

**SIOUXSIE EASTER**  
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**ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT:**

Wells College, Aurora, NY	Professor of Theatre Associate Professor Assistant Professor Visiting Assistant Professor  Adjunct Instructor	2018- present 2011-2018 2007-2011 2005-2007, 2003-2004 Spring 2001
Lee Strasberg Film and Theatre Institute, New York City, NY	Guest Teacher <i>Working With the Director</i>	Fall 2018
Advanced Studies in England, Bath, England	Professor of Theatre <i>Acting, British Theatre History, Restoration Comedy, Devising</i>	Summers 2014-2016

**EDUCATION:**

M.F.A. Interdisciplinary Arts <i>Directing &amp; Devised Theatre</i>	Goddard College, VT	2007
M.Ed. Drama (4.0 GPA)	Univ. of North Carolina Greensboro, NC	1998
B.A. Speech, minor in Theatre, <i>cum laude</i>	Univ. of Montevallo, AL	1992

**TRAINING:**

Devising and Ensemble Acting/Directing	Sojourn Theatre, Portland, OR Summer Institute, Michael Rohd	2008
Acting, Voice, Improvisation, Mask	Icarus Theatre Ensemble, Ithaca, NY Krista Scott, Dave Dannenfelser, Kevin Kittle, Joe Giardina, Norm Johnson	2001-2008
Playback Theatre	Goddard College, Plainfield, VT Members of Playback NYC	2005, 2006

**TEACHING, WELLS COLLEGE:**

**Courses I created:**

Acting Shakespeare  
Acting Styles  
Advanced Acting: Independent Study  
Advanced Directing: Independent Study  
Arts in Education  
Creating Solo Performance  
Devised Theatre  
Dramaturgy: Independent Study  
Improvisational Theatre  
Monologues and Audition Techniques  
Producing Theatre: Independent Study  
Script Analysis: Independent Study

**Other courses currently teaching:**

Arts Management  
Acting One  
Acting Two  
Introduction to the Performing Arts  
London Theatre: intensive off-campus study  
Marginalized Voices: Women Playwrights  
Methods of Directing  
Rehearsal and Performance/Beginning and Advanced  
Senior Seminar: Theatre, Dance, and Music  
Senior Thesis: Theatre and Dance  
Stage Management  
Western Theatre History

**SELECTED INVITED WORKSHOPS, CLASSES AND LECTURES:****Private Coach**

*Monologue and Audition Work* 2001-present

**Course Instructor**

<i>Gardening</i>	Wells College, Aurora, NY	2016
<i>Public Speaking</i>	BOCES Adult Education, Ithaca, NY	2002
<i>Public Speaking</i>	Cornell University Women in Engineering, Ithaca, NY	2002
<i>Acting</i>	BOCES Adult Education, Ithaca, NY	2000
<i>Acting</i>	Cornell University <i>Teatrotaller</i> , Latinx Theatre Group	2000
<i>Creative Drama</i>	After School Programs, Ithaca, NY	1999-2003
	Fall Creek Elementary	
	Immaculate Conception	
	Community School of Music and Arts	
	Greater Ithaca Activities Center	

**Guest Lecturer**

<i>Theatre and Spirituality</i>	Southern Cayuga Wider Parish, Aurora, NY	2019
<i>Material Culture and Museums</i>	Wells College, Aurora, NY	2018
<i>Introduction to Museum Studies</i>	Wells College, Aurora, NY	2016
<i>Improvisation</i>	Wells Reunion College, Aurora, NY	2011
<i>The Anthropological Experience: Theatre &amp; Culture</i>	Wells College Off Campus Study, Hawaii	2010, 2008
<i>Leadership in Shakespeare</i>	Point Park University, Pittsburgh, PA	2007

**Teaching Artist**

Hangar Theatre, Ithaca, NY	1999-2001
The Little Theatre of Winston-Salem, NC	1997
Seattle Children's Theatre, WA	1997
Georgia Shakespeare Festival, Atlanta, GA	1996-1997

**Workshops**

<i>Speaking Shakespeare</i>	Tyburn Academy, Auburn, NY	2016
<i>Styles of Comedy</i>	Odyssey of the Mind, Union Springs, NY	2012
<i>Shakespeare Sonnets, Playwriting, Scene Work</i>	Kitchen Theatre Company, Ithaca, NY	2002
<i>Subtext in Othello</i>	Ithaca High School, Ithaca, NY	2002
<i>Creative Drama</i>	Caroline Elementary and Ithaca Montessori	2002
	Cornell Theatre Department School Group Tours	
	Ithaca, NY	
<i>Experiencing Fine Art Through Drama</i>	Johnson Museum of Art, Cornell University	2001
	Ithaca, NY	

**DIRECTING:****International**

<i>My Brave Face</i>	The Rondo Theatre, Bath, UK	2019
<i>Lobster Tale</i> (premiere)	Town Hall Arts, Trowbridge, UK	2019
<i>My Brave Face</i> (premiere)	The Rondo Theatre, Bath, UK	2018

**Regional**

<i>We Will Not Be Silent</i>	Morgan Opera House, Aurora, NY	2019
<i>Incendiary Agents</i> (premiere)	Morgan Opera House, Aurora, NY	2018
<i>Gaps</i> (staged reading, premiere)	IATI, Manhattan, NY	2018
<i>The Final Word</i> (staged reading, premiere)	Bad Dog! Productions, Ithaca, NY	2017
<i>Epimythium</i> (staged reading, premiere)	IATI, Manhattan, NY	2017
<i>Gargoyles</i> (staged reading)	IATI, Manhattan NY	2016
<i>Stella Dreams of Trains</i> (premiere)	Morgan Opera House, Aurora, NY	2016
<i>The Body of Eva Peron</i> (premiere)	Morgan Opera House, Aurora, NY	2013
<i>Clean Slate</i> (premiere)	Carnival Girls Productions, Manhattan, NY	2013
<i>Lizzie Borden Took an Axe</i>	Morgan Opera House, Aurora, NY	2011
<i>Trust</i> (premiere)	Morgan Opera House, Aurora, NY	2010
<i>Trog and Clay</i> (premiere)	Morgan Opera House, Aurora, NY	2009
<i>3am</i> (staged reading, premiere)	Icarus Theatre Ensemble, Ithaca, NY	2008
<i>Gargoyles</i> (devised, directed, premiere)	Icarus Theatre Ensemble, Ithaca, NY	2007
<i>Twelfth Night</i> (adapted and directed)	Kitchen Theatre Co., Ithaca, NY	2002
<i>A Stone That Sings</i>	Kitchen Theatre Co., Ithaca, NY	2001
<i>The Comedy of Errors</i> (adapted, directed, tour)	Kitchen Theatre Co., Ithaca, NY	2001
<i>The Community Project</i> (devised, directed)	Kitchen Theatre Co., Ithaca, NY	2001
<i>the Portrait the wind the chair</i>	Kitchen Theatre Co., Ithaca, NY	2000
<i>Mother Hicks</i>	Kitchen Theatre Co., Ithaca, NY	1999

**Wells College**

<i>Miss Valentine</i>	Wells College	2020
<i>The Last Five Years</i>	Wells College	2019
<i>Eurydice</i>	Wells College	2018
<i>Stop Kiss</i>	Wells College	2018
<i>Rumors</i>	Wells College	2017
<i>Urinetown, the Musical</i>	Wells College	2016
<i>Kindertransport</i> (staged reading)	Wells College	2016
<i>An Appeal to the Woman of the House</i>	Wells College	2016
<i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i>	Wells College	2015
<i>Sherlock Holmes and the Adventure Of the Suicide Club</i>	Wells College	2014
<i>The Servant of Two Masters</i>	Wells College	2013
<i>Thirst</i> (staged reading)	Wells College	2013
<i>Elephant's Graveyard</i>	Wells College	2012
<i>Our Beds are Crowded</i>	Wells College	2010
<i>The Legend of Sleepy Hollow</i>	Wells College	2010
<i>The Zoo Story</i>	Wells College	2010
<i>Pygmalion</i>	Wells College	2009
<i>The Maids</i>	Wells College	2009
<i>Twelfth Night</i>	Wells College	2007
<i>Blithe Spirit</i>	Wells College	2006
<i>A Piece of My Heart</i>	Wells College	2005
<i>Story Theatre/More from Story Theatre</i>	Wells College	2005
<i>Anton in Show Business</i>	Wells College	2003

**DIRECTING (continued):****Community**

<i>Of Mice and Men</i>	Auburn Players, Auburn, NY	2017
<i>Girl Culture</i> (dramatized and directed)	Johnson Museum of Art, Ithaca, NY	2004
<i>Bullying</i> (directed and devised, premiere)	Boynton Middle School, Ithaca, NY	2001

**ACTING (selected):**

Wells College, Aurora, NY		
<i>An Appeal to the Woman of the House</i>	Ruth	2016
<i>The Vagina Monologues</i>	The Flood	2010
The Readers' Theatre of Ithaca, Ithaca, NY		
<i>Sight Unseen</i>	Grete	2012
Theatre Incognita, Ithaca, NY		
<i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i>	Hermia	2011
Morgan Opera House, Aurora, NY		
<i>We're No Angels... We're Imps</i> (premiere)	Answering Machine	2010
<i>How Do I Love Thee?</i> (premiere)	Elizabeth Barrett-Browning	2009
Johnson Museum of Art, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY		
<i>Vita and Virginia</i>	Vita	2009
Icarus Theatre Ensemble, Ithaca, NY		
<i>Gargoyles</i> (2 productions, premiere)	Maggie/Helena	2007
<i>The Mineola Twins</i>	Jim/Sarah	2004
<i>Book of Days</i>	Ruth Hoch	2003
<i>When Words Fail ...</i>	A Pretty Woman/Aunt Geraldine	2002
<i>The American Dream</i>	Grandma (understudy)	2002
<i>The Legend of Sleepy Hollow</i>	Katrina/Ensemble	2001
<i>Pullman Car Hiawatha</i>	Twelve O'clock/Young Child	2001
Kitchen Theatre Company, Ithaca, NY		
<i>Almost Baby</i>	Wife	2001
<i>Six Apparitions of Lenin Appear on the Piano</i>	Tatiana Yakuvleva	2001
<i>Headstrong</i> (premiere)	Editor	2000
<i>A December Suite</i>	Philemena Fitzenstarts	1999, 2000
Firehouse Theatre, Ithaca, NY		
<i>This is Our Youth</i>	Jessica (understudy- performed)	2001
<i>Popcorn</i>	Scout	2000
<i>Sexual Perversity in Chicago</i>	Deborah	1999
<i>The Nerd</i>	Tansy	1999
Barn Dinner Theatre, Greensboro, NC		
<i>The Fantasticks</i>	The Mute	1998
<i>Father of the Bride</i>	Kay Banks	1998
The Little Theatre of Winston-Salem, Winston-Salem, NC		
<i>A Piece of My Heart</i>	Whitney	1997
Actor's Express, Atlanta, GA		
<i>Approaching Lavendar</i>	Abigail	1996

**PERFORMANCE INSTALLATION (Director, Deviser, Visual Artist: photography, installation):**

<i>Positively Devised</i>	Wells College Zabriskie Hall, Aurora, NY	2015
<i>Enough</i>	Wells College Zabriskie Hall, Aurora, NY	2015
<i>Thirst</i>	Wells College Long Library, Aurora, NY	2013
<i>Wide Angle</i>	Wells College String Room Gallery, Aurora, NY	2012
<i>Sub rosa</i>	Wells College String Room Gallery, Aurora, NY	2011
<i>Personal Mythology</i>	Wells College String Room Gallery, Aurora, NY	2010
<i>Lost and Found</i>	Wells College String Room Gallery, Aurora, NY	2009
<i>Dreams</i>	Goddard College Student Art Show, Plainfield, VT	2006
<i>Water Haiku</i>	Art on the Water Festival Lockwood, NY	2006
<i>The Whimsical Dreams of August</i>	Avenue Art Gallery Endicott, NY	2006
<i>Dream House</i>	Paul Jones House Aurora, NY	2005

**CONFERENCES:**

Pre-conference Coordinator, Theatre as a Liberal Art Focus Group Association for Theatre in Higher Education (ATHE) Boston, MA		2018
Panel Coordinator, Presenter <i>Revolutionizing Your Theatre Season</i> ATHE, Boston, MA		2018
Presenter ATHE, Chicago, IL	<i>Positive Devising</i>	2016
Workshop Leader, NY State Theatre Educators Association Ithaca, NY	<i>Devised Theatre for the Classroom</i>	2015
Presenter ATHE, Montreal, Canada	<i>Mapping Memories: Devising the Past</i>	2015
Presenter Women in the Arts, St Louis, MO	<i>Interdisciplinary Performance Installation: Encouraging Artistic Collaboration in Academia</i>	2014
Presenter ATHE, Orlando, FL	<i>Teaching it "All" Creating and Maintaining the Curriculum</i>	2013
Attendee ATHE Chicago, IL and New York, NY		2011, 2009, 2006
Attendee LEAD, Washington, DC	Leadership Exchange in Arts and Disability	2002

**SERVICE, WELLS COLLEGE**

Division Chair	Arts and Humanities	2020-present
Member	COVID-19 Response Team	2020-present
Member	Review Committee	2017-2019
Member	President's Appointed Committee on Diversity, Inclusion, and Intercultural Excellence	2015-2018
Major Chair	Performing Arts/Theatre, Dance, and Music	2016-2019, 2008-2012
Faculty Advisor	Student Drama Club	2014-present
Member	Advisory Committee	2017-2018
Member	Evaluation Committee	2014-2016
Division Chair	Arts Division	2013-2014
Member	Curriculum Committee	2013-2014
Member	Arts & Lecture Committee	2004-2013
Member	Educational Policy Committee	2010-2013
Chair	Academic Standing and Advising Committee	2009-2010, 2011-2012
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Member	Strategic Planning Subcommittee for Internships and Experiential Learning	2010
Chair	Arts & Lecture Committee	2005-2007
Speaker	Faculty Club	2006
Advisor	Senior Thesis Productions	ongoing
Coordinator	Theatre Minor, Front of House, Department Budgets	ongoing
Member	Multiple Search Committees	ongoing

**SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND FIELD:**

Board Member	Walking on Water Productions, Ithaca, NY	2017-present
Consultant	Morgan Opera House, G. Peter Playwriting Competition	2009-present
Board Member	Theatre Association of New York State	2017-2019
Academic Board Member	Advanced Studies in England, Bath, UK	2009-2018
Article Reviewer	Council on Undergraduate Research- SPUR	2017
Script Reading Committee	The Readers' Theatre of Ithaca	2013
Producer/Director	Aurora Free Library, Aurora Stage Partnership, Ithaca, NY	2007-2009
Consultant	The Aurora Inn 175 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration	2008
Focus Group	Community School of Music and Arts, Ithaca, NY	2002
Board Member	Kitchen Theatre Company, Ithaca, NY Youth and Family Programming	2001-2003
Consultant and Trainer	Community Arts Partnership, Ithaca, NY	2001-2003
Youth Mentor	The Elizabeth A. Clune Montessori School, Ithaca, NY	2001
Youth Mentor	The Learning Web, Ithaca, NY	2000-2002
Judge	Hangar Theatre Next Stage Playwriting Competition	1999-2000

**ADMINISTRATIVE/RELATED EXPERIENCE (selected):**

Founding Member, Educator, Actor, Staff	Icarus Theatre Ensemble Ithaca, NY	2001-2008
Director of Audience Services, Play Selection Committee	Cornell University Schwartz Center for the Performing Arts, Ithaca, NY	2001-2003, Fall 2005
Associate Producer, Artistic Director of Youth and Family Programming	Kitchen Theatre Company, Ithaca, NY	1999-2001
Education Outreach Assistant	AIDSWork of Tompkins County, Ithaca, NY	2001

**AWARDS:**

Office of Student Life Award in Education	Wells College	2011
Excellence in Academic Advising	Wells College	2007

**Outstanding Direction**

<i>Sherlock Holmes and the Adventure of the Suicide Club</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2014
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**Excellence in Directing**

<i>Eurydice</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2018
<i>Rumors</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2017
<i>Of Mice and Men</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2017
<i>The Servant of Two Masters</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2013
<i>The Maids</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2009
<i>Twelfth Night</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2007
<i>Blithe Spirit</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2006
<i>A Piece of My Heart</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2005
<i>Stories Told</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2005
<i>Anton in Show Business</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2004

**Meritorious Achievement in Directing**

<i>Miss Valentine</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2020
<i>Elephant's Graveyard</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2012
<i>Our Beds are Crowded</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2011
<i>The Legend of Sleepy Hollow</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2010

**Meritorious Achievement in Fight Choreography**

<i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i>	Theatre Association of New York State	2015
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**GRANTS:**

*Endeavor Foundation*- \$5,000- Producing and Directing new play commissioned through the Farm Theatre College Collaboration project, Aurora, NY 2020- sole grant writer

*Endeavor Foundation*- \$2,000- Directing *Lobster Tale* (2019), Town Hall Arts, script development and direction  
Trowbridge, UK, 2018- sole grant writer

*Association for Theatre in Higher Education*- \$450- Theatre as a Liberal Art Focus Group  
Pre-Conference  
Boston, MA, 2018- sole grant writer

*Endeavor Foundation*- \$3,500- Directing *My Brave Face* (2018), Rondo Theatre, development of new work with Butterfly Psyche Theatre (2018)  
Bath, UK, 2017- sole grant writer

*Anonymous Foundation*- \$10,000- Facility Improvements to the Theatre and Dance Department  
Wells College, Aurora, NY, 2017- grant narrative

*Saltonstall Foundation*- \$500- Youth and Family Programming, Kitchen Theatre Company  
Aurora, NY, 2001- sole grant writer

**AFFILIATIONS:**

Association for Theatre in Higher Education  
 Stage Directors and Choreographers Society- Associate Member  
 Theatre Association of New York State  
 Theatre Communications Group