Western Theatre* (Ancient Greek Theatre -- Present)

Theatre II: Introduction to Acting

City College of New York; Department of English, Fall 1998 - Spring 1999.

Course Taught: Speech 111: Introduction to Public Speaking

**Guest Artist** 

Bowdoin College, Brunswick, ME; Department of Theatre and Dance, Spring1997.

Courses Taught: Series of Lectures and Workshops (Acting, Directing, Playwriting)

**PUBLICATIONS**:

**Books** 

Aesthetics and the Cinematic Narrative: An Introduction (Anthem Press, May 2019)

**The Light in the Dark: The Evolution, Mechanics, and Purpose of Cinema** (Cognella Press, August 2019)

"Fortune's Knave: Sex, Politics, and Machiavellian Doctrine in William Shakespeare's Antony in Cleopatra"; a Chapter in **Playing Shakespeare's Villains: Monarchs and Madmen** (ed. Louis Fantasia; Peter Lang Publishing, July 2019)

### Articles, Interviews, and Reviews

"Slaying Pentheus"; The Montreal Review: Spring 2017.

"Like a True Servant: Re-thinking John Philip Kemble", Modern Mask (Volume I, Issue #4): Spring 2008.

"Ospis and Logos: Euripides's **Hecuba** at the Pearl Theatre Company and Will Powers's **The Seven** at New York Theatre Workshop"; **Theatre Journal**: Spring, 2007.

"Said's Children: **Before Orientalism: London's Theatre of the East 1576-1626** by Richmond Barbour and **Traffic and Turning: Islam and English Drama 1579-1624** by Jonathan Burton"; **Theatre Survey**: Spring, 2007.

"Alive in a Box: Modern Tragicomedy and the Plays of Tom Stoppard"; Modern Mask (Volume I, Issue #3): Spring 2007.

"The Idea of Art Theatre: Past, Present, Future: Anatoly Smeliansky at Hunter College"; Slavic and East European Performance: Summer, 1998.

"You Will Never Get to Moscow: An Interview with Anatoly Smeliansky"; Slavic and East European Performance: Summer, 1998.

"The Sovremennik Theatre Company's Production of **The Cherry Orchard** at the Martin Beck Theatre"; **Slavic and East European Performance**: Spring, 1998.

### **Online Journals**

MODERN MASK: A Journal of the Arts (www.modernmask.org)

-Founder and Editor-in-Chief (Fall 2006-Present)

## **EXECUTIVE POSITIONS:**

### **CEO**

# **MEANSTREET Productions** (1988 — Present)

-Responsibilities include play selection, casting, directing, scriptwriting, producing, budgeting, grant-writing, fundraising, assemblage of respective creative teams, and a wide variety of additional managerial and administrative tasks.

www.meanstreet.org

#### **FOUNDING PARTNER**

# **CAMPUSPRO GROUP** (2016 — Present)

-Responsibilities include New Program Design, Curriculum Development, Online Strategies, Hybrid Scheduling, Faculty Training, Accreditation Applications, Integrated Expansion, Internal Restructuring, Efficiency Assessment, and long-term vision.

www.campusprogroup.com

# **ARTISTIC DIRECTOR**

# Meanstreet Productions (1988 - Present)

-Responsibilities include play selection, casting, directing, budgeting, grant-writing, fundraising, assemblage of respective creative teams, and a wide variety of additional managerial and administrative tasks.

# **EDITOR-IN-CHIEF**

# Modern Mask: A Journal of the Arts (2004 - Present)

-Responsibilities include the establishment and maintenance of both short and long-term vision, the assemblage and maintenance of both the editorial team and writing staff, complete editorial oversight, budgeting, grant-writing, fundraising, and a wide variety of additional managerial and administrative tasks.

## **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:**

# **Lectures and Readings**

"Ritual, Tradition, and the Origins of Western Drama: Aeschylus's **Seven Against Thebes**"; New York Theatre Workshop, January, 2006.

*"Me Up at Does: e.e. cummings and the Primacy of Form"*: Lecture at the e.e. cummings Pre-Centennial Tribute; Jefferson Market Library, March, 1992.

### THEATRE PRODUCTION EXPERIENCE:

**ACTING** (Complete Resume Available Upon Request)

-Extensive Film, Television, and Theatre Credits.

# Representative Roles:

## **TELEVISION**

How to Get Away with Murder	"Butch"	ABC Television
NCIS	"Max Talia"	<b>CBS</b> Television
Law and Order: L.A.	"Sarkhesian"	NBC Television
Law and Order: CI	"Jules"	NBC Television
Law and Order: SVU	"Michael"	NBC Television
Law and Order (2/92)	"Bucci"	ABC Television
Law and Order (2/99)	"Marsden"	ABC Television
The Eleventh Hour	"Dr. Heisey"	CBS Television
100 Centre Street	"Lance"	A&E Television
Strong Medicine	"Tommy"	Lifetime
Swift Justice	"Sheehan"	<b>UPN Television</b>

### **FILM**

Dolemite Is My Name"Lester Bihari"Dir.: Craig BrewerSweet and Lowdown"Lynch"Dir.: Woody AllenDrag Me to Hell"Ivan"Dir.: Sam RaimiBleach"Michael"Dir.: Bill Platt

Bury the Evidence "Observer" Dir.: J. Greg DeFelice

### **THEATRE**

The Seagull"Trigorin"Dir.: Anna Deavere SmithSunshine"Nelson"Dir.: Joe BrancatoMeasure for Measure"Angelo"Dir.: William WoodmanThe Cherry Orchard"Simeonov-Pischik"Dir.: James Gierman

PLAYWRITING (Complete Resume Available Upon Request)

# Productions, Workshops, and Readings

Pound of FleshTaos Center for the Arts (2006)Pound of FleshOdyssey Theatre Ensemble (2006)

**Pound of Flesh** Edinburgh International Theatre Festival (2005)

**Pound of Flesh** Berkshire Theatre Festival (2001)

Hats Canes Trunks Trains Circle X Theatre (2000)

**Pound of Flesh** Boston Playwrights' Theatre (1998)

Hats Canes Trunks Trains Westbank Theatre (1997)

**Ex Machina** Boston Playwrights' Theatre (1995)

Shaman in the HouseWorkhouse Theatre (1993)West of CanaanWorkhouse Theatre (1993)Attic PeopleKampo Cultural Center

Working Title Acting Management Studios (1992)

### **STAGE DIRECTING** (Complete Resume Available Upon Request)

### **New York**

Othello Shakespeare Kampo Cultural Center Macbeth Shakespeare Sanford Meisner Theatre Shakespeare Richard II Kampo Cultural Center Taming of the Shrew Shakespeare Sanford Meisner Theatre Sam Shepard Trocadero Theatre Red Cross The Author's Voice Richard Greenberg Kampo Cultural Center West of Canaan Michael Peter Bolus **Acting Management** Working Title Michael Peter Bolus **Acting Management** Endgame Samuel Beckett Trocadero Theatre

### **Regional and International**

Pound of FleshMichael Peter BolusOdyssey Theatre EnsemblePound of FleshMichael Peter BolusEdinburgh Theatre FestivalPound of FleshMichael Peter BolusTaos Center for the Arts

Second Time Running Chris Wall Boston Playwrights' Theatre Three Sisters Anton Chekhov St. George Theatre Happy Days Samuel Beckett Northwood Theatre True West Sam Shepard Northwood Theatre No Exit Jean-Paul Sartre Northwood Theatre See How They Run Phillip King St. George Theatre Through the Years Musical Revue St. George Theatre Clean Well-lighted Place Hemingway Northwood Theatre

### FILM DIRECTING

An Idea for the Killing (also writer)
Importance of Ernest
Sullivan Street (also writer)

## **AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS:**

- -Teaching Fellowship; Hunter College, Dept. of Theatre, Fall 2000-Spring 2002.
- -Boston Playwrights' Theatre Playwriting Fellowship, 1994-95. (1992 Nobel Laureate Derek Walcott, Artistic Director)
- -Teaching Fellowship; Boston University, Dept. of English, 1994-95.
- -Boston University Academic Scholarship, 1994-95.
- -University of Southern California Academic Scholarship, 1984-87.
- -Irene Ryan Award for Acting, 1987.

# **MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:**

- -SAG/AFTRA
- -Actors' Equity Association
- -Modern Language Association
- -International Brecht Society
- -Association of Literary Scholars and Critics

# **REFERENCES**:

Salvador Carrasco, Head of Film Production Program; Santa Monica College. Contact Info: carrasco\_salvador@smc.edu

Maria Munoz, Chair, Communication and Media Studies Department; Santa Monica College. Contact Info: munoz maria@smc.edu

Hal Lieberman, Program Director, Entertainment Business; The Los Angeles Film School. Contact Info: hlieberman@lafilm.edu

Marvin Carlson, Professor; City University of New York Graduate Center. Contact Info: mcarlson@gc.cuny.edu