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Dramatists Guild | SDC | STAGE DIRECTORS AND CHOREOGRAPHERS SOCIETY

Direction

King of the Yees | Lauren Yee | Profile Theatre | Portland Oregon
Beatrice | composed by Dave Ragland libretto by Mary McCallum | Portland Opera | Portland OR
The Chinese Lady | Lloyd Suh | Artists Repertory Theatre | Portland Oregon
Wayfinding | Whitney Rowland | Willamette University | Salem Oregon
School Girls; Or, the African Mean Girls Play | Jocelyn Bioh | Portland Center Stage | 2020
Is God Is | Aleshea Harris | Washington Ensemble Theatre | 2019
The Revolutionists | Lauren Gunderson | Artists Repertory Theatre | 2019
Midsummer Night's Dream | William Shakespeare | Anonymous Theatre | co-director 2018
An Octoroon | Branden Jacob-Jenkins | Artists Repertory Theatre | co-director 2017
Columbinus | Stephen Karam & Pj Paparelli | Oregon Children's Theatre | 2015
Charlotte's Web | by Joseph Robinette | Oregon Children's Theatre | 2014
Taming of the Shrew | William Shakespeare | Portland Playhouse Shakespeare Festival
Playland | by Athol Fugard | staged reading | Profile Theatre | 2013
Locomotion | by Jacqueline Woodson | Oregon Children's Theatre

Development

Young Playwrites | Director | JAW Festival | Portland Center Stage | Portland Oregon
Stains | Director | by Sarah Cho | Ashland New plays Festival | Ashland Oregon
The Transformation of Joan Little | Director | Bobby Bermea | ART: Mercury Festival | Portland OR
Ashes Under Gait City | Director | by Christina Anderson | Portland Playhouse | Portland Oregon

Playwright | Creator

Rudy Project | Mercury Festival | Artists Repertory Theatre | Portland Oregon
RENAISSANCE : TECHNICALLY | Portland Center Stage | Portland Oregon
T.I.N.A | 48 hour Film Festival | Portland Oregon
Mutt | directed by Kristan Seemel | IFCC | Portland Oregon
Blue Line | directed by Kristan Seemel | Theatre Vertigo 24 hour play festival | Portland Oregon

Awards|Grants|Affiliations

DNA: Oxygen | Advisory Committee |

Resident Artist | Artists Repertory Theatre

2012 Drammy Award winner | “Locomotion”- Outstanding Achievement by a Director

2005 Regional Arts & Culture Council | Project Grant | Portland Oregon

Teaching

Shakespeare Festival - Artist in residence |Portland Playhouse

Oregon Children’t Theatre Educational Theatre Program | Anti- Bullying program

Puppetry in Schools |Tears of Joy Puppet Theatre

Training

California Institute of the Arts | MFA

Puppetry |Janie Geiser

Voice |Fran Bennet

Acting |Travis Preston