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(SELECTED CREDITS)

BROADWAY

RAISING THE ROOF - 50th Anniversary Gala Celebrating of *Fiddler on the Roof* Town Hall, NYC

(Conceived and Directed; with Topol, Joshua Bell, Andrea Martin, Sheldon Harnick, Chita Rivera, Karen Ziemba, Fyvush Finkel, Jackie Hoffman, Jerry Zaks, Austin Pendleton, Pia Zadora, Jeffrey Lyons, Hal Prince, numerous members of the Original Broadway and the 1971 Motion Picture casts)

NATIONAL TOURS

FOOTLOOSE – The 10th Anniversary Tour

BEEHIVE – THE 60'S MUSICAL!

CADDIE WOODLAWN

Prather Entertainment Group

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ArtsPower National Touring Theatre

OFF BROADWAY

SHAW SONGS

PINS AND NEEDLES (w/ Karen Mason & Jim Walton)

MARRY ME A LITTLE (w/ Sally Mayes & Brent Barrett)

ANOTHER DAY IN PARADISE (MD: Phil Hall)

BLESSINGS OF THE DAY (“Fresh Ink” Series)

IN MY DREAM...

Gingold Theatre Group, NYC

Jewish Rep, NYC

Queens Theatre, NYC

Triad/ Beechman/ Zipper Theatres, NYC

Primary Stages, NYC

Vortex Theatre Company, NYC

OPERA

CANDIDE

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM opera a cappella

(Ching; World Premiere; Recording on Albany label)

DIE FLEDERMAUS

Cabrillo Stage, CA

Opera Memphis, TN

Finger Lakes Opera, NY

REGIONAL

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF (w/ Brad Oscar)

ALWAYS...PATSY CLINE (w/ Sally Struthers; 5 productions total)

THE FULL MONTY

ROMANCE / ROMANCE

GREASE

SMOKEY JOE'S CAFÉ

I LOVE YOU, YOU'RE PERFECT, NOW CHANGE (3 productions total)

JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR

THE LIGHT IN THE PIAZZA

LES MISÉRABLES

NEXT TO NORMAL

THE KING AND I (5 productions total)

1940 SWING!

Barrington Stage Company, MA

Virginia Musical Theatre, VA

Phoenix Theatre, AZ

Fulton Opera House, PA

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Foothills Theatre, MA

Seacoast Repertory Theatre, NH

Albuquerque Civic Light Opera, NM

Playhouse on the Square, TN

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Musical Theatre Southwest, NM

CAST Theatre, Hollywood, CA

STOCK

FOOTLOOSE (w/ John Herrera)

HAIRSPRAY (w/ Paul Vogt)

AIDA (w/ Montego Glover & Adrian Zmed)

WEST SIDE STORY

ANNIE GET YOUR GUN

THE SOUND OF MUSIC (w/ Rex Smith)

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF (w/ Lewis J. Stadlen)

PETER PAN (w/ Robert Westenberg; 3 productions total)

ANNIE (w/ Beth Leavel; 3 productions total)

Broadway at Music Circus, CA

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Ogunquit Playhouse, ME

St. Louis MUNY / KC Starlight Theatre

The MUNY, St. Louis, MO

Lyric Theatre of Oklahoma

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF (1995 / 2016)
TINTYPES
THE FANTASTICKS
GODSPELL
A GRAND NIGHT FOR SINGING (2 productions total)
OLIVER!
MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS (4 productions total)
DRIVING MISS DAISY
PRELUDE TO A KISS

Maine State Music Theatre
ArtisTree Music Theatre Festival, VT
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West Virginia Public Theatre
Finger Lakes Opera
Surflight Theatre, NJ
Hampton Playhouse, NH
Bristol Valley Theater, NY
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DINNER THEATRE

LA CAGE AUX FOLLES (3 productions total)
CAMELOT
FIDDLER ON THE ROOF (w/ Mike Burstyn)
LA CAGE AUX FOLLES (w/ Tom Ulrich)

Downtown Cabaret Theatre, CT
Westchester Broadway Theatre, NY
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INDUSTRIALS

ABBOTT, ALCON, BLOCKBUSTER, CANON, CHOICE HOTELS, CREATIVE MEMORIES, DIAGEO/GUINNESS, DUNKIN' DONUTS, EMD SERONO, ESSILOR, INTEL, FIS, GOODYEAR, KPMG, NCR, SAM'S CLUB, SAMSUNG, SHAW FLOORS, SILPADA, TGI FRIDAY'S, TRANSITIONS, TRUE VALUE, WAL MART, ZEBRA TECHNOLOGIES

UNIVERSITY

Adjunct Director/Choreographer: Montclair State University, NJ
Guest Artist: Coastal Carolina University, Hofstra University, Muhlenberg College, New York University/Steinhardt, SUNY Buffalo, SUNY Fredonia, University of Arkansas, University of Colorado, University of Findlay, University of New Mexico, University of Pennsylvania, University of South Dakota, University of Tulsa

AWARDS/HONORS

Connecticut Critics Circle Award – Outstanding Direction (*LA CAGE AUX FOLLES*); **Ostrander Award** – Best Direction of a Musical (*NEXT TO NORMAL*); **Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival Award** – Best Ensemble (*DROOD*); **BroadwayWorld Award** – Best Dance Performance (*FIDDLER ON THE ROOF* – Maine State Music Theatre); **BroadwayWorld Awards** – Best Direction & Best Choreography (*FIDDLER ON THE ROOF* – Barrington Stage); **Judy Award** – Best Director (*FIDDLER ON THE ROOF* – MUNY); **Phoenix Award** – Best Choreography (*HELLO, DOLLY!*); **Vicki Award** – Best Director (*FIDDLER ON THE ROOF* – Maine State Music Theatre); **Clifton Webb Award, 2 Loewe Fellowships**

Multiple Nominations including Kevin Kline Awards, Robby Awards, AriZoni Awards, ACT Awards, Ostrander Awards, Perry Awards, St. Louis Circle Awards, BroadwayWorld Awards

TRAINING

DEGREE: BA Theatre/Dance – UCLA; **ACTING:** Michael Beckett, Edward Morehouse; **MUSICAL COMEDY:** Edward Greenberg; **CHOREOGRAPHY:** Carol Scothorn; **DANCE:** Mia Slavenska, Peggy Ryan, Lynn Dally, Tanya Everett, Eddie Zawacki, Rich Rizzo, David Storey

SKILLS/OTHER

- Extensive experience with *Fiddler on the Roof* (directing productions nationally / internationally) recreating Robbins choreography. Resume on request.
- Have been involved in the creative process for more than a dozen new works.
- Though no longer a performer, over fifteen years of additional professional experience, including Broadway, National and International tours. Member: AEA, SAG-AFTRA
- Reviews, References, Video clips and Performance resume available on request.

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