# LYNN BABER Casting Director, CSA

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# 2006-2017 Casting Director, Northlight Theatre 2017-18

The Legend of Georgia McBride (Matthew Lopez)Lauren ShouseThe Book of Will (Lauren Gunderson)Jessica ThebusSkeleton Crew (Dominique Morriseau)Ron OJ ParsonBeauty Queen of Leenane (Martin McDonagh)BJ JonesCry it Out (Molly Smith Metzler)Jess Fisch

#### 2016-17

City of Conversation (Anthony Giardiana)Marti Lyons\*Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley (Gunderson & Marcon)Jessica Thebus\*Faceless (Selina Felinger)BJ JonesBy the Water (Sharyn Rothstein)Cody EstleRelativity (Mark St. Germain)BJ Jones

#### 2015-16

\*Funnyman (Bruce Graham)

\*Charm (Philip Dawkins)

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\*You Can't Take It With You (Kaufman & Hart)

\*Mothers & Sons (Terrence McNally)

\*Butler (Richard Strand)

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The Gospel According to Thomas Jefferson, Charles Dickens,

and Count Leo Tolstoy: Discord (Scott Carter) Kimberly Senior

#### 2014-15

The Commons of Pensacola (Amanda Peet)Robin WittThe Mousetrap (Agatha Christie)Jonathan Berry\*White Guy on the Bus (Bruce Graham)BJ JonesOutside Mullingar (John Patrick Shanley)BJ Jones

\*Shining Lives: A Musical (book & lyrics by Jessica Thebus, music by Andre Pluess & Amanda Dehnert, based on the play

These Shining Lives by Melanie Marnich)

Jessica Thebus/Chuck Larkin

#### 2013-2014

4000 Miles (Amy Herzog)Kimberly SeniorDetroit '67 (Dominique Morisseau)Ron OJ Parson\*Chapatti (Christian O'Reilly)BJ JonesLost in Yonkers (Neil Simon)Devon deMayo

#### 2011-2012

Snapshots (Stephen Schwartz & David Stern, etc.) Stephen Schwartz, Ken Sawyer Gigi Pritzker & Ted Rawlins

Season's Greetings (Alan Aykbourn)BJ JonesBlack Pearl Sings! (Frank Higgins)Steve ScottTen Chimneys (Jeffrey Hatcher)BJ Jones[title of show] (Hunter Bell & Jeff Bowen)Peter Amster

# **2010-2011**

A Civil War Christmas (Paula Vogel) Henry Godinez/Chuck Larkin

Eclipsed (Danai Gurira) Hallie Gordon

Sense and Sensibility (Jon Jory adaptation)

\*The Outgoing Tide (Bruce Graham)

BJ Jones

#### 2009-2010

The Marvelous Wonderettes (Roger Bean)Roger BeanSouvenir (Stephen Temperley)Steve ScottAwake and Sing! (Clifford Odets)Amy MortonA Life (Hugh Leonard)BJ Jones

\*Low Down Dirty Blues (Randal Myler & Dan Wheetman) Randal Myler/Dan Wheetman

#### 2008-2009

Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde (Jeffrey Hatcher)

Grey Gardens (Doug Wright, Scott Frankel, Michael Korie)

Jessica Thebus

BJ Jones/Doug Peck

Mauritius (Theresa Rebeck)Rick SnyderThe Lieutenant of Inishmore (Martin McDonagh)BJ Jones

### 2007-2008

The Miser (adaptation by James Magruder)Mark LococoElla (Jeffrey Hatcher, Rob Ruggiero & Dyke Garrison)Rob RuggieroGee's Bend (Elyzabeth Gregory Wilder)Chuck Smith\*Better Late (Larry Gelbart & Craig Wright)BJ Jones

#### 2006-2007

Inherit the Wind (Jerome Lawrence & Robert E. Lee)Jessica Thebus\*Lady (Craig Wright)BJ JonesShe Stoops to Conquer (adapted by William Brown)William Brown

Cast ten seasons of Interplay, Northlight's new play reading series, Worked with playwrights Craig Wright, Larry Gelbart, Rajiv Joseph, Joel Drake Johnson, Ken Lin, Laura Schellhardt, Jeffrey Hatcher, Philip Dawkins

also at Northlight: Artistic Administrator, Internship Coordinator and Education Consultant; and Recipient of the 2009 Evie Award for Excellence on Northlight's staff

# 2003-2006, Associate Producer, Apple Tree Theatre, Highland Park, IL

**Casting Director:** 

Dirty Blonde (Claudia Shear) Ernest Zulia

Jammin' with Pops (Barry Herman) ChuckSmith/ Francesco Milioto

Necessary Targets (Eve Ensler)

My Old Lady (Isabel Horovitz)

Jessica Boevers
Brian Russell

Man of No Importance (Ahrens & Flaherty, McNally)

Mark Lococo/Mark Elliott

Vincent in Brixton (Nicolas Wright) Kurt Johns

Hello Again (Michael John LaChiusa)Jessica Boevers/Doug PeckDessa Rose (Ahrens & Flaherty)Mark Lococo/Doug Peck

also at Apple Tree: Education Consultant, Internship Coordinator, Marketing...

# 1983-1989 Founder/Co-Artistic Director of Econo-Art Theatre Company

Produced new and obscure plays include all of Joel Drake Johnson's early plays (*Beautiful Dreamer, Blind Hearts, Slim & Crooked Genius*), and most of Peter Hedges' (*Oregon, Andy & Claire, The Age of Pie*) to great critical acclaim in the 80s.)

# **Freelance Casting**

Citadel Theatre, Lake Forest, IL

Ellen Phelps, Scott Weinstein, Mark Lococo

Elemenopea (Molly Smith Metzler), Upright Grand (Laura Schellhardt), Educating Rita (Willy Russell),

Vanya & Masha & Sonia & Spike (Christopher Durang)

Windy City Playhouse, Chicago, IL

King Liz (Fernanda Coppel)

Joanie Schultz, Amy Rubenstein, Chuck Smith

Theatreworks, Palo Alto, CA

Auctioning the Ainsleys (Laura Schellhardt). June 2009 Meredith McDonough

**Actors Theatre Louisville** 

Chicago casting *Sense & Sensibility* (Jon Jory) Jon Jory **Humana Festival of New American Plays, Actors Theatre Louisville** 

Ground (Lisa Dillman) February 2009 Marc Masterson

**University of North Carolina School of the Arts** 

College admission auditions, February 2016 Quin Gordon

**Arizona Theatre** 

Molly's Delicious Aaron Posner

## **Additional Credits**

Director of Northwestern University's National High School Institute, Theatre Arts Program (aka the Cherubs), 1998-2016.

Administration of a 50-member faculty and staff and 160 students from all across the nation. And Faculty member in the Cherub program 1979-1997: Taught Acting, Voice/Movement, Electives, Text Analysis, Performance Theory, and directed 10 productions.

Member, Casting Society of America

Member AEA/SAG/AFTRA, Acting resume available

Chicago Academy for the Arts, 1990-1997. Taught Acting, Theatre Literature and Directed mainstage plays, musicals, and studio productions.

#### Education

BFA in Acting from University of North Carolina School of the Arts, 1981. Awarded Nancy Reynolds Scholarship. Former member of UNCSA's Board of Trustees, and 2008 recipient of the first Distinguished Alumni award.

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