

# Kate Hendrickson

Teaching Artist/Theatre Director

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## Urban Gateways, Teaching Artist

In school and afterschool residencies specializing in theatre, improvisation, storytelling and literacy.

## Chicago Dramatists, Faculty

Teach adult playwrights with a focus on collaborating with directors.

## Summerdale Workshop, Teaching Artist & Director

Teach after school theatre classes specializing in improvisation and collaborative creation of student-led theatre pieces adapted from children's literature.

## Decatur Classical School, Sketch Comedy & Improv

Taught improvisation and Sketch Comedy writing to 6th grade in collaboration with classroom teacher. Taught improvisation to 2nd-5th grade students in after school classes.

## Trap Door Theatre, Resident Director

Direct new plays and devised work at internationally recognized Chicago theater. Additional Chicago credits include Red Tape Theatre, Links Hall, the International Voices Project, and Pivot Arts.

## Additional Teaching Experience

Chicago Public Schools, substitute teacher at various schools, including Thurgood Marshall Middle School (substitute for a full academic year in a special education classroom).

Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp, theatre faculty.

WNEP theatre foundation, teaching artist

## Education

BA Acting/Directing, Bennington College, Bennington VT

Additional education: Chicago Filmmakers, Second City Conservatory, Improv Olympic & Columbia College Chicago.

Student shows have been adapted from:

*Twas the night before Christmas*, by Clement Moore

Disney's *The Lion King*

*Where the Sidewalk Ends*, by Shel Silverstien

*Hats for Sale*, by Esphyr Slobodkina

*How to Eat Like a Child*, by Delia Ephron

*The Tell Tale Heart*, by Edgar Allen Poe

*The Year Without a Santa Claus*, Rankin/Bass

*The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*, by Barbara Robinson

Scenes from Ian Doescher's *Star Wars Shakespeare* series.

devised & student written work includes:

*Block Outs!* (Sketch Show)

*Camp!* (Sketch Show)

*Spring Day* (Movement piece)

*A Harold* (long form improv)