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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

2018– Present **Theatre on Purpose Executive Artistic Director**

A 501c3 Organization that begins with the premise that educational theatre is a calling with the potential to transform lives.

 **Project Speak UP!** Suicide Prevention Program

 Director and Project Coordinator

2010 – Present **Santa Margarita Catholic High School**

 Artistic Director Talon Academy of Performing Arts Conservatory

 *(See Directing Resume for full list of productions)*

Instructor: Beginning – Advanced Theatre, IB, College Mentorship

 Thespian Troupe 5524 Director

California State Thespian Festival Board Member

Playworks Coordinator for emerging young playwrights

2017 – 2018 **Cuesta College Community Programs**:

* College for Kids Summer Program Instructor – Theatre on Purpose
* The Art of Remembering – Memoir Workshop Facilitator

2017 – Present **Teaching Artist**: **International Thespian Festival**

 Devised Theatre Workshop Facilitator

 Drama Teacher’s Mentor Workshop Facilitator

2007– 2010 **Rosary High School** ***Department Chair Performing Arts***

Responsible for all aspects of performing arts programs at this Catholic high school in Fullerton, California

* + Developed The Royal Players a *Theatre on Purpose*

 Outreach using the arts to promote Catholic social teaching

* + Oversaw $11,000 renovation and installation of theatre equipment in Performing Arts Classroom
* Co-created with Campus Ministry and Counseling The Magdalene Circle a bereavement support group for students who have lost parents or siblings

 **Purple Sage Arts Blog**

* Memoir, Art of Remembering: Journaling/Grief Workshop
* Aria: A Sister’s Journey With AIDS Memoir

2005 – 2009 **North Orange County Community College Older Adult Program** ***Instructor***

* + Facilitated a personal journal writing classes for older adults
	+ Established “In Their Own Words” Readings
	+ Created a blog for students
	+ Edited a 200 page high quality memoir written by an eighty-year-old participant

2005– 2006 **Muckenthaler Cultural Center** ***Director of Educational Theatre***

 Responsible for all aspects of educational theatre program at this Fullerton based cultural center and museum.

* Established the Muckenthaler Repertory Theatre Company
* Oversaw a $100,000 renovation of the Muckenthaler Amphitheatre
* Produced and directed two seasons of Theatre

1988 – 2004 **Tri-School Theatre** ***Founder and Artistic Executive Director***

 Created and developed this four-year award-winning theatre arts training program in acting and technical theatre for Servite, Cornelia Connelly, and Rosary High Schools in Orange County. Responsibilities included daily operations, administration, artistic direction, teaching, producing, directing, fundraising, curriculum development, financial management, development and implementation of philosophy, managerial infrastructure, policies, and procedures.

* Managed program budget of $250,000
* Established Beginning through Advanced Conservatory Program in Acting, Musical Theatre, and Technical Theatre
* Supervised twelve part-time faculty and staff
* Produced and Directed two main stage productions annually
* Tri-School Theatre was named 1999 Outstanding Theatre Program by the Educational Theatre Association
* Tri-School was recognized by the Music and Art Commendation for Youth Awards nine times in fifteen years for outstanding musical productions.
* University of Notre Dame Great Teacher Award 1996
* Appointed California State Advocate for the Arts
* Educational Theatre Association 1996 - 1999

1988 – Present **Theatre** **Director** (Please refer to Directing Resume)

1988 – Present **Teacher/Coach**

 Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced Levels of Acting; Dramatic Analysis, Playwriting, Musical Theatre, Directing, Cabaret, Mentorship/coaching to prepare students for college auditions

* Developed UC approved year and semester-long classes
* Private Coaching and Mentorship resulting in students admitted to top theatre programs at NYU, UCLA, USC, DePaul, University of Michigan, and Chapman University

1991–1993 **Cornelia Connelly School**  ***Department Chair Fine Arts***

 Responsibilities included curriculum development; management of departmental budget

* Created Fine Arts Departmental Handbook

1989 – 1999 **International Thespian Honor Society** ***Troupe 4566 Sponsor***

* Developed leadership opportunities for students; chaperoned state and international festivals; coached students for various competitions and scholarship auditions
* Students performed main stage at the International Thespian Festival in 1999 and 2003
* Students awarded college scholarships
* Student winners performed main stage in various Individual Events
1. – 1999 **California State Thespian Board *Three- year term***
* Created and administered California State Ten Minute Playworks ProjectStudent playwrights submitted their work for critique by professionals. Selected original plays were given staged readings at the California State Thespian Festival

1985 – 1987 **Luskey Communication Services**

 Produced corporate training video programs

* Co-developed Luskey Yellow Pages Selling Systems an industry-wide sales training video series
* Gold Book Award for Innovation Association of North American Directory Publishers 1987

**AWARDS/PUBLICATIONS/PRESENTIONS**

**Theatre on Purpose Blog** [**www.theatreonpurpose.blogspot.org**](http://www.theatreonpurpose.blogspot.org)

**Aria: A Sister’s Journey with AIDS**

**OC Parenting Magazine** Top 25 Teachers in Orange County 2015

**Momentum Magazine** Sept. 2008 Article ***Oral******History Storytelling in Schools***

**National Catholic Educational Association Convention** 2008 Presenter ***Oral History Storytelling In Schools***

**Western Catholic Education Association** Spokesperson ***Catholic Identity* DVD *Theatre on Purpose***

**St. Martin de Porres** Wings Speaker ***It Only Takes One Generation to Forget***

**Servite Credo Award 2004** Tri-School Theatre Program

**MACY Award** Best High School Musical 1992, 1994,1996,1997, 1998, 2004, 2014, 2022

**Cappies** Mentor

* Helped to establish Cappies Program in its inaugural year
* Facilitated Relations between the OC Register and Cappies to publish student written reviews

**California Association of Independent Schools** Presenter 1990 and 1991 on the value of arts in education

 **Pearl Advocacy Program** Presenter nation-wide 1997 - 1999

 **University of Notre Dame** Great Teacher Award 1996

**EDUCATION**

Master of Pastoral Counseling Trinity College of Graduate Studies 2002

Bachelor of Fine Arts Drama University of Southern California 1981

NCBF Certificate National Association of Bereavement Facilitators 1998

South Coast Repertory Playwriting

Private Vocal Instruction Eric Futterer

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS**

Educational Theatre Association

California State Thespian Organization

International Thespian Society – Sponsor and Honorary Member

International School Theatre Association ISTA

International Baccalaureate – Certified Trained IB Theatre Instructor

California Educational Theatre Association CETA

Theatre Communication Group

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**Main Stage Producing and Directing Resume**

2022 The Secret Garden Santa Margarita

 *MACY Award Best Musical*

2021 The FantasticksSanta Margarita

2021 You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown Open Air Production Santa Margarita

2020 All the World’s A Stage Open Air Production Santa Margarita

2020 It’s a Wonderful Life Virtual Radio Show Santa Margarita

2020 Into the Woods (Cancelation due to Covid-19 Pandemic) Santa Margarita

2019 Voices of Courage – An original devised production Santa Margarita

2019 Phantom Santa Margarita

 *Spirit of the MACY Award*

2018 David and Lisa Santa Margarita

2018 Speak Up! Santa Margarita

 *2nd Place* *Southern California Thespian Play Festival*

2018 West Side Story Santa Margarita

2017 Godspell Santa Margarita

 *OC Cappies Best Musical*

2017 Semicolon Santa Margarita

 *International Thespian Festival*

2017 Fiddler on the Roof Santa Margarita

 *MACY Literature to Life Award*

2016 Our Town Santa Margarita

2016 Guys & Dolls Santa Margarita

 *MACY Spotlight Award*

2015 Museum Santa Margarita

2015 Hello, Dolly! Santa Margarita

 *Spirit of the MACY Award*

2014 The Little Prince Santa Margarita

2014 Pippin  Santa Margarita

 *MACY Award Best Musical*

2013 The Crucible Santa Margarita

2013 Beauty and the Beast MACY Santa Margarita

 *MACY Magical Journey Award*

2012 The Miracle Worker Santa Margarita

 *California State Thespian Chapter Select*

2012 Les Miserables High School Edition Santa Margarita

 *MACY Literature to Life Award*

2011 The Diary of Anne FrankSanta Margarita

2011 Children of Eden Santa Margarita

2010 Dead Man Walking Santa Margarita

2010 Festival of the Arts Just Go to the Movies Rosary High School

2010 Animal Farm Rosary High School

2009 A Christmas Celebration Rosary High School

 Coordinator Christmas Collage Diocese of Orange

2009 Festival of the Arts A Grand Night for Singing Rosary High School

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2009 I Never Saw Another Butterfly Rosary High School

*Theatre On Purpose* *Toured Diocese of Orange*

2008 A Christmas Carol Radio Show Rosary High School

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2008 Festival of the Arts Music Under the Stars Rosary High School

2005 Museum St. Margaret’s Episcopal School

**TRI-SCHOOL THEATRE – MAIN STAGE**

2004 The King and I *Macy Award Best Musical* , *Cappies Finalist Best Musical*

 2003 How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying

1. The Matchmaker
2. Let Your Life Sing *Original Musical Revue*
3. Godspell  *Macy Childress Award*
4. The Pajama Game  *Spirit of the Macy Award*

1999 Guys & Dolls

1. Yearbook The High School Musical

 *Original musical selected and performed on Main Stage of International Thespian Festival*

1. The Lottery *Performed International Thespian Festival Play Marathon*

1998 Children of Eden *Macy Nonpareil Award*

1. The Secret Garden  *Macy Award Best Musical*
2. Fiddler on the Roof *Macy Award Best Musical*
3. I Am *Original one act performed International Thespian Festival Play Marathon*
4. A Midsummer Night’s Dream
5. Carousel  *Macy Teatro Dell’arte Award*
6. Into the Woods  *Macy Award Best Musical*
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**THEATRE ON PURPOSE/ ORIGINAL WORKS/ORAL HISTORY**

2019 Voices of Courage *Theatre on Purpose* Devised Production

2018 Speak Up!

2017 Semicolon

2010 The Desperate Ones *Theatre on Purpose* Collage Homelessness Toured Diocese of Orange

2009 Stand Up *Theatre on Purpose* Collage on Racism and Immigration

2008 Royal Roots – Oral History Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange and Rosary High School

2007 Voices that Matter Oral History Servite Provincial

1. Just War *Theatre on Purpose* Adaptation of Mark Twain’s The War Prayer

2004 Christ’s Passion Our Passion *Theatre on Purpose* Lenten Readers Theatre Piece on grief and loss

1997 Taking Chances Original Staged Reading

1. Seeds of Tolerance *Theatre on Purpose* Collage on Hate Crimes Touring Piece

**COMMUNITY THEATRE**

2006 Our Town Muckenthaler Repertory Theatre Company

2004 The Art of Remembering

1996 Fifth of July Vanguard Theatre Ensemble *LA Times Critic’s Choice*

**CABARET**

It’s a Wonderful Life Original One Woman Show - Muckenthaler Cultural Center

On My Way to You Constance Cairo and Christian Winn - Enchanted Evening Productions

When Liberace Winks at Me Cindy Warden Gardenia Room Hollywood

Pieces of My Heart Cindy Warden Cinegrill Hollywood

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**VOICE OVER**

2004 Spokesperson T.H.I.N.K. Together Promo DVD

2004 Spokesperson Rosary High School Recruitment DVD

1985 University of Southern California Spokesperson