# **CATE BREWER**

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#### **EDUCATION:**

Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) M.F.A. in Theatre (Concentration in Performance) GPA 4.0, 2009

Michael Howard Studio One Year Acting Conservatory Program, Certificate, 2003-2004

Washington University in St. Louis B.A. in Theatre (Emphasis in Acting), Magna Cum Laude, 2000

# **TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

# **UNIVERSITY OF MARY WASHINGTON (August 2009-present)**

Senior Lecturer in Theatre (August 2018-present)

Lecturer in Theatre (Full-time Renewable Term Appointment Fall 2013-August 2018)

Visiting Assistant Professor (Fall 2010-Spring 2013)

Adjunct Faculty (Fall 2009-Spring 2010)

#### Courses:

FSEM: Solo Performance and You THEA 111: Introduction to Theatre THEA 112: Introduction to Acting

THEA 321: Acting One THEA 322: Acting Two THEA 411: Acting Styles THEA 482: Senior Project THEA 491: Individual Study

# **GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY (Summer 2014)**

Professorial Lecturer in Theatre

**Courses:** 

TRDA 1214: Introduction to Acting

# **VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY (2007-2009)**

Adjunct Faculty (Spring 2008-Spring 2009)

**Courses:** 

THEA 107: Introduction to Stage Performance

THEA 113: Acting One SPCH 121: Effective Speech

THEA 491: Monologue Technique

Teaching Assistant (Fall 2007-Spring 2008)

**Courses:** 

THEA 212: Introduction to Drama THEA 308: History of Theatre THEA 313: Actors' Studio THEA 314: Actors' Studio

## ADDITIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

## Teaching Artist, Imagination Stage, Summer 2011-2013

Acting Shakespeare: The Tragedies, Acting Shakespeare: The Comedies, and Acting 101.

# Director of Acting, Clear Space Theatre Company, Summer 2012

Directed a week long all day acting intensive for ages 6-18, culminating in final performance.

# **Teaching Artist, City of Fairfax Theatre Company, Summer 2010**

Taught six-week acting camp for ages 6-16.

#### Teaching Artist, The Richmond Shakespeare Company, 2007-2009

Taught various Shakespeare acting intensives for ages 8-17.

# **SPECIALIZED TRAINING:**

**Shakespeare & Company Center for Actor Training Weekend Intensive, Fall 2018**, Tina Packer

Advanced Actor Training: Tennessee Williams Workshop, Atlantic Theater, NYC, Fall **2017**, Karen Kohlhaas

Alliance of Acting Teachers Annual Conference, New School, NYC, Summer 2017

**Teacher Training Monologue Workshop, Atlantic Theater, NYC, Summer 2016** Karen Kohlhaas

#### Teacher Development Program, Actors Center, NYC, Summer 2011

Slava Dolgachev; Artistic Director, New Theatre of Moscow, Ron Van Lieu; Chair of the Acting Program, Yale School of Drama

On-camera acting (NYC): Alexandra Neil

Audition Skills (NYC): Caryn West

**Alexander Technique for Actors (NYC):** Daniel Singe

**Movement and Lucid Body Technique (NYC):** Fay Simpson

**Shakespearian Verse Technique and Style (NYC and London):** Elizabeth Swain, Jane Lapotaire (RSC), Patrick Spottiswoode (Globe)

**Text Analysis (NYC):** Slava Dolgachev, Diane Shalet

Scene Study (NYC): Ron Van Lieu, Michael Howard, Larry Singer

Improvisation (NYC): Jane Nichols, Armando Diaz

Monologue Technique (NYC): Jacqueline Brogan

Vocal Production: Make Your Voice Heard (NYC): David Wells

**Vocal Training for the Stage:** Janet Rodgers

International Training: Globe Theatre Program, London, England

#### **DIRECTING EXPERIENCE:**

Dead Man's Cell PhoneUniversity of Mary Washington, Spring 2018Steel MagnoliasUniversity of May Washington, Spring 2017FrozenUniversity of Mary Washington, Spring 2016Lady Windermere's FanUniversity of Mary Washington, Spring 2015The Miss Firecracker ContestUniversity of Mary Washington, Fall 2013

Chance Encounter DC SWAN Day 2013

Four Riffs For A Sailor Guillotine Theatre/Kennedy Center Page-to-Stage Festival

Into The Woods City of Fairfax Theatre Co.

Gina and Her GPS DC SWAN Day 2012

The Glass Menagerie Virginia Commonwealth University

(Ass. Dir. to Janet B. Rodgers)

Return to the Upright Position Firehouse Theatre Project

Minimalist Mondays Virginia Commonwealth University

# ACTING EXPERIENCE: (AEA)

**Off-Broadway:** 

The Vagina Monologues Ensemble The Soho Playhouse

**Off-Off Broadway:** 

Church Choir Young Jean Lee's Theater

Company/PS 122

Sally Laura Afrikan Women's Repertory

MacbethThird WitchThe Cage Theatre Co.Push Up 1-3MariaDesert Apple Theatre Co.Stories of Oscar WildeEnsembleWaterloo Bridge Theatre Co.

The Importance of Being

**Earnest** 

Lady Bracknell

Waterloo Bridge Theatre Co.

**Regional:** 

Sense and Sensibility
Hootenanny
The Lady and the Tyrant

Rosencrantz and Guildenstern

Are Dead

Isis and Vesco The Woman in Black

Fool for All

Plays on the American Mask

All My Sons

MAE (premiere production)

The Exonerated Agnes of God

Count Basil (premiere)

Royal Gambit

The Merchant of Venice

In Good Company: Sexual

Icons (premiere)

Mrs. Jennings Folger Theatre
Samantha Guillotine Theatre
Lady Guillotine Theatre
u/s (Gertrude/Tragedian) Folger Theatre

u/s (derti dde/ fragediaii)

Isis Guillotine Theatre
Woman in Black Keegan Theatre

Innamorata Faction of Fools Theatre Co.
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Sue Bayliss

Beverly West

Sandra/Sue

Dr. Martha Livingstone

Keegan Theatre

KatPa Productions

Synapse Theatre Co.

Rhodora Theatre Co.

Isabella

Kathryn Howard Salerino and Salerio

alerino and Salerio Shakespeare in the Parque

Madeline Horizons Theatre Co.

**Readings:** 

Virginian Luxuries

Virago Sinner-Man

The Revelation of Bobby Pritchard Waiting Lessons

The Ballad of The Sad Café

Magnificent Waste

Blackmail

Shanghai to Beijing That Takes Ovaries Permillia Crimson Queen Lumberjack #1 Kathy

Claire

Mrs. Hasty Malone

Lizzie B

Jenny and Michelle

Sue Rachel Spooky Action Theater

Horizons Theatre Co.

**British Players** 

Kennedy Center Theater Alliance

Spooky Action Theater DC SWAN Day 2012 CTEK Arts/Arena Stage Firehouse Theatre Project

Playwright's Forum Playwright's Forum Horizons Theatre

**Television:** 

Twisted Fate Stolen Voices Buried Secrets Who the Bleep Did I Marry? Who the Bleep Did I Marry? The Teacher Charlotte Woody Party Goer Patricia Cornwell Sirens Media/Lifetime Sirens Media/Discovery Sirens Media/Discovery Sirens Media/Discovery

**Commercials:** 

Verizon Wireless, Nokia On-line

**Independent Film:** 

The Good Listener Brokerage Agent Randall Blair

The Good Guys Festival Patron Glamorama Pictures

**Corporate and Industrial Films:** 

This Vote Counts Young Mom/Supporting Move On/PAC

Breathe Woman/Supporting Link Technologies, LLC

#### **NEW PLAY WORKSHOPS:**

**Artists' Bloc,** *The Green Sweater* **by Hannah Rebecca Fogler, March 2012** Played the role of Amy in new play workshop sessions.

**Artists' Bloc,** *Interconnected* **by Brian Schwartz and Karen Snyder, March 2012** Played the role of Sarah in new play workshop sessions.

## **DRAMATURGICAL EXPERIENCE:**

The Glass Menagerie Directed by Janet B. Rodgers VCU

In Good Company: Sexual IconsDirected by Leslie JacobsonHorizons TheatreSpinning Into ButterDirected by Scott ZiglerRep. Theatre of

(Assistant) St. Louis Richard II Directed by Robert Woodruff ART, Cambridge

(Assistant)

#### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:**

#### Mid-America Theatre Conference, 2009-2018

Paper: "Spinning Out of Control: Navigating Professional Practice in the Academic Realm"

Paper: "Overcoming the Obstacle: Less Trying and More Doing Both On Stage and Off"

Paper: "Variety is the Spice of Something: An Examination of the 2015 Capital Fringe Festival production of *Cold As Death: The Lady and the Tyrant"* 

Paper: "Inspiration and the Individual: Working Through A Divergent Vision"

Paper: "Contemporizing Commedia: Re-envisioning the Renaissance"

Paper: "Producing a Pearl: A Comparison of Community vs. Professional Theatre Work and How Myths of Creativity Affect the Production Process"

Paper: "Process vs. Performance: The Work of Creating Theatre in a Results Driven Realm."

Paper: "The Company You Keep: Engendering Ensemble With A Diva In The Crowd"

Paper: "Letting Go of the Luddite; Adapting Our Craft in a Technology Obsessed Culture"

Paper: "Splintered and a Great Silence: The Production of *Return to the Upright Position* by Caridad Svich"

#### **RELATED THEATRE EXPERIENCE:**

**Advertising Associate**, Theatre Communications Group (TCG), NYC, 2006-2007 **PR Director**, Horizons Theatre, Washington, DC, 2002-2003 Season **Literary Intern**, American Repertory Theater, Cambridge, MA, 2000-2001 **Literary Intern**, Studio Theatre, Washington, DC, summer, 2000

# PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

Actors' Equity Association (AEA)
National Alliance of Acting Teachers
Association for Theatre in Higher Education (ATHE)
Mid-America Theatre Conference (MATC)
Theatre Communications Group (TCG)
Actors' Center, Washington, DC

## **AWARDS AND HONORS:**

Faculty Supplemental Grant, University of Mary Washington: 2010-2017

Open Travel Grant, University of Mary Washington: 2009

Graduate Assistantship, Virginia Commonwealth University: 2008-2009

Graduate Travel Grant, Virginia Commonwealth University: 2008

#### **SERVICE ACTIVITIES:**

#### **University of Mary Washington**

University Faculty Affairs Committee, 2017-2018

Departmental Assessment Coordinator, Department of Theatre and Dance 2013-present

Major Advisor, Department of Theatre and Dance, 2011-present

First-year Advisor, College of Arts and Sciences, 2011-present

#### **Virginia Commonwealth University**

Orientation Advisor, 2009

Course Scheduling and Enrollment Assistant, Department of Theatre, 2009

Mid-America Theatre Conference: Co-Chair Practice/Production Symposium, 2013-15

DC Metro Theater Arts: Staff Writer

Helen Hayes Awards: Reviewer, 2010-2015, 2018-present

Virginia High School League: Commonwealth District Theatre Festival: Reviewer

Evergreen District One-Act Play Festival: Reviewer

Senior Booster Scholarship Program, Fairfax High School: Reviewer