

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

AMERICAN CONSERVATORY THEATER, San Francisco, CA, **Master of Fine Arts**, Acting.

AMERICAN CONSERVATORY THEATER, Advanced Training Program, San Francisco, CA, **Certificate in Acting**.

WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, Middletown, CT, **Bachelor of Arts**, Theater and American Studies. Ranked 30th out of class of 785.

BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY, Waltham, MA, one year of study in acting.

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

ACME COMEDY THEATER, Los Angeles, CA improvisation and sketch writing.

VIEWPOINTS WORKSHOP lead by Ann Bogart, San Francisco, CA.

CINCINNATI PLAYHOUSE IN THE PARK, Cincinnati, OH, Professional Internship in Acting.

POLARIS REP THEATER, New York City, scene study and audition training.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor, MI, **Associate Professor of Acting and Directing**, Fall of 2013-present. **Head of BFA Performance program**, Spring 2016-present.

Courses Taught

Acting II (182) -- Undergraduate Acting, Spring 2015 (two sections), Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2018 (two sections), Spring 2019, Spring 2020, Spring 2021 (two sections).

Acting IV (Shakespeare) (282) – Undergraduate Acting, Spring 2020.

Acting V (European Early Modern styles) (381-1) – Undergraduate Acting, Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Fall 2020.

Acting VIII (482) – The Business of Acting/Showcase, Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2020.

Directing I – Undergraduate Directing (241-2), Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019.

Principles of Comedy (483) - Undergraduate Acting, Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Spring 2019.

Topics in Drama: Building Original Characters (399) – Undergraduate Acting, Spring 2021.

Acting I for Non-majors (101) – Undergraduate Acting, Fall 2020.

Directing Seminar (506-1) – Directing seminar undergraduate/graduate, Fall 2013, Fall 2016, Fall 2017.

Numerous Independent Studies -- all semesters.

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, Evanston, IL, **Assistant Professor of Acting**, 2006-2013.

Courses Taught

Acting I: Principles of Characterization - Observation (243-1) – Undergraduate Acting, Fall 2006, Fall 2007, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, Fall 2012.
Acting I: Principles of Characterization - Imagination (243-2) – Undergraduate Acting, Winter 2007, Winter 2008, Winter 2011, Winter 2013.
Acting I: Principles of Characterization - Interplay (243-3) – Undergraduate Acting, Spring 2007, Spring 2008, Spring 2010, Spring 2011, Spring 2013.
Acting II: Analysis and Performance of Drama - Greek Drama (341-1) – Undergraduate Acting, Fall 2007, Fall 2008, Fall 2010, Fall 2011.
Acting II: Analysis and Performance of Drama - Shakespeare (341-2) – Undergraduate Acting, Winter 2008, Winter 2009.
Acting II: Analysis and Performance of Drama - Chekhov (341-3) - Undergraduate Acting, Spring 2008, Spring 2009, Spring 2011, Spring 2012.
Acting III: Problems in Style – Comedy (349-1) – Undergraduate Acting, Fall 2008, Fall 2009, Fall 2011, Fall 2012.
Acting III: Problems in Style -- New York Senior Showcase (349-2) – Undergraduate Acting, Winter 2013.
Acting III: Problems in Style – 20th and 21st Century Drama (349-3) – Undergraduate Acting, Spring 2009, Spring 2010, Spring 2012, Spring 2013.
Special Topics in Theater: Documentary Theater (330-0) – Undergraduate Performance Elective, Spring 2007.
Numerous Independent Studies -- All terms.

WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, Middletown, CT, **Visiting Assistant Professor**, 2004-2006.

Courses Taught

Acting I – Undergraduate Acting, Fall 2004, Spring 2005, Fall 2005 (two sections).
Acting II – Undergraduate Acting, Spring 2005.
Plays for Performance – Freshman intro to plays and performance class, Spring 2006.

GRADUATE LIBERAL STUDIES PROGRAM, WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, Middletown, CT, **Visiting Artist in Acting**, 2006.

Courses Taught

A Survey of Approaches to Acting – Graduate Performance/Theory Class, Spring 2006.

PACE UNIVERSITY, New York, NY, **Adjunct Professor of Acting**, 2003-2006.

Courses Taught

Acting I – Undergraduate Acting, Fall 2003, Fall 2005.
Acting II – Undergraduate Acting, Spring 2004, and Spring 2006.

AMERICAN MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC ACADEMY, New York, NY, **Acting Faculty**, 2002-2006.

Courses Taught

Acting I: Techniques and Resources – Undergraduate Acting, Fall 2002, Spring 2003, Fall 2003, Spring 2004, Fall 2004, Fall 2005, Spring 2006.
Acting II: Scene Study – Undergraduate Acting, Spring 2004, Fall 2004, Fall 2005,

Spring 2005.

Acting III: Shakespeare -- Undergraduate Acting, Spring 2004, Spring 2005, Spring 2006.

Audition and Cold Reading – Undergraduate Performance Class, Fall 2004, Spring 2005, Fall 2005, Spring 2006.

Monologues – Undergraduate Acting Class, Spring 2003, Fall 2004, Spring 2004.

CANTOR STUDIOS, **Teacher and Coach**, New York, NY, 2000-2006; Chicago, IL, 2014-present.

Courses Taught

Acting/Scene Study

Auditions

Monologues

Improvisation

Early Modern to Contemporary Drama

NATIONAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY, **Instructor**, New York, NY, summers 1990-1993.

Courses Taught

Acting Shakespeare

TEACHING WORKSHOPS, LECTURES, AND PANELS

AMERICAN WRITER'S AND WRITING PROGRAMS, Chicago, IL, writing and performing short plays, presentation and discussion (with Lydia Diamond and Zayd Dohrn), 2012.

CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY, MFA Acting Program, Cleveland, OH, acting and professional prep workshops, 2005.

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY, Princeton, NJ, Science in Theater, presentation and discussion, 2001.

UNIVERSITY OF HARTFORD, BFA Acting program, Hartford, CT, improvisation workshop, 2001.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Palo Alto, CA, Freshman English, lecture and discussion on *Arcadia*, 1995.

SAN FRANCISCO ELDER HOSTEL, San Francisco, CA, lecture and discussion on, respectively, *Picasso at the Lapin Agile*, *The Cherry Orchard*, *The Tempest*, *Arcadia*, 1995-97.

VARIOUS THEATERS, cities throughout the United States, audience "talk backs" of various plays, 1989-present.

PROFESSIONAL ACTING – STAGE

OFF BROADWAY/NATIONAL PRODUCTION

PROMENADE THEATER, New York City:

Things You Shouldn't Say Past Midnight (premiere), role of "Clean Gene," and later "Ben," directed by John Rando, 6/99-10/99.

STEPHENWOLF ORIGINATED, PROMENADE THEATER PRODUCTION AT THEATER ON THE SQUARE, San Francisco, CA:

Picasso at the Lapin Agile (premiere), role of "Pablo Picasso," directed by Randall

Arney, 8/96-5/97.

MINETTA LANE THEATER, New York City:

Tuesdays With Morrie (premiere), "Mitch u/s," directed by David Esbjornson, 9/02-3/03.

SOHO PLAYHOUSE, New York City:

Strictly Personal (premiere), "Dan," directed by Donna Drake, 9/00-4/01.

CHICAGO

GOODMAN THEATER, Chicago, IL:

Rabbit Hole, "Howie," directed by Steve Scott, 2/07-4/07.

Chicago Boys, "Gunder Frank," directed by Ann Filmer, 9/11-10/11.

Fish Men, "Stuart," directed by Eddie Torres, 3/12-5/12.

COURT THEATER, Chicago, IL:

Water by the Spoonful, "Fountainhead," directed by Henry Godinez, 2/14-4/14.

DRURY LANE THEATER, Oakbrook, IL:

Deathtrap, "Sydney," directed by Bill Osetek, 5/16-8/16.

Boeing Boeing, "Robert," directed by Dennis Zacek, 5/13-8/13.

VICTORY GARDENS THEATER, Chicago, IL:

Relatively Close (premiere), "Ron," directed by Dennis Zacek, 4/08-7/08.

Jacob and Jack (premiere), "Abe" and "Ted," directed by Dennis Zacek, 4/10-6/10.

If I Forget, "Michael," directed by Devon de Mayo, 5/19-7/19.

CHICAGO SHAKESPEARE THEATER, Chicago, IL:

Comedy of Errors, "Troupe Manager," "Aegeon," "Luce," "Dr. Pinch," directed by David Bell, 12/09-4/10.

SILK ROAD RISING THEATER, Chicago, IL:

Paulus (premiere), "Paulus," directed by Jim McDermott, 10/13-1/14.

NEXT THEATER, Chicago, IL:

Return to Haifa (premiere), "Jakob," directed by Jason Sutherland, 1/10-3/10.

AMERICAN THEATER COMPANY, Chicago, IL, 10 X 10 New Play Festival:

Family Photographer, "Heath Wilcox," 4/11.

UV THEATER PROJECT/RAGDALE FOUNDATION Artist Residency, Chicago, IL:

Uncle Vanya, serving as producer, assistant director and role of "Vanya," directed by JR Sullivan, 8/15.

REGIONAL AND TOUR

AMERICAN CONSERVATORY THEATER, San Francisco, CA:

Arcadia, "Septimus," directed by Carey Perloff, 9/05-12/05.

The Tempest, "Ferdinand," directed by Carey Perloff, 1/06-3/06.

The Cherry Orchard, "Yasha," directed by Barbara Damashek, 4/06-6/06.

The Matchmaker, "August," directed by Richard Seyd, 4/06-6/06.

CINCINNATI PLAYHOUSE IN THE PARK, Cincinnati, OH:

The Last Night of Ballyhoo, "Joe," directed by Richard Haney, 12/99-1/00.

The Boys Next Door, "Barry," directed by Worth Gardner, 4/90-5/90.

Les Liaisons Dangereuses, "Major Domo/Danceney u/s," directed by Worth Gardner, 9/89-10/89.

Outreach Tour to Cincinnati Area High Schools, *Comedy of Errors*, "Dromio of Syracuse," Spring 1990.

Outreach Tour to Cincinnati Area High Schools (excerpts from various plays), "Various Roles," directed by Catherine Moore, 9/89-5/90.

MILWAUKEE REPERTORY THEATER, Milwaukee, WI:

The Last Night of Ballyhoo, "Joe," directed by J.R. Sullivan, 11/98-12/98.

My Name is Asher Lev, "Ari," "Jacob Kahn," "Rebbi," "Yitzhak," directed by Aaron Posner, 8/10-11/10.

CLEVELAND PLAYHOUSE, Cleveland, OH:

Restoring the Sun (Premiere), "Len Spitzer," directed by Connie Grappo, 2/04-4/04.

STUDIO THEATER, Washington, D.C.:

Lobby Hero, "Bill," directed by J.R. Sullivan, 4/02-7/02.

HARTFORD THEATERWORKS, Hartford, CT:

Rounding Third, "Michael," directed by Steve Campo, 8/05-10/05.

BARRINGTON STAGE COMPANY, Pittsfield, MA:

Wonder of the World, "Captain Mike," directed by Rob Ruggiero, 6/06-8/06.

My Name is Asher Lev, "Ari," "Jacob Kahn," "Rebbi," "Yitzhak," directed by Aaron Posner, 7/11-9/11.

CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN THEATER FESTIVAL, Sheperdstown, WV:

The Last Schwartz, "Gene," directed by Lucy Tiberghien, 6/03-8/03.

Bright Ideas, "Multiple Roles," directed by Ed Herendeen, 6/03-8/03.

PLAYHOUSE THEATER, Wilmington, DE:

Picasso at the Lapin Agile, "Picasso," directed by Cliff Baker, 5/98-6/98.

ARKANSAS REPERTORY THEATER, Little Rock, AR:

Picasso at the Lapin Agile, "Picasso," directed by Cliff Baker, 5/98.

SHAKESPEARE SANTA CRUZ, Santa Cruz, CA:

The Merry Wives of Windsor, "Dr. Caius," directed by Mark Rucker, 6/94-8/94.

The Rape of Tamar, "Yonadab," directed by Paul Whitworth, 6/94-8/94.

WORCESTER FOOTHILLS THEATER, Worcester, MA:

Brighton Beach Memoirs, "Stanley," directed by Tom Oueillette, 9/91-10/91.

NOTRE DAME SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL, South Bend, IN:

Hamlet, "Ghost," "Player King," "Gravedigger," Directed by David Bell, 7/12-8/12.

MILL MOUNTAIN THEATER, Roanoke, VA:

The Boys Next Door, "Arnold," directed by Mary Best-Bova, 4/91-5/91.
Rooms of the King (Premiere), "Jackie," directed by Ernie Zulia, 1/91-2/91.

NATIONAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY, New York City based Touring Company:
She Stoops to Conquer, "Tony Lumpkin," directed by Elaine Sulka, 6/90-7/90.
The Comedy of Errors, "Dromio of Syracuse," directed by Elaine Sulka, 6/91-7/91.
Much Ado About Nothing, "Don John/Dogberry," directed by Elaine Sulka, 6/93-7/93.

MAIN STREET THEATER, Quakertown, PA:
Sleuth, "Andrew," 9/01-10/01.

CHILDREN'S THEATER OF MASSACHUSETTS, Springfield, MA:
Winnie the Pooh, "Eeyore," directed by Tom McCabe, 9/90-10/90.
Treasure Island, "Long John Silver," directed by Tom McCabe, 11/90-12/90.

WESTON PLAYHOUSE, Weston VT:
Babes in Arms, "Don," 7/83.

PROFESSIONAL ACTING – FILM AND TELEVISION

FOX BROADCASTING CORPORATION, New York/Chicago:
Empire, role of "Judge" directed by Hanelle Cullpepper, 7/16.

NATIONAL BROADCASTING CORPORATION, New York City:
Chicago Fire, role of "Lieutenant Pierson," directed by Reza Tabrizi, 1/19
Chicago PD, role of "Lieutenant Pierson," directed by Donald Petrie, 1/19.
Chicago PD, role of "Voigt's Lawyer," directed by Mark Tinker, 7/14 and 9/14.
Law and Order, role of "Stan Murdoch," directed by Marisol Torres, 8/08.
Law and Order, role of "David Levinson," directed by Richard Dobbs, 8/04.
Law and Order, role of "Mr. Jordan," directed by Constantine Markis, 8/00.
Law and Order: SVU, role of "Special Agent Nelson," directed by David Platt, 9/07.
Law and Order: CI, role of "Jeff Potter," directed by Bill Norton, 11/05.
Conviction, role of "Robert Schwartz," directed by Randall Zisk, 1/06.

COLUMBIA BROADCASTING SYSTEM, New York City:
As the World Turns, role of "Dr. Roth", directed by Michael Eilbaum, 8/08.

AMERICAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION, New York City:
Alchemy, role of "Boxing Trainer," directed by Evan Oppenheimer, 6/04.
Loving, role of "College Student," 4/91.

INDEPENDENT TV PILOT, Fresh Films, Chicago, IL:
Pilot episode of Miskits, playing lead role, "Seb-E," directed by Estlin Feigly, 7/17.

HOME BOX OFFICE (webisode), New York:
Sopranos, role of "Literary Agent," directed by Michael Imperioli, 6/00.

SEOUL BROADCASTING SYSTEM, Seoul, South Korea:
Six Episodes of Asphalt Man, role of "Moss," 5/94-6/94.

PUBLIC BROADCASTING SYSTEM, out of Springfield, MA:

Soapbox, role of "Student," 5/84.

SHOWTIME, New York/Los Angeles:

The Auteur Theory, role of "Elliot," directed by Evan Oppenheimer, 6/98.

INDEPENDENT FILM CHANNEL, New York City:

Justice, role of "Terrance the Ugly American," directed by Evan Oppenheimer, 6/02.

OTHER INDEPENDENTLY PRODUCED FILMS, New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles:

Alternative Universe: A Rescue Mission, role of "Fitz Frothingham," directed by Estlin Feigley, 7/15-8/15.

House of Satisfaction, role of "Weitz," directed by Jesse Hartman, 9/07.

Manfred, role of "Manfred," directed by John Cribbs, 6/05-7/05.

Strutting into Chaos, role of "Anthony," directed by David Catalanno, 7/00.

What Are You Looking At? role of "Brother," 2/94.

The Gambit, role of "Father," 10/15, directed by Mitch Schneider

WEB SERIES:

Matching Pursuit, role of "Divorcee," directed by Nora Fiffer, 7/14, 10/15.

COMMERCIAL ACTING

NATIONAL TV COMMERCIALS

Anheuser Busch, 2021.

Comedy Central, 2004.

Federal Express ("Last to Know Guy"), 1997.

American Express ("Vera Wang"), 1997.

Tandem Computers ("Non Stop Guy"), 1997.

Pizza Hut, 1996.

REGIONAL TV COMMERCIALS

Bell Telephone (Southeast), 1998.

Compaq Computers (California), 1999.

Meridan Furniture (Connecticut), 1988.

INDUSTRIAL FILMS (all between 1996-2009)

Pfizer

Compaq Computers (over 15 films)

AT & T

Bank of America

Tandem Computers (2 spots)

Safeway Supermarket

Proctor and Gamble

RADIO COMMERCIALS (all between 1991-2000)

National Business College

Golden Gate Fields Race Track

Augie's Tobacco Shop

Compaq Computers

LIVE INDUSTRIALS (all between 1996 and 2000)

Sony
Netscape
Tandem Computers (3 separate live industrial productions)
Compaq Computers (over 10 separate live industrial productions)

AGENCY REPRESENTATION

Stewart Talent, Chicago – Chicago theatrical and commercial agent, 2006 to present.

PROFESSIONAL DIRECTING

UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY, Ann Arbor, MI:

Death of a Salesman (staged reading with Alec Baldwin), 9/18.

UV THEATER PROJECT in artist residencies at the RAGDALE FOUNDATION ARTIST RESIDENCY, Lake Forest, IL:

Three Sisters, 6/2018.

The Cherry Orchard, 8/2017.

The Seagull, 8/2016.

ROUNDAABOUT THEATER, in association with the PIONEER THEATER GUILD, Ann Arbor, MI:

Prospect High: Brooklyn (part of a national outreach project), 12/15-2/16.

CHICAGO SHAKESPEARE THEATER, Chicago, IL:

Macbeth, Associate Director (David Bell, director), 12/10-4/11.

MARRIOT THEATRE, Lincolnshire, IL:

Cabaret, Assistant Director (David Bell, director), 1/14.

WESTBETH THEATER CENTER, New York City:

Politics as Usual (premiere), 6/2000.

Bread Baking, Pancake Making and Other Delights (premiere), 7/2001.

PSNBC Comedy Development Theater, New York City:

Bread Baking Redux (premiere), (Aspen Comedy Festival Nominee) 10/2001.

NATIONAL HISTORIC THEATER, New York City:

Ms. Chase/Mr. Lincoln, 12/06-1/07.

SOLO ARTS, New York City:

The Hate Brothers (premiere), 8/97.

STAND UP NY, New York City:

Pig Pile: Dan Cantor's One Hour of Comedy Material (premiere), 6/93.

UV THEATER PROJECT in an artist residency at the RAGDALE FOUNDATION, Lake Forest, IL:

Uncle Vanya, assistant director (JR Sullivan director), 8/2015.

ACADEMIC DIRECTING

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor, MI:

Twelfth Night, Fall 2018.

Angels in America, Part I: Millennium Approaches, Winter 2018.

Mr. Burns, a Post Electric Play, Spring Winter, 2017.

New York/Los Angeles/Chicago Actor Showcase (co-direct), Spring 2020.

New York/Los Angeles Actor Showcase, Spring 2017.

New York/Los Angeles Actor Showcase, Spring, 2016.

Imaginary Invalid, Arthur Miller Theater, Winter, 2016.

Stupid Fucking Bird, Lydia Mendelssohn Theater, Winter 2015.

Danny and the Deep Blue Sea, (co-directed with student actors) Fall, 2014.

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, Evanston, IL:

Sideways Stories from the Wayside School, 4/13.

New York Actor's Showcase, 3/13.

Chicago Actor Showcase (co-director with Dawn Mora), 6/11.

MFA Writer's Showcase, at Goodman Theater (directed one of the pieces, It's Five O'Clock and They Know Where Their Kids Are, by graduate student Lauren Bennet), 5/11.

Chicago Actor Showcase (co-director with Dawn Mora), 6/09.

Ghetto, 5/09.

AMERICAN MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC ACADEMY, New York City:

Student Showcase for Industry Professionals, Spring 2004.

Student Showcase for Industry Professionals, Spring 2003.

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS, Amherst, MA:

Fraternity Prank (premiere), 11/90.

AMERICAN CONSERVATORY THEATER STUDENT CABARET, San Francisco, CA:

Duck Variations, 11/93.

The Plain Bellies (improvisation show), Spring 1994.

WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, Middletown, CT (all original self-written work directed between 1986-1989):

The Duck Pond

The House of WIGS (improvisation show)

Dan Cantor's First Annual Tag Sale/Comedy Show

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

ACTORS EQUITY ASSOCIATION, stage actors' union. Member since 1991.

SCREEN ACTORS GUILD, screen actors' union. Member since 1996.

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF TV AND RADIO ARTISTS, TV and radio artists union.

Member since 1996. (SAG and AFTRA are now one union - "SAG-AFTRA").

ASSOCIATION OF THEATER IN HIGHER EDUCATION. Member since 2006.

THEATER COMMUNICATION GROUP. Member since 2010.

HONORS AND AWARDS

BEST ACTOR NOMINATION FOR "Sydney Bruhl" in *Deathtrap* at Drury Lane Theater, BroadwayWorld Chicago, 2016.

BEST ACTOR NOMINATION for "Septimus," in *Arcadia* at The American Conservatory Theater, by the Bay Area Critics Circle Awards, San Francisco, 1996.

THE CLARENCE SIMON AWARD for excellence in teaching, annually given to recognize outstanding teaching and mentoring for professors in the School of Communication at Northwestern University, 2010.

THE NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATED STUDENT GOVERNMENT 2012-2013 HONOR ROLE, awarded annually to the "most exceptional staff on campus" (students nominate professors, administrators and staff from across the university – in 2012-13 over 1200 faculty and staff were nominated – with about 90 selected to the honor role).

THE BURT AND DEE DEE McMURTY SCHOLARSHIP FOR EXCELLENCE IN ACTING, given to award achievement in acting for an outstanding student in the MFA acting program at The American Conservatory Theater, San Francisco, CA, 1995.

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

UV THEATER PROJECT, Evanston, Illinois, **Co-founder and Artistic Director**, 2014-Present.
The UV Theater Project is a collective of mostly Chicago Theater artists producing site-specific performances of canonical plays.

WEBSITE

danielcantor.com