



Warren W. Baumgart Jr.
 105B Edgefield Plains, #09-01
 Singapore 822105
 HP: (65) 9242-7808
 EMAIL: warren@wbjr.com
 WEBSITE: www.wbjr.com
 LINKEDIN PROFILE: sg.linkedin.com/in/wwbjr

During my career as a theatre artist I have held a number of leadership positions in nonprofit arts management. Along with directing plays, I have led numerous theater companies, arts councils, galleries, public art projects, and managed a performing arts center. I have been a mentor for nonprofit business leadership in the arts, and I have taught basic core principles in arts business start-up and management. I have a keen eye for detail and excellent arts business management skills. My academic career has included teaching acting, directing and play writing. Creativity is my passion. I have found creativity and imagination to be the most powerful tools in my life. I relish the opportunity to inspire creativity and imagination in the workplace as well as the classroom. Whether academic or corporate, I bring to my job an innovative spirit, strong leadership and management skills, and a personal commitment to collaboration and teamwork.

Professional Experience and Skills

Artistic and Administrative

- Creative Director – Swing A Cat Pte Ltd, Singapore 2014-present
 Design and implement all programs utilizing creativity and theatre arts as a tool in corporate training and business innovation.
 Design and direct theatre projects that engage children, youth and adult professionals.
- Executive Director – Southern Indiana Center for the Arts, Seymour, IN USA 2011-2013
 As the chief executive officer, manage and supervise all functions of a regional art center and gallery which provides art exhibits, events and classes for a four-county region of southern Indiana.
- Executive Director – Columbus Area Arts Council, Columbus, IN USA 2003-2011
 As the chief executive officer, manage and supervise all functions of a city agency which provides arts resources and opportunities for the citizens of the Columbus, Indiana, metropolitan area.
- Artistic Director – City Lights Youth Theatre, Inc., New York City, NY USA 2001-2003
 Managed and supervised all creative and educational projects of a youth theatre company as part of the executive team.
- Grant Manager/Director of Professional Development – Seba Dalkai School, Navajo Nation, AZ USA 2000-2001
 Managed and facilitated all activities related to the *Creative Learning Communities Project* as part of the Disney Learning Partnership.
- Executive/Artistic Director – Imagination Theater, Inc., Chicago, IL USA 1987-1997
 Managed and supervised all functions of a professional touring educational theater company as the chief executive officer.

University Teaching

- Indiana University/Purdue University Columbus, Columbus, IN USA – Adjunct Professor, Division of Education 2007-present *
- Ivy Tech Community College, Columbus, IN USA – Adjunct Professor, Department of Liberal Arts and Humanities 2009-2013*
- Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ USA – Teaching Associate 1998-2000*
**student evaluation summaries available upon request*

Additional Professional Experience

- Professional Director 1984 to present
 Directing career includes world premieres, multi-character solo performances, original experimental work, and a repertoire of over 20 plays as the Artistic Director of Imagination Theater, Chicago, IL USA.
- Elementary and High School Teaching 1973 to 2013
 Teaching career includes schools in both the United States and overseas and work in broadly diverse cultures which included:
- International School of Columbus (IN), USA – Adjunct Theater Arts Teacher 2010-2012
 - Seba Dalkai Charter High School, Navajo Nation, AZ USA – Acting Principal 2001
 - Hillcrest International School in Jos, Nigeria 1977-1980
 - Wayne Township Elementary School, Columbus, IN USA 1976-1977
 - Seibo Gakkuen High School in Hanno City, Japan 1973-1976
 - St. John's Lutheran School, Glendale, NY USA 1971-1972
- Teaching certification for K-8 in the USA: the State of Illinois, the State of Arizona, the State of Indiana, and candidate for certification in the State of New York

Professional Development Specialist and Corporate Trainer	1987 to present
Design and facilitate workshops, in-service trainings, mentoring programs and professional retreats for corporate executives, teachers, actors, social workers, and healthcare workers using performing arts, improvisation, computer technology and multimedia to inspire creativity, to increase professional skills, to explore issues, and to encourage innovation and self-expression.	
Young Playwrights Festival Internship – Playwrights Project, San Diego, CA USA	1999
Assisted with the functions and events of a theatre company that produces the work of young playwrights.	
Creative Drama Residency – Saint Michael's Mission School, Pima Reservation, AZ USA	1998
Worked with 5 th through 8 th grade children from the Pima Tribe on the <i>Untold Stories Project</i> as part of American Festivals.	
Associate Administrative Director – Arizona Association for Arts in Education, Phoenix, AZ USA	1998-1999
Assisted with the administrative duties of a nonprofit arts-in-education advocacy organization.	
Webmaster – Department of Theatre website and the <i>Introduction to the Theatre</i> website	1998, 1999, 2000
Designed, published and maintained all pages of the website for the Department of Theatre at ASU and a website that was used as a tool for distance learning for the THE-100 course at ASU.	

Education

Master of Fine Arts – Theatre, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ USA	2000
Bachelor of Arts – Elementary Education: Art Ed, Concordia University, River Forest, IL USA	1973
Lean Six Sigma Yellow Belt – Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana, USA	2009
Distance Education Certification – Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana, USA	2011

Honors, Awards and Scholarships

Outstanding Graduate Student – for Achievement in Promoting Diversity in Theatre Arizona State University, College of Fine Arts, Department of Theatre	2000
Graduate College Travel Grant Arizona State University	2000
Rita Criste Fellow in Theatre Arizona State University, College of Fine Arts, Department of Theatre	1998 and 1999
Department of Theatre Non-Resident Scholarship Arizona State University	1997, 1998 and 1999
Nominated for Zoni Award for Best Production of a New Work (<i>annual, state-wide, professional theatre awards</i>) Phoenix, AZ USA	1999
President's Award for Innovation Arizona State University	1998
Nominated for Scottie Award for Best Direction Arizona State University, Department of Theatre	1998
Joseph Jefferson Citation for Best Directing (<i>annual, city-wide, professional theatre awards</i>) Chicago, IL USA	1989

Professional Affiliations

American Alliance for Theatre and Education (USA)
 American Association of Singapore (Singapore)
 Americans for the Arts (USA)
 Rotary Club International – Columbus, Indiana Chapter (USA)
 Rotary Club International – Greater Seymour, Indiana Chapter (USA)

Presentations

<i>Public Art in Columbus</i> Columbus Area Visitors Center Tour Guide Training	2008-2011
<i>Designing an Affordable Public Sculpture Exhibition</i> Public Art Symposium, Art Alliance of Brown County	2010
<i>Creating the Right Festival for Your Community</i> Indiana State Festivals Association	2007

<i>Directing Youth – A Directing Practicum Workshop</i> American Alliance for Theatre and Education/The Association for Theatre in Higher Education Annual Conference, New York, NY	2003
<i>Where Are The Plays For Young Actors? Here Are Some</i> American Alliance for Theatre and Education/The Association for Theatre in Higher Education Annual Conference, New York, NY	2003
<i>One Girl Drummer – A Performance of a New Commissioned Work by City Lights Youth Theatre</i> American Alliance for Theatre and Education/The Association for Theatre in Higher Education Annual Conference, New York, NY	2003
<i>Is It Art or Therapy? Theatre Used With Children To Respond To the Events Of 9/11</i> American Alliance for Theatre and Education Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN	2002
<i>Who Is Writing For Young Actors?</i> American Alliance for Theatre and Education Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN	2002
<i>Changing the Script: What You Can and Can Not Do – An Update for 2000</i> American Alliance for Theatre and Education Annual Conference, Washington D.C	2000
<i>Changing the Script: What You Can and Can Not Do</i> American Alliance for Theatre and Education Annual Conference, Chicago, IL	1999
<i>Directing the Young Actor: Creating an Environment for Skill Acquisition</i> American Alliance for Theatre and Education Annual Conference, Denver, CO	1998
<i>Using Creative Drama to Explore Gender and Sexual Issues with Middle School Students</i> American Alliance for Theatre and Education Annual Conference, Denver, CO	1998

Other Accomplishments

Designed and produced the <i>Out Side Film Festival</i> , the first annual LGBT film festival in Columbus, IN	2010-2012
Designed the first annual statewide young playwrights competition and festival in Arizona.....	1999-2000
Held the publicly elected position of Community Representative on the Local School Council of Courtenay Elementary School, a Chicago Public School	1992-1997
The Local School Council is the local governing branch of the Board of Education and plays a critical role in the operation of the school.	
Was the first male director permitted to direct an entry in the Women's Theater Alliance <i>1994 New Plays Festival</i> , Chicago, IL	1994
Founded StageWorks, a performing arts cooperative, in Chicago, IL	1985

Service

Volunteer Assistant to the Director, High School Play – Canadian International School, Singapore	2013-present
Mayor's Advisory Committee for the Seymour Indiana Community Branding Project.....	2012-2013
Promotion and Events Committee – Seymour Downtown Main Street, Seymour, IN	2011-2013
Community Advisory Council – International School of Columbus, Columbus, IN	2009-2012
Board of Directors – Pride Alliance of Columbus Indiana, Inc. (founding board member).....	2011-2013
Board of Directors – Columbus Area Visitors Center, Columbus, IN (President)	2003-2011
Board of Directors – Kidscommons Children's Museum, Columbus, IN.....	2004-2011
Board of Directors – Senior Center Services, Columbus, IN	2004-2011
Crisis intervention counselor for runaway teenagers – Lutheran Social Services, Chicago, IL	1987-1989
Eight years as a volunteer for a community health clinic in Chicago, IL.....	1982-1990
Work included patient screening, health education, AIDS prevention education, AIDS crisis activism	
Tokyo English Life Line volunteer – telephone crisis hotline counselor for English speaking residents of Tokyo, Japan	1973-1976