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PROFESSIONAL THEATRE

- **XY (book, music & lyrics)** **The Other Palace, London**
Aug 2017. Public staged reading produced by Aria Entertainment's "From Page to Stage" Festival.
- **Held Momentarily (book, music & lyrics)** **NYC Fringe/SoHo Playhouse/NYMF**
Extended run at the 2014 NY International Fringe Festival; 2014 Off-Broadway Fringe 'Encore' Series at the SoHo Playhouse; extended run at the 2015 New York Musical Festival (NYMF).
- **The Seagull (music & lyrics)** **On The Verge Theatre Festival, Scotland**
April 2014. Adaptation of Anton Chekhov's *The Seagull*.
- **NYC/LA Cabaret Circuit (music & lyrics)**
Songs performed at the Kennedy Center, 54 Below, Catalina Jazz Club, etc.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- **ASCAP Musical Theatre Workshop** May 2017
Moderated by Stephen Schwartz. (For XY)
- **ASCAP on the Kennedy Center Stage** Nov 2017
- **Johnny Mercer Songwriters Project** June 2017
- **William Finn's "Ridiculously Talented" Showcase** Aug 2014
At Barrington Stage and "Best Of" Series at 54 Below.
- **Musical Theatre Factory (MTF) Writers Group** Sept 2016 - ongoing
Developing XY.
- **Jeanine Tesori Master Class at City Center** Jan 2017
One of two composers selected to work with Jeanine Tesori.

TRAINING

- **Dramatists Guild Fellows Program** **Current**
- **BMI Advanced Musical Theatre Workshop** **Current**
- **William E. Macaulay Honors College, NY - BA in music** **2011-2015**
Independent study in composition with Richard Burke
- **NYU Tisch Graduate Musical Theatre Writing Summer Program** **2013**
- **LaGuardia High School for the Performing Arts** **2008-2011**
- **The Public Theatre, Summer Intern** **2009-2010**

HONORS

- **New Musicals Inc (NMI) New Voices Project Winner** **2017**
- **Festival of New American Musicals (FNAM) ShowSearch Finalist** **2013**
- **Franklin Keller Award in Recognition of Talent, LaGuardia HS** **2011**

PRESS

"Talented composer" - *The New York Times*
"Incredibly talented and promising" - *The Villager*