Harold J Hotchkiss

Lighting Design & Theatrical Production

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Professional Employment

- 2017 Lighting director, Moreau Catholic High School in Hayward, CA. Designed and implemented lighting for all performing arts productions during the academic year (theatre, dance, band, & choir.) Responsible for purchase and rental of necessary equipment, instruction & supervision of student crews, and maintaining budgets.

 Advised on budgetary/purchasing decisions for capital improvements including new lights & lighting console, expanded circuiting, and incremental upgrades to sound system.
- 2016 Various roles at Mercyhurt University in Erie, PA: Overhire stagehand for visiting productions at the Mary D'Angelo Performing Arts Center stage set-up, lighting prep & focus, light-board operator. Oversaw live and pre-recorded Met Opera and National Theatre Live broadcasts. Hospitality co-ordinator for visiting artists, 2016-2017.
- Various roles, Mercyhurt University in Erie, PA. Lighting designer & technical director for
 Theatre Department productions. Assistant to the technical director for Dance Department productions. Stagehand for traveling productions at the Mary D'Angelo Performing Arts Center.
- 2007 Assistant designer & master electrician, designer Bob Steineck. As electrician responsible for preparation and installation of lighting package. As assistant responsible for focus and cueing when designer not available.
- 2002 Lighting Assistant, Krannert Center for the Performing Arts (KCPA), UIUC. Duties included
 2005 preparatory work for all Theatre Department and touring productions. General maintenance of the lighting inventory and all light hangs and focuses for KCPA productions.
- **Props-master**, Forestburgh Playhouse in Forestburgh, NY. Responsible for supplying props and rehearsal props for summer season.

Education

- MFA Lighting Design, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC), 2005
- BA Theatre, State University of New York, University at Buffalo (UB), 2001

Semester in London at Middlesex University. Studied lighting design, technical theatre, and storytelling & oral tradition.

Selected Lighting Design

- 2019 Moving Pictures Teves Theatre
- Spring Moreau Catholic High School Dance Department, Hayward, CA. Artistic director Angela Demmel
- 2017 **Oklahoma!** Teves Theatre
- Spring Moreau Catholic High School Theatre Department, Hayward, CA. Director Arlene Hood
 - * Emergency fill-in after previous designer left production
- 2014 **Blood Wedding** Teves Theatre
- Fall Moreau Catholic High School Theatre Department, Hayward, CA. Director Arlene Hood
- 2013 *Eurydice* Taylor Little Theatre
- Spring Mercyhurst University, Erie, PA. Director Brett Johnson
 - * Also served as technical director
- 2012 *Camelot* Taylor Little Theatre

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| Fall | Mercyhurst Uni | versity, Erie, PA | . Director - | Rebecka Kerr |
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* Also served as set designer & technical director

2010 *Annie*

Spring Woodland Hills High School, Pittsburgh, PA. Director - Tom Crone

* Gene Kelly award nominee for Best Lighting, 2010

2005 Aloha Say the Pretty Girls - Colwell Playhouse Theatre

Spring UIUC Department of Theatre. Director - Lisa Rothe

2004 **Don Giovanni** - Tryon Festival Theatre

Fall UIUC School of Music. Director - Jacque Trussel

Related Theatre Experience

| 2011 | Astro-Rama - Master Electrician | Squonk Opera, Frostburg, MD |
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| 2011 | The Phantom of the Opera - Ass't Lighting Designer | Woodland Hills High School, Pittsburgh, PA |
| 2009 | Beginning with Books Gala - Master Electrician | Beginning with Books, Pittsburgh, PA |
| 2009 | The Wizard of Oz - Ass't Lighting Designer | Woodland Hills High School, Pittsburgh, PA |
| 2008 | Astro-Rama - Master Electrician | Squonk Opera, Pittsburgh, PA |

Skills

ETC consoles (Ion, Element, Expression, Obsession), Hog consoles, Lightwright, Photoshop, television and video production, web development, Vectorworks and Vectorworks Spotlight, hand-drafting, Audacity sound editing

References

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