

ARCHIVE: THEATRE 2005-2006

- GRADUATE FELLOW BRIAN BROPHY

Project Title:	Recalling the Senses
Project Description:	This project facilitated acting and writing workshops with students. After the students gained mastery of the initial exercises, students were guided through the development of narratives, stories, and poems. Storytelling techniques and exercises helped to create mutual respect among the students and encouraged the students to explore themes and plots. Staging and performance of plays concluded the project.
Site/# of Presentations:	North High School - 10
Site/Audience Reached:	North High School - 300
Total # of Presentations:	10
Total Audience Reached:	300
Fellow's Bio:	Brian Brophy is pursuing his MFA in Creative Writing & Writing for the Performing Arts. He received his MA from Cal State Los Angeles. In addition to teaching at UC Riverside, Cal State LA, he also teaches at Cal Arts and at Pomona College. He is a member of the Actor's Gang Theater company in Los Angeles, and a member of the Screen Actors Guild. He has performed in numerous television guest-starring roles and acted in over 20 feature films including <i>Shawshank Redemption</i> , <i>The Player</i> , and <i>A Day Without a Mexican</i> .

- GRADUATE FELLOW HEATHER McTEAR

Project Title:	Expressing the Voice Within
Project Description:	This project introduced "voice" and how to use voice in any artistic medium, study, or profession. Students realized that their voices play an incredible part in the process of life. Students heard their voices, first as syllables, then words, and finally monologue. Through visualization and intuitive practice, students faced their fears of the stage, public speaking, and one-on-one communication. Students also participated in a final presentation where each monologue flowed smoothly from one student to another, showing students the importance of those who spoke before and after them, and their place in the movement.
Site/# of Presentations:	Jurupa Middle School - 10
Site/Audience Reached:	Jurupa Middle School - 320
Total # of Presentations:	10
Total Audience Reached:	320
Fellow's Bio:	Heather McTear is pursuing her MFA in Creative Writing & Writing for the Performing Arts.

- GRADUATE FELLOW VALERIE STULMAN

Project Title:	Theatre Games
Project Description:	This project introduced elementary school students to theatre games, incorporating famous Shakespeare sayings, on-stage communication, and characterization.
Site/# of Presentations:	Gluck Day of the Arts Edgemont Elementary School - 1 Longfellow Elementary School - 1 Sunnymeadows Elementary School - 1 Town Gate Elementary School - 1
Site/Audience Reached:	Gluck Day of the Arts Edgemont Elementary School - 70 Longfellow Elementary School - 70

Sunnymeadows Elementary School - 80
Town Gate Elementary School - 67

Total # of Presentations: 4
Total Audience Reached: 293

Project Title: **Introduction to Dramatic Writing**
Project Description: This project introduced students to dramatic writing, including writing for television shows and one-act plays. Students worked with others and individually to brainstorm on ideas for plays and shows. Character studies, back-story, and theme were emphasized in writing their pieces. A performance of their pieces completed their projects.

Site/# of Presentations: Vista del Lago High School – 3
North High School - 3

Site/Audience Reached: Vista del Lago High School – 24
North High School - 90

Total # of Presentations: 6
Total Audience Reached: 114

Fellow's Bio: Valerie Stulman comes to Riverside by way of New York and the San Fernando Valley. While currently her MFA in Creative Writing & Writing for the Performing Arts, she has had many years of experience in the entertainment industry in widely varying areas. As an actor, she studied in New York with Austin Pendleton at the famed H.B. studios. In Los Angeles, she worked with Roy London. She performed locally at various theatres, including the Cast and Circle in Hollywood, which acting in film, television and commercials, such as *Chips*, *V*, *Bank of America*, and *Universal Studios Tours*. In the early 1980s she became one of a select group of women to begin a career in below-the-line television production. Her numerous credits include *Roseanne*, *Full House*, *Suddenly Susan*, and *The Drew Carey Show*. She has also written several screenplays and theatrical productions. Her latest screenplay, *Family Place*, is currently in development with Emmy-award winning producer, Jeff Lambert.

- UNDERGRADUATE FELLOW **RAEMI BALDWIN**

Project Title: **The Ten-Minute Play**
Project Description: This collaborative project guided students through an exploration and discovery of the art of writing and performing in theatre. Students learned the skills of playwriting, including construction of plot, development of character and dialogue. This project culminated in a reader's theatre performance.

Site/# of Presentations: Emerson Elementary School – 5
Sunnymeadows Elementary School - 5
Site/Audience Reached: Emerson Elementary School – 200
Sunnymeadows Elementary School - 160

Total # of Presentations: 10
Total Audience Reached: 360

Fellow's Bio: Raemi Baldwin is pursuing her BA in Theatre.

- UNDERGRADUATE FELLOW **JULIAN CLARK**

Project Title: **The Power of Improvisation**
Project Description: Julian introduced students to dramatic and comedic improvisation as a tool to developing characters and establishing inner-awareness as a performer. By utilizing improvisation games and workshops regarding physicality, on-

stage reactions, and understanding objectives, students learned a viable approach that can be used in future productions.

Site/# of Presentations: Ramona High School – 10
Site/Audience Reached: Ramona High School – 100
Total # of Presentations: 10
Total Audience Reached: 100
Fellow's Bio:

Julian Clark is pursuing a double major in Theatre and Political Science, with an emphasis in Law and Society. He is a member of the improvisation troupe Comedy Sportz LA, and works with Radio Disney AM 1110, where he promotes the station to venues across Southern California.

- UNDERGRADUATE FELLOW **GAYA KHMOYAN**

Project Title: Theatre Games

Project Description: This project introduced elementary school students to theatre games, incorporating famous Shakespeare sayings, on-stage communication, and characterization.

Site/# of Presentations: Gluck Day of the Arts
Edgemont Elementary School - 1
Longfellow Elementary School - 1
Sunnymeadows Elementary School - 1
Town Gate Elementary School - 1

Site/Audience Reached: Gluck Day of the Arts
Edgemont Elementary School - 70
Longfellow Elementary School - 70
Sunnymeadows Elementary School - 80
Town Gate Elementary School - 67

Total # of Presentations: 4
Total Audience Reached: 293

Project Title: Commedia dell Arte

Project Description: This project introduced students to Commedia dell Arte, including its history, influences on European theatre, stock characters, masks, and physicality. This project also introduced some improvisation technique and exercises.

Site/# of Presentations: Hyatt Elementary School – 6
Site/Audience Reached: Hyatt Elementary School - 150
Total # of Presentations: 6
Total Audience Reached: 150

Fellow's Bio: Gaya Khmoyan is pursuing a double major in Sociology and Theatre, and a minor in Russian Studies.

- UNDERGRADUATE FELLOW **SCOTT ROUKEMA**

Project Title: Actor Boot Camp: Developing the Instrument

Project Description: This project guided students through an actor boot camp. The project consisted of teaching the students exercises and stretches and how to use the body and the voice in acting. Students also learned mental techniques for performances. Also, students worked on pieces that they performed at the conclusion of the project.

Site/# of Presentations: North High School – 5
Vista del Lago High School – 5
Site/Audience Reached: North High School – 175
Vista del Lago High School - 45

Total # of Presentations: 10
Total Audience Reached: 210

Fellow's Bio: Scott Roukema is pursuing his BA in Theatre. He was the recipient of the Chancellor's Performance Award.

- UNDERGRADUATE FELLOW CRYSTAL STONE

Project Title: **Dramatic Interpretations**
Project Description: This project taught students dramatic interpretations by reading and performing a monologue. Students were led through a discussion of essential elements of monologue. Students also wrote their own monologues, rehearsed, and presented their own work.
Site/# of Presentations: Mira Loma Middle School – 5
Vista del Lago High School - 5
Site/Audience Reached: Mira Loma Middle School – 70
Vista del Lago High School - 45
Total # of Presentations: **10**
Total Audience Reached: **115**
Fellow's Bio: Crystal Stone is pursuing her BA in Theatre.

- CHILDREN'S THEATRE TROUPE

Project Title: **Kate Anger's *The Hero Inside***
Project Description: This interactive project introduced young people to the theatre and got them excited about reading, and connected their respective schools to UC Riverside. Kate Anger's *The Hero Inside* is a fairy tale filled with enchantment, chance occurrence, adversity, and triumph that exemplified great possibilities for young minds.
Site/# of Presentations: Emerson Elementary School – 1
Grand Terrace Elementary School – 1
Hendrick Ranch Elementary School – 1
Highland Elementary School - 2
Longfellow Elementary School – 1
Sugar Hill Elementary School – 1
Sunnymeadows Elementary School – 1
Town Gate Elementary School – 1
West Riverside Elementary School - 1
Site/Audience Reached: Emerson Elementary School – 250
Grand Terrace Elementary School – 300
Hendrick Ranch Elementary School – 400
Highland Elementary School - 400
Longfellow Elementary School – 300
Sugar Hill Elementary School – 300
Sunnymeadows Elementary School – 350
Town Gate Elementary School – 250
West Riverside Elementary School - 300
Total # of Presentations: **10**
Total Audience Reached: **2,850**
Fellows' Bios: - **Josh Callahan** has been involved in other theatre productions. *The Hero Inside* is his fourth consecutive production.
- **Jennifer Finnigan** is pursuing her BA in Theatre. She is currently working as an Assistant in the costume shop. She has designed costumes for productions at UC Riverside including *Orange Grove* and *The Shape of Things*, and was an assistant designer for *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and *The Hero Inside*.
- **Arthur Hernandez** is pursuing his BA in Theatre.
- **Helen Kim** is pursuing a double major in Theatre and Art History. *The Hero Inside* is her third touring show. She has also been seen on the UC Riverside stage as Usherette/Phantom in *The Rocky Horror Show*, Ross in *Macbeth*, the

little prince in *The Little Prince*, and as an Ensemble member in *Cabaret*. Helen has also assistant stage managed *The Visit* and stage managed *Our Town*. She is slated to stage manage *Julius Caesar* in Spring 2006.

- **Michelle Macdougall** is pursuing her BA in Theatre, and has been involved in three touring productions,
- **Alexander Myerchin** is pursuing his BS in Chemistry.
- **Antonio Perez-Bravo** is pursuing his BA in Liberal Studies with a concentration in Theatre and a minor in Education.
- **Scott Roukema** is pursuing his BA in Theatre. He has been in three productions including *The Visit*, *Macbeth*, and *Cabaret*.
- **Gregory Spradlin** is pursuing his undergraduate degrees in History and Theatre.
- **Diana Stucker** is pursuing her degree in Biological Sciences and a minor in Computer Science. She has been seen on the UC Riverside stage as Blind Girl in *The Miracle Worker*, Mother in *The Real Meaning of Christmas*, and as an Ensemble member in *Cabaret*.

- SPRING THEATRE TROUPE

Project Title:	William Shakespeare's <i>Julius Caesar</i>
Project Description:	This interactive project introduced young people to the theatre, and to the works of Shakespeare. <i>Julius Caesar</i> resonates through the centuries, and is especially relevant to the contemporary international and national politics.
Site/# of Presentations:	Arlington High School – 1 Emerson Elementary School – 1 Hendrick Ranch Elementary School – 1 Jurupa Middle School – 1 Longfellow Elementary School – 1 Poly High School – 1 Ramona High School – 1 Riverside Adult School –1 Vista del Lago High School - 2
Site/Audience Reached:	Arlington High School – 150 Emerson Elementary School – 100 Hendrick Ranch Elementary School – 70 Jurupa Middle School – 500 Longfellow Elementary School – 100 Poly High School – 30 Ramona High School – 150 Riverside Adult School – 200 Vista del Lago High School - 400
Total # of Presentations:	10
Total Audience Reached:	1700
Fellows' Bio:	- Josh Callahan is pursuing his BA in Theatre. - Julian Clark is pursuing a double major in Theatre and Political Science, with an emphasis in Law and Society. He is a member of the improvisation troupe Comedy Sportz LA, and works with Radio Disney AM 1110, where he promotes the station to venues across Southern California. - Derik Holzheimer is pursuing a double major in Theatre and Political Science. - Katie Hotchkiss is pursuing her BA in Theatre, and is in the University Honors Program. - Paul Jacques is pursuing his BA in Theatre. - Helen Kim is pursuing a double major in Theatre and Art History. - Michelle Macdougall is pursuing her BA in Theatre. - Rachel Mink is pursuing her BA in Theatre. She was an intern with the Traverse Theatre during the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in 2005.

- Alex Myerchin** is pursuing his BS in Biological Sciences.
- Greg Spradlin** is pursuing a double major in Theatre and History.
- Laura Swaim** is pursuing her BA in Theatre.
- Kaiji Tang** is pursuing his BA in Theatre. He has recently been seen in *Cabaret* and *The Shape of Things*.