# Kirin McCrory

#### Summary

Award-winning multidisciplinary creative professional and theatre practitioner with 15+ years' experience in medical copywriting, playwriting, video editing, literary management, education, dramaturgy, acting, and fight choreography. Methodical and compassionate theatre and writing professor. Multi-genre writing consultant hailed as a "dynamic writing teacher and peerless provider of insightful feedback and constructive critique."

#### Education

University of California, Riverside - MFA - 2015-2017

Creative Writing and Writing for the Performing Arts, emphasis in Playwriting

Emerson College, Boston, MA - BA - 2007-2011

Theatre Studies, emphases in Performance and Playwriting

#### **Teaching Experience**

### Adjunct Professor, Mt. San Antonio College, Walnut, CA - 2017-2021

Playwriting; History of the Theatre; Principles of Acting I; Introduction to Theatre Arts; Director - Annual Student Shows

Adjunct Professor, UC Riverside – 2017

Introduction to Playwriting and Screenwriting

Teaching Assistant, UC Riverside - 2015-2017

Public Speaking; Professional Development for Environmental Scientists (writing course); Hip Hop Theatre; The Graphic Novel

Teaching Assistant, Harvard ART Institute, Cambridge, MA – 2011

Hand-to-Hand Combat

Teaching Assistant, Emerson College, Boston, MA - 2010-2011

Advanced Stage Combat

#### Theatre Experience

## Literary Manager, Vanguard Repertory Company, Atlanta, GA – 2014-2019

Organize, read, and select submissions for writing retreats, residencies, and productions. Execute reading series and new play festivals. Perform dramaturgical duties for all new works. One of 5 unpaid staff responsible for every aspect of proposal, process, and production. Provide necessary support across production, stage management, design, marketing, etc.

#### NPP Vice Chair, Kennedy Center ACTF, Region VIII - 2019-2021

Organize student play submissions for region VIII, read student play submissions for sister regions, identify and create playwriting awards that highlight diversity, organize festival readings and other programming. Collaborate with entire regional team to select invited shows, propose workshops, etc. Serve on the executive board responsible for all regional management decisions.

Dramaturg, Native Voices at the Autry, Los Angeles, CA – 2016

Production Dramaturg for the world premiere of *They Don't Talk Back*. Responsible for assisting playwright in rewrites, leading cast and directorial discussions, compiling research documents, and organizing and leading two public post-show discussions.

#### Literary Assistant, Endstation Theatre, Amherst, VA – 2011-2015

Responsible for reading and selecting new works/playwrights, leading daily roundtable discussions, organizing and leading a series of public readings and talkbacks.

#### Workshops

# "Working for the Play: Confronting Personal Biases in Criticism," KCACTF Region VIII Festival 52 – February 13, 2020

80-minute workshop on responding to new work by marginalized writers as a white literary manager and dramaturg, with an emphasis on interrogating white defensiveness and centering the playwright in feedback and criticism.

# "Storytelling and New Technology," Skirball Cultural Center, CA – 2014-2015

Hour-long workshop for Los Angeles elementary school children combining clear storytelling practices with new media platforms (e.g. Vine).

#### Stages on the Sound's Arts Residency Program, New York, NY - 2013-2014

Two 4-month teaching residencies in NYC Parochial schools, teaching Shakespeare, text analysis, performance techniques, and storytelling methods to diverse classes of elementary and middle school students.

#### "Basics of Playwriting," Matignon High School, Somerville, MA – 2012

2-hour workshop reviewing the basic principles of playwriting and writing and presenting prompt-based 1-page scenes.

#### Other Work Experience

### Writing Consultant — 2016-present

Freelance and UCR Graduate Writing Center, multi-genre.

#### Group Copy Supervisor — 2024-present

For EVERSANA INTOUCH PROTO, a medical communications agency.

#### Freelance video editor — 2021-present

Narrative, documentary, and social content for Major League Baseball, Mt San Antonio Community College, VanguardRep, and DIVERGENCY911 on YouTube.

#### Playwriting

#### CHOPS, full-length, 4 productions

The NOLA Project, New Orleans, July 2014 Edinburgh Collegiate Fringe Festival, August 2013 Matignon High School, Somerville, MA, December 2012 EmStage, Emerson College, March 2011

### Counter/Top, full-length, 2 productions

MadLab Theatre, Columbus, OH, August 2017

Endstation Theatre, VA, July 2015 commissioned by Endstation and developed 2012-2014

Weak Nerves, full-length

ROSETTA reading series, Atlanta, January 2018

Tied to the Mast, one-act

UCR's New Work Festival, May 2016

Bret Parker Renounces All Fear, full-length

TrueFalse Theatre reading series, NYC, January 2013

The Patron Saint of Lightbulbs, full-length

Endstation Theatre reading series, August 2012

Various historical monologues, Candlelight Cemetery Tours, VA

Commissioned playwright, 2015-present

Devised Works Persephone's Watch, developed with VanguardRep

Skirball Cultural Center, LA, Nov 2014 & Dec 2015

BIG SIR, developed with American Laboratory

Greene Exhibitions, LA, June 2014 FiveMyles Gallery, Brooklyn, May 2014

TOUCH ME IN KANSAS, developed with American Laboratory

Soapbox Gallery, Brooklyn, April 2013

ROCKPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY, developed with American Laboratory

168 Powers, Brooklyn, April 2012

If [or When] the Roof Falls In, developed with Rescue Agreement

CAP21, NYC, June 2013 440 Studios, NYC, June 2012

Electric Eden, developed with Rescue Agreement

Norwood Club, NYC, November 2011

TV/Film Writing Scripts/samples upon request

Awards & Recognitions Outstanding Employee, BGB — 2022

Best Editing & Video Design, Kennedy Center ACTF — 2022

Best Projections, Suzi Bass Awards — 2019

Finalist for the Humanitas PLAY LA Workshop, Fall 2017

Regional Commissioned Playwright, Endstation Theatre, Virginia, July 2015

Playwright-in-residence, Endstation Theatre, Virginia, 2011-2014 Polygraph Test Residency, TrueFalse Theatre, NYC, 2013 Nicole du Fresne scholarship, Emerson College, 2011 Rod Parker Playwriting Fellowship, Emerson College, 2010

#### **Acting Highlights**

Rachel, Persephone's Watch

Charlotte, If [or When] the Roof Falls In

Marguerite, Electric Eden

lago, Othello

Stepdaughter, Six Characters in Search of an Author

Sarah Siddons, The Actor's Nightmare (dir. Maureen Shea)

Hermia, A Midsummer Night's Dream

Viola, Twelfth Night

#### Fight Choreography

Previously certified in Unarmed Combat and Rapier & Dagger. Additional training in quarterstaff, broadsword, knife, blunt object, and alternative and found object weaponry. Highly skilled in narrative-based choreography. Training with J. Allen Sudduth, Bob Walsh, and Ted Hewlett.

BYIUIOO, the musical, Pipeline Theatre Company, NYC

Tango, Frisson Theatre Company, NYC

Food and Fadwa, NYTW, NYC

Midsummer..., THE HIVE, NYC

Damaged, Columbia University, NYC

Deep Are the Roots, Metropolitan Playhouse, NYC

Fuddy Meers, University of Scranton, PA

From Rags to Riches, Metropolitan Playhouse, NYC

Hot Grog, a pirate musical, Phillips Academy HS, MA

BYIUIOO, the musical, Pipeline Theatre Company, NYC

No Parking, Boston Theatre Marathon, MA

Ash Girl, Lincoln-Sudbury HS, MA