

# Curriculum Vita 2020

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#### **EDUCATION**

1987 Master of Science: Theatre and Communication

East Texas State University - Commerce, Texas

1981 Bachelor of Science: Speech/Drama and English

East Texas State University - Commerce, Texas

**1978** Associate of Arts: English

Richland Community College - Dallas, Texas

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSTY – COMMERCE – Commerce, Texas

2008-Present—Senior Lecturer, Department of Mass Media, Communication and Theatre

Teach Fine Arts for Children; Introduction to Theatre; Playwriting; Advanced Playwriting (developed and taught this new playwriting course for the advanced undergraduate student); British Theatre Studies and Playwriting, Directing and Dramaturgy (Texas A&M University System Advanced Collaborative Theatre); Serve on Curriculum Committee, Masters Thesis Committees, undergraduate Honors Thesis Committees, and supervise Senior Projects.

# 1998–2020 – Playwright in Residence and Senior Instructor, Department of Theatre Taught Fine Arts

for Children, and served on the College of Arts and Sciences committee which developed curriculum for the course; Introduction to Theatre; Playwriting (Six of nine 2006 finalists in the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Region VI ten minute play writing competition took this course.); Advanced Playwriting; Playwriting, Directing and Dramaturgy (Texas A&M University System Advanced Collaborative Theatre); Served as emergency substitute instructor for Seminar in Directing and Theatre Management courses scheduled to be taught by the late Dr. Kay L. Coughenour. Promoted to Senior Lecturer, 2008. Served on Masters Thesis Committees, undergraduate Honors Thesis Committees, and supervised Senior Projects.

#### NAVARRO COLEGE- Corsicana, Texas

#### 1991 - 1992 Guest Artist and Lecturer, Fine Arts Department,

Taught Introduction to Theatre, Acting, Theatre Practicum and Developmental Writing.

## UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS - Denton, Texas

## 1989 - 1990 Faculty Lecturer, Division of Dance and Drama

Taught Aesthetics of Theatre, Theatre Management, Stage and Film Performance Practicum, and Writing for the Stage and Screen (combined graduate/undergraduate course). Produced and moderated open forum critiques of Theatre Five productions. Managed theatre box office, overseeing one graduate assistant, and five undergraduate student employees in publicity and media relations. Wrote all ad copy for theatrical productions.

#### **EAST TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY** - Commerce, Texas

## 1988 - 1989 Ad Interim Faculty Lecturer, Department of Communication and Theatre

Taught Acting, Oral Interpretation of Literature, Introduction to the Theatre, Creative Dramatics for the Classroom, Argumentation and Debate, Speech for the Classroom Teacher and Business and Professional Speaking. Served as vice-chair of University Festival of the Arts committee. Served as Associate director of American College Theatre Festival (Area level). Participated in Department of Communication and Theatre budgeting, recruitment and curriculum development.

## 1987 - 1988 Adjunct Instructor, Department of Communication and Theatre

Taught Business and Professional Speaking.

# 1987 - 1988 Adjunct Instructor, Department of Literature and Languages

Taught freshman and junior English composition courses. Administered junior-level Composition Exam.

# 1986 - 1987 Graduate Assistant Instructor, Department of Literature and Languages

Taught Introduction to Composition, and Developmental Writing.

Tutored non-native speakers in conversational English. Edited and proofread theses and dissertations.

# 1981 - 1985 Graduate Assistant Instructor, Department of Communication and Theatre

Taught Business and Professional Speaking and Introduction to Public Speaking. Managed University Playhouse Box Office Wrote and produced print, direct mail, radio and television advertising for The University playhouse.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

**2010-** A book review of <u>Playwriting: The Structure of Action</u> by Sam Smiley, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition-Texas Theatre Journal

**2008-** *Marion's Interview-* Mayo Review, Spring ed.

**2001-** *Iggy and Lewis-*(A Christmas at Ground Zero2001)

#### WRITING CREDITS

**Plays:** *Idol Hill* (produced July, 2013, by TAMU-Commerce)

*Rock it Like a Rocket* Full length play with music (Work in progress)

Wretched Exes - Two Short Plays

Ruby Rose Rides Again (book and lyrics) 2005-6 KCACTF Associate Entry

Full Rock-N-Roll

Motherland (produced, November, 2001, by Bath House Cultural Center, Dallas, Texas.)

Angelize, (Produced by East Texas State University Playhouse, July, 1988)

One Soldier Wounded (produced as KCACTF entry, October-November, 2003, by TAMU-Commerce)

Bad Hand – One Act Play

*The Wild Woman of Jackass Canyon* (produced, October, 2002, by Kentuck Festival of Southern Arts, Tuscaloosa Alabama.

Lonesome Tonight-(produced, October, 2003, by Kentuck Festival of Southern Arts, Tuscaloosa, Alabama; November, 2004, by Delta Blues Festival, Jonesboro Arkansas; 2006, by Deep Ellum Fringefest, HUB Theatre, Dallas, Texas.)

Iggy and Lewis (produced, November-December, 2001 by Ground Zero Theater Company)

Grave Goods

Fortified Wine (In Progress)

**Screenplays:** *Texaplex* 

Swimming Naked (Optioned in 1982, by The Dust Company. Optioned in 1993, by ABH Productions)

Greenwood Farm

Slick Chicken

Holy Motel (Work in progress)

## **DIRECTING**

1988	My Client Curly- East Texas State University
1991 – 1992	Medea and The Princess Who Would Not Marry- Navarro College
1998	The Clock Maker's Daughter, an original play for children Texas A&M-
	Commerce
2004	Arsenic and Old Lace- Texas A&M University-Commerce
	Star Girl, Original play for Children-Texas A&M University-Commerce
2006-	Our Town- Texas A&M University-Commerce
2008	Hank Williams: Lost Highway- Texas A&M University-Commerce
2009-2010	Always Patsy Cline- Texas A&M University-Commerce
2010-2011	Sanders Family Christmas- Texas A&M University-Commerce, with
	Benefit performances for the Audie Murphy American Cotton

Museum at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Greenville, Tx

2012	Breaking Up is Hard to Do, featuring the music of Neil Sedaka- Texas A&M
University-Commerce	

2013 2014	Proof –Texas A&M University- Commerce  Hollywood Arms –Texas A&M University-Commerce
2015	BFG (Big Friendly Giant)- Texas A&M University- Commerce
2017	Smoke on the Mountain Homecoming- Texas A&M University Commerce
2018	Star Girl- Texas A&M University-Commerce
2019	Cul-De-Sac- Texas A&M University Commerce

# **Professional Organization Affiliations**

2004-2007	Vice President for Playwriting Southwest Theatre and Film Association
2010-2013	Vice-Chair for the National New Plays Project, Region VI Kennedy Center American Theater Festival
2013-2016	Chair for the National New Plays Project, Region VI Kennedy Center American Theater Festival
2016-2017	Reader for the Mark Twain Comedic Playwriting Award for the Kennedy Center American Theater Festival
2010-Present 2010- Present	Respondent for KCACTF, Region 6. Produce ten minute play festival each semester for the Honors Section of THE 1310 to benefit local food pantries