

Andrew S. Park · Stage Director

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Current Positions

The John G. Shedd Aquarium (Chicago, IL)	Artistic Director	2007-present
Quest Theatre Ensemble (Chicago, IL)	Founding Artistic Director	2002-present

Past Positions

International Special Attractions (Shanghai, China)	Artistic Director of <i>Cirque Shanghai</i>	2006-2008
The Puppet & Drum Festival (Chicago, IL)	Artistic Director	2005-2006
Lollapalooza/Capital Entertainment/Quest Theatre (Chicago, IL)	Artistic Director of Opening Spectacle	2005
National Day of Puppetry Festival (Chicago, IL)	Artistic Director	2004-2005
The Showboat Becky Thatcher Theater (Marietta, OH)	Artistic Director	1998-2000

International Stage

Blue Nativity	European Tour	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2007
Bai Xi	Harbin, China	International Special Attractions	2007
Cirque Shanghai	Harbin, China	International Special Attractions	2006

Circus, Live Animal & Spectacle Shows

One World: Make a Difference	Chicago, IL	Abbott Oceanarium Theater	2013-present
Holiday Fantasea	Chicago, IL	Abbott Oceanarium Theater	2010-2013
Fantasea	Chicago, IL	Abbott Oceanarium Theater	2009
Pet Training the Shedd Way	Chicago, IL	Phelps Auditorium	2008
Bai Xi	Chicago, IL	Pepsi Skyline Stage at Navy Pier	2007
Bai Xi	Atlantic City, NJ	Tropicano Casino	2007
Cirque Shanghai	Chicago, IL	Pepsi Skyline Stage at Navy Pier	2006
Lollapalooza Opening Spectacle	Chicago, IL	Lollapalooza/Capital Entertainment	2005

Regional

Return of Neverland*	Chicago, IL	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2014
A Christmas Wish*	Chicago, IL	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2013
Failure: A Love Story	Bloomington, IL	Illinois Shakespeare Festival	2013
Passion Play	Chicago, IL	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2013
Barnum	Chicago, IL	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2012
Enter Love	Chicago, IL	Red Boat Productions	2011
The People's Four Seasons	Chicago, IL	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2011
Drum Circle Pandora	Chicago, IL	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2010
Evolution/Creation**	Chicago, IL	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2010
Into the Woods	Chicago, IL	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2009
Little Shop of Horrors	Chicago, IL	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2008
The People's History of the US*	Chicago, IL	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2008
Circus Crashers	Evanston, IL	The Actor's Gymnasium	2006
The People's Pinocchio	Chicago, IL	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2006
The Wizard of Oz	Chicago, IL	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2005
Ghost Pirates of the Lake	Chicago, IL	Mayor's Office of Special Events	2004

Abraham's Calling	Chicago, IL	TriArts Incorporated	2004
Seashore*	Chicago, IL	TriArts, Incorporated	2003
Hansel & Gretel	Chicago, IL	Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs	2003
The Phantom Bride	Chicago, IL	Around the Coyote Arts Festival	2003
Gay Black Woman	Chicago, IL	TriArts, Inc	2002
The Fantasticks	Marietta, OH	Showboat Becky Thatcher Theater	2000
Barry Manilow's The Drunkard	Marietta, OH	Showboat Becky Thatcher Theater	2000
Zorro: The Musical	Marietta, OH	Showboat Becky Thatcher Theater	2000
Red, White & Becky: A Music Revue	Marietta, OH	Showboat Becky Thatcher Theater	2000
The Cat's Pajamas	Marietta, OH	Showboat Becky Thatcher Theater	1999
Males Order Brides	Marietta, OH	Showboat Becky Thatcher Theater	1999
Touchtone 'M' for Murder	Marietta, OH	Showboat Becky Thatcher Theater	1999
A Cowhand's Christmas Carol	Marietta, OH	Showboat Becky Thatcher Theater	1998
Mischief in the Magnolias	Marietta, OH	Showboat Becky Thatcher Theater	1998

Original Plays/Musicals

A Christmas Wish*	Book writer, lyricist	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2013
The People's Passion Play	Book writer, lyricist	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2013
One World	Book writer, lyricist	John G. Shedd Aquarium	2013
Return of Neverland	Book writer, lyricist	Crossroads Repertory Theater	2012
History of the United States	Playwright	Indiana State University	2012
The People's Four Seasons	Book writer, Lyricist	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2011
Evolution/Creation**	Book writer, lyricist	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2010
Drum Circle Pandora	Book writer, Lyricist	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2010
The People's History of the US*	Playwright	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2008
Sword in the Stone	Book writer, lyricist	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2006
Abraham's Calling	Playwright	TriArts, Inc	2003
Seashore*	Playwright	TriArts, Inc	2002
Blue Nativity	Playwright	Quest Theatre Ensemble	2002-present

*Nominated by The Jeff Awards

**Jeff Award Winning production. Nominated for "Best Musical," "Best New Work," "Best Director" and "Puppetry" by the Jeff Awards

Speaking & Teaching Engagements

- Association of Zoos and Aquariums, Collaborative Thinking Session presenter: *In the Spotlight: Theatre Programming, What does it take?* AZA Mid-Year Conference, Memphis, TN.
- Illinois Shakespeare Festival acting intern class, guest lecturer: *How to Start a Theater Company*. September, 2013.
- Northeastern Illinois University, guest lecturer: *The Power of Free Theatre*. Chicago, IL. January, 2013.
- International Museum Theater Alliance, Session presenter: *Everything you need to know about directing actors you can learn from a dolphin*, Regional IMTAL Conference, The Atlantic History Center, Atlanta, GA. August, 2012.
- Indiana State University, Master class: *The People's History, A theater of Parades, Protests and Politics*, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN. Spring Semester, 2012.
- International Museum Theater Alliance, session: *Institutional Support, Funding and Partnerships...how to navigate the bottom line*, IMTAL Conference, Indianapolis Children's Museum, Indianapolis, IN. September, 2011.

Speaking & Teaching Engagements, cont.

- Association of Zoos and Aquariums, session: *Storytelling in Zoos and Aquariums, with education and budget in mind!*, AZA Annual Conference, Houston, Texas. September, 2010.
- The Arts Club of Chicago, guest lecturer: *The Making of Fantasea: a multi species aquatic show*. Monthly Master's Series, Chicago, IL. September, 2009.

Education

Master of Fine Arts, Directing & Dramaturgy, Chicago College of Performing Arts at Roosevelt University, May 2004

Certificate of Nonprofit Management, Roosevelt University, May 2002

Bread & Puppet Theater, Professional internship with Peter Schumann, Glover Vermont, Summer 2001

Bachelors of Arts, Theatre, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN, May 2000

Bachelors of Science, English, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN, May 2000

References

Please note: References, Reviews, production photos, video and publications available upon request