

Benjamin Curns

Theatre Director

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Actors Equity Association

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Society of American Fight Directors

Directing Credits (selected)

<i>Macbeth</i>	William Shakespeare	Starling Shakespeare Company
<i>Civil</i>	Rob Matsushita	Southern Connecticut State University
<i>Richard III</i>	William Shakespeare	Hoosier Shakespeare Festival
<i>Antigone</i>	Sophocles	Southern Connecticut State University
<i>An Enemy of the People</i>	Henrik Ibsen	Southern Connecticut State University
<i>Complete Works...Abridged</i>	Long, Singer, Winfield	Southern Connecticut State University
<i>Coriolanus</i>	William Shakespeare	Shakespeare Academy @ Stratford
<i>Red Velvet</i>	Lolita Chakrabarti	Southern Connecticut State University
<i>Macbeth</i> (National Tour)	William Shakespeare	American Shakespeare Center
<i>Romeo & Juliet</i> (National Tour)	William Shakespeare	American Shakespeare Center
<i>King Lear</i> (Staged Reading)	William Shakespeare	PlayMakers Repertory Company
<i>Julius Caesar</i> (National Tour)	William Shakespeare	American Shakespeare Center
<i>Much Ado About Nothing</i> (National Tour)	William Shakespeare	American Shakespeare Center
<i>The Boy</i>	Daniel Kennedy	Philadelphia Fringe Festival
<i>Shakespeare on Ice</i>	Paul Menzer	Blackfriars Conference
<i>'Diggers</i>	Michael Burdick	Blackfriars Conference
<i>Arsenic & Old Lace</i>	Joseph Kesselring	Wohlfahrt Haus Dinner Theatre

Assistant Directing

<i>Two Noble Kinsmen</i>	William Shakespeare	Mary Baldwin University/Linda Bisessti
<i>Love's Labour's Lost</i>	William Shakespeare	American Shakespeare Center/Nick Hutchison
<i>Importance of Being Earnest</i>	Oscar Wilde	American Shakespeare Center/Nick Hutchison
<i>Macbeth</i>	William Shakespeare	American Shakespeare Center/David Doersh
<i>Merry Wives of Windsor</i>	William Shakespeare	American Shakespeare Center, Fred Nelson

Youth/Academic Productions (selected)

<i>The Winter's Tale</i>	William Shakespeare	ACES Educational Center for the Arts
<i>The Good Doctor</i>	Neil Simon	ACES Educational Center for the Arts
<i>Henry V</i>	William Shakespeare	Elm Shakespeare Teen Troupe
<i>As You Like It</i>	William Shakespeare	Elm Shakespeare Teen Troupe
<i>Pericles</i>	William Shakespeare	Elm Shakespeare Youth Theatre Festival
<i>The Winter's Tale</i>	William Shakespeare	American Shakespeare Center Theatre Camp
<i>Cymbeline</i>	William Shakespeare	American Shakespeare Center Theatre Camp
<i>The Tempest</i>	William Shakespeare	American Shakespeare Center Theatre Camp
<i>2 Henry IV</i>	William Shakespeare	American Shakespeare Center Theatre Camp
<i>Othello</i>	William Shakespeare	American Shakespeare Center Theatre Camp

Education & Training

-MFA in Acting, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill Professional Actors Training Program

*Recipient of the David A. Hammond Award for Excellence in Dramatic Art

- BA in History and Secondary Social Studies, State University of New York, Cortland, NY
- American Academy of Dramatic Art, New York, NY: Summer Acting Intensive
- Society of American Fight Directors: Advanced Actor/Combatant with Certifications in Knife, Sword & Shield, Quarterstaff, Rapier/Dagger, Single Sword, Broad Sword, and Unarmed Combat
 - *Recipient of the David L. Boushey Founder's Award for Excellence in Unarmed Combat
 - *Recipient of the Award for Best Scene, National Stage Combat Workshop (2016)

References

Sara Holdren, Artistic Director Shakespeare Academy @ Stratford (434) 825-4788
Sarah Enloe, Director of Education, American Shakespeare Center (540) 292-3395
Mike Skinner, Chair of Theatre Southern Connecticut State University (203) 668-4772
Linda Bissesti, Head of Acting, CalPoly Pomona, Artistic Director Southern California Shakespeare (909) 869-3987
Jim Warren, Artistic Director, American Shakespeare Center (ret.) (540) 849-0465