## GREGORY DeCANDIA

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#### TRAINING

University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, MFA: Acting

Emerson College, BFA: Acting Studio

ACTING: Ray Dooley, Julia Gibson, Rhea Gasiner, Omar Shapli

MOVEMENT: Craig Turner, Fey Simpson, Sarah Hickler, Tommy Noonan, Maria Soyla

Enriquez, Zachary Fine

VOICE: Scott Miller, John Patrick, Amelia Broome-Silberman, Antonio Ocampo-

Guzman, Todd Gordon

FILM: David Hyde Pierce, Brian Hargrove, Darcy Peabody

**DEVISING:** Amelia Cardwell, John Collins, Davis Robinson

## **TEACHING**

Head of BA Theatre and Performance/ Assistant Professor of Theatre

#### **Oklahoma City University School of Theatre**

2016-

Present

Courses: Audition Techniques, Acting I, Acting II, Devising, Theatre for Social Change Sophomore Jury, and Festival of New Work

Theatre Instructor

#### **UNC Chapel Hill Department of Dramatic Art**

2014-16

Courses: Intro to Acting, Documentary Theatre

Head of Theatre Department

### Boys' Latin of Philadelphia

2011-13

Courses: Presentational Skills, Acting I, Acting II, Documentary Theatre

Director of Theatre/ Assistant Fine Arts Chair

Colegio Interamericano, Guatemala

2003-04

Courses: Intro to Theatre (Pre-K-8), Acting, Devising

Theatre Director

Malden School District Afterschool Program, Malden, MA

1999

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#### NONPROFIT WORK EXPERIENCE

Executive Director, Ignition Arts, 2012-Present

Head of Business Development, South St. Headhouse District Board, 2010-2013

Founder/Producing Artistic Director, BCKSEET Productions, 2000-2011

Operations Manager, Society Hill Playhouse, Philadelphia, PA 2007-2010

Master of Ceremonies, Philadelphia Magic Gardens Annual ArtGage Festival, PA 2008-2009

Interim Educational Outreach Director, Walnut Street Theatre, Fall 2007

Events Coordinator, Society Hill Playhouse, Philadelphia, PA 2004-2007

## PERFORMANCES, WORKSHOPS, MASTER CLASSES, GUEST ARTIST

**Performances:** Silhouettes of Service

Oklahoma Contemporary, OKC, OK

Cumberland County College, Vineland, NJ University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

NC Museum of History, Raleigh, NC

Master Class: "Evolution of a Modern Artist," University of North Carolina Charlotte

"Assembling: Angels in America," Philadelphia Community College

Workshops: "Mixing Mediums," Booker T Washington High School for the Performing &

Visual Arts, Dallas, TX

"Creating Character: Into The Woods," North Carolina Community College

The Duke School, Durham, NC

"The Art of Auditioning," Montgomery Community College

"Fables of Improv," Workshop Free Library of Philadelphia

Guest Artist: "The Law and Angels In America," Beasley School of Law Temple U.

Twelfth Night, Orsino, University of Virginia

Workshop "ERS: Making Theatre Without a Script" Primary Stages NYC

**Attendee:** "Celebration Barn Devising Intensive," South Paris, ME

"Frantic Assembly Devising Intensive," New York City, NY

#### SELECT PERFORMANCE WORK

RENT Mark/Roger US National Tour

Frost/Nixon Jim Reston Lyric Theater @ The Plaza (upcoming)

Rock Of AgesLonnyLyric Theater @ The PlazaMama MiaHarryLyric Theater @ The CivicALIEN8BrasfieldOklahoma Contemporary

Othello Othello Teatro IGA, GUATE
Silhouettes of Service A Soldier Tour (Ongoing)

An Enemy of the People Billing PlayMakers' REP CO., NC
Into The Woods Prince/Wolf PlayMakers' REP CO., NC
The Kritick (Staged Reading) The Stranger UNC PATP Project, NC
Assassins Leon Czolgosz PlayMakers' REP CO., NC

The 8: Reindeer Monologues Hollywood Society Hill Playhouse, PA
Sex, Drugs, Rock & Roll The Artist BCKSEET Productions, PA
Hung on a Planda Poputail.

The Singer Booking Feetings

Hung on a Blonde PonytailThe SingerPhilly Fringe FestivalPink Floyd's The WallPinkPrescott Park Arts, NH

#### **DIRECTING**

Clean Slate: A New Rock Musical Ignition Arts @ Lyric Theatre of Oklahoma\*\*

The Page: A Social Media Experiment BATAP @ Oklahoma Contemporary\*

Twilight: Los Angeles

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Killadelphia: A Musical Docudrama

The Complete History of America: ABRIDGED

PHLash: A Mob Story

Some Assemble Required: A Meta Musical

Raised In Captivity

The Eight: Reindeer Monologues

Angels in America: Millennium Approaches

Lake Street Extension

How To Succeed in Business....

Sexual Perversity in Chicago

Little Shop of Horrors Glengarry Glen Ross

**NEWPRINT** 

BATAP @ Oklahoma Contemporary\*
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OCU Physician Assistant Program
Boys' Latin of Philadelphia, PA\*
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Ignition Arts, PA\*\*
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Society Hill Playhouse, PA

Ignition Arts, PA

Emerson College, MA

Seacoast Repertory Theater

Ignition Arts, NH

Teatro IGA Guatemala Ignition Arts, Guatemala Ignition Arts, Guatemala\*\*

\*Devised Work \*\* Original Work

## **NEW WORK DEVELOPMENT**

- Production Manager/ Actor, *Ignition Arts' Incubator Reading Series & Residency*, Ignition Arts @ Lyric Theatre of Oklahoma (January-May 2019)
- Creator/Production Manager, 5<sup>th</sup> Short Play Festival by BA Devising Students, Oklahoma Contemporary (April 2019)
- Creator/Production Manager, 4<sup>th</sup> Short Play Festival by BA Devising Students, Oklahoma City's Museum of Art (October 2018)
- Technical Director, *I Am.*..by the BATAP Class of 2020 Sophomore Jury, Oklahoma Contemporary (April 2018)
- Performer/ Production Manager, *ALiEN8* Book by David Lee White, Music/Lyrics by Kate Brennan Ignition Arts @ Oklahoma Contemporary (February 2018)
- Creator/Production Manager, 3<sup>rd</sup> Short Play Festival Oklahoma City's Museum of Art (FEB 2018)

  2<sup>nd</sup> Short Play Festival Oklahoma City's Museum of Art (OCT 2017)

  1<sup>st</sup> Short Play Festival Oklahoma City's Museum of Art (APR2017)
- Director/Production Manager, What is Love & Secrets & Lies by BA Devising Students, Oklahoma City University (2016-17)
- Creator/ Project Manager, *Killadelphia: A Musical Docudrama* by Ars Gratia Artis, Boys' Latin of Philadelphia (2013)
- Production Manager, *ELFuego: A Holiday Musical* by Kate Brennan, Ignition Arts (2012)
- Creator/ Project Manager, *PHLash: A Mob Story* by Ars Gratia Artis, Boys' Latin of Philadelphia (2011)
- Commissioned/ Production Manager, *Losing the Shore* by Catherine Rush, Ignition Arts (2011)
- Project Manager/Album Musical Supervisor, *Some Assemble Required: A Meta Musical* by Kate Brennan, Ignition Arts (2010)
- Production Manager, New Works Festival Society Hill Playhouse (2007)
- Project Manager/ Director, *News Print* by Liz Blocker, Cantón Expositión Guatemala City, GUATE. (2004)

#### **COMPOSITIONS**

Creator, Silhouettes of Service, UNC Process Series (2016) www.silhouettesofservice.com Book/ Lyrics, Hung on a Blonde Ponytail BCKSEET/ Philly Fringe (2005)

#### **RECORDINGS**

Producing Engineer, Fair Play, (https://www.ignitionarts.org/podcasts) 2018-Present Creator/Host, Devising: an ORIGINal podcast, (wocu.online/devising) 2017-Present Creator/Producing Engineer, thank you 10, (wocu.online/thank-you-10) Seasons 3-5 Producing Engineer, Brennan Book Blog, (wocu.online /brennan-book-blog) 2016-17 Creator/Host, UNC Center for Dramatic Art's Podcast (thankyou10.org): Season 1 & 2 Narrator, Internal Medicine: A Doctor's Stories (audiable.com): 2014 Lyrics/Vocals, Hung on a Blonde Ponytail 2005

#### **SET DESIGN**

The Page: A Social Media Experiment Oklahoma Contemporary Oklahoma City, OK
The Eight: Reindeer Monologues Society Hill Playhouse Philadelphia, PA
The Zoo Story BCKSEET Productions Philadelphia, PA
Julius Caesar Adrienne Theater Mainstage Philadelphia, PA
Sexual Perversity In Chicago Seacoast Repertory Theater Portsmouth, NH

### FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & HONORS

OCU School of Theatre Development Grant August 2018 (Frantic Assembly Devising Intensive)
OCU Faculty Scholarship Committee Grant July 2017 (Celebration Barn Devising Intensive)
OCU Faculty Scholarship Committee Grant June 2017 (Elevator Repair Service Workshop)
OCU School of Theatre Development Grant June 2017 (Elevator Repair Service Workshop)
UNC Chapel Hill's 2016 Community Impact Award (Silhouettes of Service)
UNC Department of Dramatic Arts Research Grant, Fall 2015
David A. Hammond Medal for Excellence at UNC-Chapel Hill , Spring 2015
Excellence in Art, Music & Theatre Achievement Award, Lt. Governor PA, 2008
New Hampshire Best Actor Award, 2000

#### OUTREACH

Secured Ignition Arts a residency at Lyric Theatre of Oklahoma presenting the Incubator Series featuring readings of six new plays and a workshop performance (January-May 2018)

Procured a professional partnership between Oklahoma City University's BATAP Theatre and Performance program and the Oklahoma Contemporary (Fall 2018)

Secured Ignition Arts a year-long residency at the Oklahoma Contemporary to present *Silhouettes of Service* and the Incubator Residency (2017-18)

Created Ignition Arts' Outreach Initiative Program in 2005. This program partners local non-profit organization with thematic production raising funds and awareness for the causes of the following organizations:

American Red Cross Tsunami Relief, Philadelphia Zoo, The Parkinson's Council, Action AIDS, The Philadelphia Unemployment Project, Children Hospital of Philadelphia Diabetes Center, Joseph J. Peters Institute, The Mazzoni Center, Musicians on Call, and the Philadelphia SPCA

Secured Ignition Arts a five year residency at Society Hill Playhouse in Philadelphia (2005-10)

#### RESEARCH/ TEACHING INTERESTS

Currently developing a Do-It-yourself Documentary Theatre Program and Podcasts for high schools, local communities, and professional theatres. In the spirit of theatre for social change this program intends to create a blueprint for organizations to engage in difficult topics through verbatim theatre and spoken word. The solo docudrama *Silhouettes of Service* (silhouettesofservice.com) and the WOCU Podcast Channel (wocu.online) are pilot programs of this research development.

**Additional Teaching Interests:** Devising, Scene Study, Directing, Arts Administration, Community Outreach and Development, Solo performance, Broadcast/Podcast, New Work Development

## **SPECIAL SKILLS**

Project Management, Public Speaking, Event Planning, Graphic Design, Web Design, Basic Spanish/ ASL, Live Recording/ Editing, Telecommunications

## **REFERENCES**

# Julia Gibson\*

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UNC Chapel Hill's Professional Actor Training Program
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