

ARETTA BAUMGARTNER:
PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS
representative list 2025

- Appalachian State University Teachers' Intensive 2017 (workshop leader, 2-day intensive): The Power of Puppetry
- Ashland University Department of Theatre Inaugural Theatre Gala 2010: Keynote Presentation: "Work in Progress"
- Association for Supervision & Curriculum Development National Conference 2005: Bring Literature to Life & Empower Passion in Preschools (Books in Action drama literacy program, Cincinnati Public Schools)
- Association of Theatre in Higher Education/Association of Theatre Movement Educators National Conference 2016: "Who's Animating Whom? The Transformative Power of Puppets in Production" (with Lewis Magruder, Associate Professor of Theater, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio)
- Borderlands Conference (National Underground Railroad Freedom Center) 2006: Theatre as Education/Community Building for Underground Railroad: "WANTED: Freedom, Dead or Alive" (with Dr. Daryl Harris)
- Children's Healthcare of Atlanta: Trainer in puppetry and object empathy for chaplains, nurses, residents/fellows (2012-2023)
- Cincinnati Public Schools Early Childhood Education In-Service 2004: Incorporating Drama into the Preschool Curriculum
- Council of Media Organizations Georgia State Conference 2013: Puppetry as Storytelling
- Creative Mornings Atlanta 2014: Childhood: Puppetry and the Creative Power of Play
- Creative Problem-Solving Institute 2012: Exploring the Creative Power of Puppetry
- Dragon Con Puppetry Track 2014-2025 (Attending Professional/Guest Artist for the nation's largest multi-genre pop culture convention)
- Educational Theatre Association International Thespian Festivals 2009, 2010, 2012-2025: adjudicator and guest artist
- Educational Theatre Association National Conferences: The Power of Puppet Play; 2018: Puppetry Playshop for Teachers & Directors and Learn & Create Lab: Collaborative Puppetry, 2016
- Georgia Theatre Educators Conference 2019: Presenter Puppetry 101 and Building Puppets/Building Ensemble
- Greater Cincinnati Alliance for Arts Education (co-sponsor, Fine Arts Fund) 2010: Arts Integration Specialist, theatre arts
- Horizon Theatre (Atlanta): Master Class presenter, puppetry
- International Puppet Fringe Festival 2021: Puppetry 101
- International Thespian Society (c/o Educational Theatre Association): workshops, PDIs, adjudications and keynotes (in-person and/or virtual) for state festivals and conferences in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Nevada, New Jersey, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia and Washington

- Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival Region V (KCACTF) 2017: workshop presenter (Puppetry 101), panelist (Women in Design, Tech & Management), expo responder (Allied Arts/Poster & Publicity), Irene Ryan Finals adjudicator
- Lincoln's Era: The Role of Religion in the Underground Railroad (National Underground Railroad Freedom Ctr) 2008: "WANTED: Freedom, Dead or Alive" (with Dr. Daryl Harris)
- Mississippi Theatre Association Teacher's Workshop 2019: Puppetry Master Class presenter
- Mississippi Whole Schools Summer Institute 2024: national guest artist, track presenter, keynote address
- National Capital Puppetry Guild Virtual Festival 2020 & 2021: Puppetry 101, Warm-ups & Theatre Games for Puppeteers
- Passions: Promises and Perils (Graduate Dept. of Communication, U. of Massachusetts Amherst) 2009: "WANTED: Freedom, Dead or Alive" (with Dr. Daryl Harris)
- Puppet Power 2020: presenter, Creating Art with Challenging Themes and Puppet POW! For Puppet Power
- Puppeteers of American Regional and National Conferences 1997 - present: dozens of presentations on various puppetry topics (complete list available upon request—invited presenter at over 30 events)
- Puppetry in Education and Therapy Professional Days for Teaching Artists and Puppeteers (Puppeteers of America) 2013, 2015, 2017, 2019
- Southeastern Theatre Conference National Conference ("SETC") 2016: Teachers Institute leader, workshop presenter
- SOS Art 2010: WANTED: Freedom, Dead or Alive (with Dr. Daryl Harris)
- Texas Theatre Educators' Conference 2020 (Jan. 30 – Feb. 1, 2020): Building puppets / Building Ensemble, Do the "Q"! (a puppetry workshop), Playing Games: Creative Dramatics, Puppetry Playshop for Teachers & Directors
- Theatre for Young Audiences National Festival & Conference 2019: Breakout Session Presenter Puppetry Playshop
- University master classes, lectures, and/or residencies: Appalachian State Univ (NC), Carthage College (WI), Clayton State Univ (GA), Denison Univ (OH), Fresno State Univ (CA), Idaho State Univ (ID), Miami Univ (OH), Northeast State Community College (TN), Northern Kentucky Univ (KY), Samford Univ (AL), Univ of Victoria (B.C.), Western Kentucky Univ (KY)
- United States Institute of Theatre Technology ("USITT") National Conference 2016: presenter, Becoming the Puppetmaster: Unexpected Journeys to Puppetland
- Woodruff Arts Center Educator Conference/Convening: presenter of puppetry, musical stories through shadow puppetry, arts integration through puppetry— 2016, 2019, 2022, 2023