

DAN BRAY

playwright | director | performer | dramaturg | educator | artistic director

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EDUCATION

Master of Arts, *Drama*

Bachelor of Arts, *English, Early Modern Studies* (First Class Honours Degree)

University of Toronto, Graduate Centre for Study of Drama

Dalhousie University

WRITING credits (select)

SHOW

*The Jackson Elementary Grade 6 Drama Club presents:
BLOOD AND SNOW: THE DONNER PARTY'S FATAL FORAY
INTO THE SIERRA NEVADA WILDERNESS**

*Deepwater **

Beauty and the Beast

*Tragedy **

Humanish: Live (with Justin Gregg)

Ballad of the Bus Stop

Ekphrasis Project 4, 3, & 1

*Christmas Carol: Revenge of Tiny Tim **

Madsummer

*Knight of the Bat (1-3) **

*International Waters **

Dinostories (with Noella Murphy) *

Shakespeare's Time Machine

Hänsel und Gretel in: der Garten von

*Edible Horrors: a Terrible Parable **

*Observatory Mansions**

*Zomblet **

Fox (with Colleen A MacIsaac)

Herbie Dragons (with Kevin Hartford)

Tyrant

Return to Baker St (with Jacob Sampson) *

Borghild

*Arden **

*Wake Up, Rosie! **

*Criminal Negligee **

Vanishing Twins

DIRECTOR

Dan Bray

Burgandy Code

Jesse MacLean

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Dorian Lang

Dan Bray & Noella Murphy

Dan Bray & Rebecca Wolfe

Dan Bray

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Dan Bray

Kathryn McCormack

Kathryn McCormack

Dan Bray

Andrew Chandler

Dorian Lang

Dan Bray

Rebecca Currie

Steph Kincade

Dan Bray

COMPANY

Villains Theatre/Toronto Fringe Festival

Neptune Theatre / Villains Theatre
Shakespeare by the Sea (*upcoming*)

Villains Theatre

Justin Gregg Productions

Bus Stop Theatre Cooperative

Mulgrave Road Theatre

Villains Theatre

Villains Theatre

Villains Theatre

Halifax Fringe

Festival Antigonish/Villains Theatre

Villains Theatre

Villains Theatre

Villains Theatre

Villains Theatre

Villains Theatre

Villains Theatre

Halifax Fringe

Villains Theatre

Halifax Fringe

Villains Theatre

Lions Den Theatre

Taboo Theatre

Halifax Fringe

DIRECTING credits (select)

SHOW

Jackson Elementary...

*Gwenyth Kills her Husband **

Mr Burns: a post electric play

New in Town

Faithful Johannes

Madsummer

Knight of the Bat (1-3)

Shakespeare's Time Machine

Hänsel und Gretel

The Earth Savers (50 Things)

Observatory Mansions

*Zomblet **

M: the Berlin Murders

Nothing Less!

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Arden

Happy Birthday, Wanda June!

Antony & Cleopatra

A Tournament of Lies

The Duchess of Malfi

With Colleen Arcturus MacIsaac

With Laura Teasdale

With Rebecca Wolfe

Assistant Director (Dir. Ken Schwartz)

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Assistant Director (Dir. Elizabeth Murphy)

COMPANY

Villains Theatre

Villains Theatre/Around+Out Theatre.

Fountain School of Performing Arts

Arts Health Antigonish

Theatre Antigonish

Villains Theatre

Villains Theatre

Villains Theatre

Villains Theatre

ZUPPA

Villains Theatre

Villains Theatre

Villains Theatre

Two Planks & A Passion Theatre

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Villains Theatre

Lions Den Theatre

Shakespeare by the Sea

Misery Loves Theatre Company

Villains Theatre

ACTING credits (select)

SHOW

Unrehearsed Comedy of Errors
The Y Files
Christmas Carol: Revenge of Tiny Tim
The Crevice (seasons 1&2)
*Rain on the Parade **
Dinostories
Shakespeare's Time Machine
Cyrano
*Murder on the Orient Express **
Shadows in the Cove (workshop)
Leaving Home (workshop)
Life on Flat Earth
Fox
Twelfth Night
Alice in Wonderland
Unrehearsed Dream
Herbie Dragons
The Blazing World
Return to Baker Street
*I, the Greatest **
Tales of the Old North
War of the Worlds
Seasons
Blood and Quicksilver
*Pinocchio **
As You Like It
Orlando
Follow Me
Reefer Madness
All Of Our Fathers
Antony & Cleopatra
The Madonna Painter
Arsenic and Old Lace
The Underpants

DIRECTOR / COMPANY

Shakespeare by the Sea
Tara Thorne / Halifax Fringe
Dan Bray / Villains Theatre
Meg Hubley / Phyllis Rising Productions
Evan Brown / Villains Theatre
Festival Antigoneish / Villains Theatre
Dan Bray & Rebecca Wolfe / Villains Theatre
Jack Rennie / Lakeside Players
Wally MacKinnon / Theatre Antigoneish
Diane Roberts / Mulgrave Road
Jake Planinc / Matchstick Theatre (Stages)
Jessica Oliver / Terra Novella Theatre
Kathryn McCormack / Villains Theatre
Jesse MacLean / Shakespeare by the Sea
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Kathryn McCormack / Halifax Fringe
Ryenne Chisholm / Villains Theatre
Andrew Chandler / Halifax Fringe
Kevin Hartford / Halifax Fringe
Claire Legere / Xara Choral Theatre
Jeremy Webb / Eastern Front Theatre
Michael Lake / Workshirt Opera
Michael McPhee / Halifax Fringe
Jesse MacLean / Shakespeare by the Sea
Elizabeth Murphy / Shakespeare by the Sea
Michael Lake / Workshirt Opera
Daniel Gervais / Villains Theatre
Keith Morrison / Lions Den Theatre
Keelin Jack / Misery Loves (Theatre) Co.
Elizabeth Murphy / Shakespeare by the Sea
Luciana Fernandes / Taboo Theatre
Keith Morrison / Lions Den Theatre
Christine Daniels / Lions Den Theatre

ROLE

Ageon
 Agent Dully
 Ebenezer Scrooge
 Henry
 Elsworth/Gorman Roach
 Professor Glasses
 William Shakespeare
 Compte De Guiche
 Hercule Poirot
 Dr Henry Inch
 Harold
 David
 Corvino
 Malvolio
 March Hare
 Nick Bottom
 Jacques Hughes
 Stonefly/Chorus
 Sherlock Holmes
 Dan Bray
 Lutin
 Ensemble
 Dan
 Uksvar
 The Cat
 Silvius, *dramaturge*
 Archduchess/Archduke
 Gunter Buxtehude
 Bill Harper
 Jasper
 Lepidus, *dramaturge*
 Young Priest
 Dr Einstein
 Cohen

AWARDS/NOMINATIONS*

SHOW

Jackson Elementary...
 Deepwater
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 Tragedy
 Gwenyth Kills Her Husband
 Rain on the Parade
 International Waters
 Shakespeare's Time Machine
 Dinostories
 Hänsel und Gretel
 Observatory Mansions
 Hänsel und Gretel
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 Murder on the Orient Express
 Zomblet
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COMPANY

Toronto Fringe Festival
Villains Theatre
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Theatre Antigonish
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Halifax Fringe
Halifax Fringe
Shakespeare by the Sea
Villains Theatre
Villains Theatre
Halifax Fringe

AWARD

24 Hour Playwriting Contest: Winner
Playwrights Guild of Canada Drama Award Drama Award: Winner
Risk Theatre Modern Tragedy Competition (International): Semifinalist
Merritt Award Winner: Outstanding New Play by a NS Playwright;
Outstanding Independent Production: Winner
Jenny Munday Atlantic Canadian Play Award: 1st Runner-Up
Halifax Fringe Festival Artist Choice: Outstanding Comedy
Halifax Fringe Festival Audience Choice: Outstanding Comedy, Best NS Show
Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Actor in a Supporting Role
Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding New Play by a NS Playwright
Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Projection Design
East Coast Music Award Nominee: Children's Entertainer of the Year
Merritt Award Winner: Outstanding Adaptation by a NS Playwright
Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Adaptation by a NS Playwright
Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Original Score
Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Indie Production
Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Ensemble
Theatre Antigonish Award Winner: Best Performance
Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding New Play by a NS Playwright
Halifax Fringe Winner: Best New Play, Best Comedy, Fringe Hit
Halifax Fringe Winner: Best Ensemble
Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Actor in a Leading Role
Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding New Play by a NS Playwright
Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Production by an Emerging Company
Halifax Fringe Winner: Best Family Show
Halifax Fringe Winner: Best Playwright

REVIVALS:

- * *Dinostories* is scheduled for production by Theatre New Brunswick; Fredericton, NB; dir. Natasha MacLellan, 2027.
- * *A Christmas Carol* is scheduled for production by Western Edge Theatre; Nanaimo, BC; dir. William Anderson.
- * *Deepwater* is scheduled for production by Neptune Theatre; Halifax, NS; dir. Burgandy Code, 2026.
- * *Playhouse of Horror* is scheduled for production by TRU Actors Workshop; Kamloops, BC; dir. Catriona Leger, 2026.
- * *Zomblet* was produced by Marshlight Theatre; Sackville, NB; dir. Paul Griffin, 2026.
- * *The Return to Baker Street* was produced by Citadel High School; Halifax, NS; dir. Alex Shiao/Scarlett Reynolds, 2026.
- * *Zomblet* was produced by Theatre Antigonish; Antigonish, NS; dir. Dan Bray, 2025.
- * *A Christmas Carol* was produced by TRU Actors Workshop; Kamloops, BC; dir. Catriona Leger, 2025.
- * *Hänsel und Gretel* was produced by Brookwood Secondary School; Langley, BC; dir. Sheri Eyre, 2024.
- * *Knight of the Bat* was produced by Western Edge Theatre; Nanaimo, BC; dir. Jonathan Greenway, 2023.
- * *Zomblet* was produced by Ingersoll District Collegiate Institute; Ingersoll, ON; dir. Ewan MacKintosh, 2021.

RELATED WORK (select)

Artistic Director: Villains Theatre (2009-present)
Co-Host/Co-Producer: Robert Merritt Awards, Theatre Nova Scotia (2023-present)
Dramaturg/Playwriting Mentor: *Rumour Has It*, Hants East Rural High School, dir. Holly Beeler-Tattrie (PERFORM!), (2025)
Juror: Montreal Fringe Festival's Frankie Awards (Outstanding English Play) (2026)
Presenter: Arts and Humanities Big Thinking Summit, Edmonton (2026)
Adjudicator, Panelist: Dramafest (2025)
Pitcher: PACT Conference (2025)
Convenor: Membership & Engagement Committee, Bus Stop Theatre Cooperative Board of Directors (2025-present)
Instructor: "Playwriting," "Shakespearean + the Modern Monologue," The Villains Theatre (2025-2026)
Instructor: "Playwriting 101," Dramafest (2021)
Dramaturg: *Dead Man Walking*, Anomaly Theatre Co (2025).
Logo Designer: The Understudies Improv (2024)
Panelist: Playwrights Guild of Canada's *Craft Bites International* (2024)
Instructor: "Playwriting," "Shakespearean Performance," Theatre Antigonish (2023)
Graphic Designer: Ship's Company Theatre (2025)
Festival Coordinator, Antigonight: Art at Night Festival (2021)
Panelist: Playwrights Guild of Canada & Calgary Fringe (2023)
Screenwriter, nine commercials: Theatre Nova Scotia "Summer Theatre Virtual Campaign" (2023)
Logo Designer: Arts Vision Antigonish (2023)
Graphic Designer: Festival Antigonish Summer Theatre (2023)
Copywriter/Editor for Theatre Nova Scotia website (2023)
Outreach & Development Coordinator, Live Art Dance Productions (2017-2019)
Graphic Artist for Halifax Fringe Festival programme guide (2023)

TRAINING AND MEMBERSHIPS

Member of Playwrights Guild of Canada
Member of Playwright Atlantic Resource Centre
Playwright Atlantic Resource Centre Retreat Participant; 2020, 2022, 2026
Eastern Front Theatre Playwright's Unit Member; 2017
Halifax Fringe Festival Vice Chair; 2017-2020
"Anti-Racist Theatre Workshop," Nicole Brewer; 2020
"Blanket Exercise and Cultural Competency Training," Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Centre; 2018