

# Kenn McLaughlin

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## THEATER LEADERSHIP

### **July 2006 – present – Producing Artistic Director – Stages Repertory Theatre**

Responsible for all areas of function for SPT 6 regional theatre (annual budget of \$2.2 million dollars) Duties include artistic oversight of eleven stage productions, includes hiring of artists and technicians, supervision of production staff, budgeting and overall direction of artistic program. Direct mainstage plays each season. Administrative duties include administrative staff supervision, financial management and budgeting, fundraising, and community advocacy. Serve as member of executive committee. Provide leadership to theater's long-range planning efforts.

### **July 2001-2006 – Managing Director – Stages Repertory Theatre**

Responsible for daily management of SPT 4 professional theater (annual budget of 1.4 million dollars) Duties include staff supervision, financial management and budgeting, fundraising, and community advocacy. Function as producer of six-play mainstage season and five-play family series. Negotiate all professional contracts. Serve as member of executive committee. Provide leadership to theater's long-range planning efforts.

### **June 1996- June 2001 - Director of Education – Great Lakes Theater Festival**

Provide vision for and quality control of the largest outsource provider of arts education for students and adults in the state of Ohio. Manage education department, including strategic planning, financial management, (dept. budget \$680,000) marketing and fund development. Serve as Festival advocate in local, regional and national arts-in-education arena. Serve as member of Festival's management team.

### **August 1990-June 1996 – Education Coordinator, Supervisor of School Residency Program, Actor-Teacher – Great Lakes Theater Festival**

Coordinate all education programs including touring production, school residency program, public symposia, speaker's series and community programs. Manage School Residency Program including client contact, billing, scheduling and supervision of staff. Provide leadership in program creation for student education including teacher preparation materials, teacher workshops and student matinees. Explore classic literature in five-day residencies for elementary, middle and high school students.

## **DIRECTING AND ACTING** (representative-full resume available upon request)

### **August 1990-Present**

**Directing:** For Stages Repertory Theatre: *Pete N Keely*, *Sexy Laundry*, *The Great American Trailer Park Christmas Musical* (world premiere), *Road Show* (regional premiere) *Steel Magnolias*, *Four Places*, *Yankee Tavern*, *Panto Sleeping Beauty* (also author and lyricist), *Panto Cinderella*, *Panto Pinocchio*, *Castro's Beard*; *Bright Ideas*; *From the Inside Out: About Being 8* For Great Lakes Theater Festival: *Once on This Island*; *The Way You Look Tonight*; *Landscape With Figures*; League of Cleveland Theaters: *Truth*; *Romeo and Juliet*; *Macbeth*; *Twelfth Night*; *The Normal Heart*; *Godspell*; *Pippin*. **Acting:** *Angels in America* parts 1 & 2; *All My Sons*; *Cyrano De Bergerac*; *A Christmas Carol*. (Member AEA). Theaters represented: Great Lakes Theater Festival, Doboma Theatre; Halle Theatre; Beck Center for The Performing Arts.

## **EDUCATION**

**June – July, 2005 – The Graduate School of Business, Stanford University – Certificate, non-profit leadership/arts.**

**Sept 1986 -June 1990 - The Theater School, DePaul University - B.F.A Acting**

**Sept 1985-April 1986 - University of Pittsburgh - Theater/Developmental Psychology minor-History**

### **VOLUNTEER SERVICE**

Stewardship chair, Christian Education Committee, First Congregational Church of Houston; Long-range planning committee, FCC Houston; Moderator of Liberation United Church of Christ (negotiated full donation of church building for minority Cleveland community); volunteer drama director of Lorain Catholic High School and Saint Joseph Academy; annual volunteer camp counselor - Camp Sunrise (designed to address the needs of children living in the HIV spectrum); volunteer, Cleveland AIDS Walk.

### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

First recipient: Great Lakes Theater Festival President's Award (Board honor for extraordinary service); Winner of Ohio Historical Society Excellence in History Education for *The Wallpaper Project* (a rural oral history performance program); Two-time winner of *Northern Ohio Live* Award for excellence in outreach for GLTF education programming; Three-time nominee for Governor's Award for Excellence in Arts Partnership Programming - various programs; Winner - Arts Educator of the Year, community educator program - Young Audiences of Ohio; Valedictorian - DePaul University, Theater School and School of Music, June 1990.