

DAN BRAY

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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

Dan Bray

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)

ROLE

<i>Unrehearsed Comedy of Errors</i>	Shakespeare by the Sea	Ageon
<i>The Y Files</i>	Tara Thorne / Halifax Fringe	Agent Dully
<i>Christmas Carol: Revenge of Tiny Tim</i>	Dan Bray / Villains Theatre	Ebenezer Scrooge
<i>The Crevise</i> (seasons 1&2)	Meg Hubley / Phyllis Rising Productions	Henry
<i>Rain on the Parade</i> *	Evan Brown / Villains Theatre	Elsworth/Gorman Roach
<i>Dinostories</i>	Festival Antagonish / Villains Theatre	Professor Glasses
<i>Shakespeare's Time Machine</i>	Dan Bray & Rebecca Wolfe / Villains Theatre	William Shakespeare
<i>Cyrano</i>	Jack Rennie / Lakeside Players	Compte De Guiche
<i>Murder on the Orient Express</i> *	Wally MacKinnon / Theatre Antagonish	Hercule Poirot
<i>Shadows in the Cave</i> (workshop)	Diane Roberts / Mulgrave Road	Dr Henry Inch
<i>Leaving Home</i> (workshop)	Jake Planinc / Matchstick Theatre (Stages)	Harold
<i>Life on Flat Earth</i>	Jessica Oliver / Terra Novella Theatre	David
<i>Fox</i>	Kathryn McCormack / Villains Theatre	Corvino
<i>Twelfth Night</i>	Jesse MacLean / Shakespeare by the Sea	Malvolio
<i>Alice in Wonderland</i>	Jesse MacLean / Shakespeare by the Sea	March Hare
<i>Unrehearsed Dream</i>	Shakespeare by the Sea	Nick Bottom
<i>Herbie Dragons</i>	Kathryn McCormack / Halifax Fringe	Jacques Hughes
<i>The Blazing World</i>	Ryanne Chisholm / Villains Theatre	Stonefly/Chorus
<i>Return to Baker Street</i>	Andrew Chandler / Halifax Fringe	Sherlock Holmes
<i>I, the Greatest</i> *	Kevin Hartford / Halifax Fringe	Dan Bray
<i>Tales of the Old North</i>	Claire Legere / Xara Choral Theatre	Lutin
<i>War of the Worlds</i>	Jeremy Webb / Eastern Front Theatre	Ensemble
<i>Seasons</i>	Michael Lake / Workshirt Opera	Dan
<i>Blood and Quicksilver</i>	Michael McPhee / Halifax Fringe	Uksvar
<i>Pinocchio</i> *	Jesse MacLean / Shakespeare by the Sea	The Cat
<i>As You Like It</i>	Elizabeth Murphy / Shakespeare by the Sea	Silvius, <i>dramaturge</i>
<i>Orlando</i>	Michael Lake / Workshirt Opera	Archduchess/Archduke
<i>Reefer Madness</i>	Keith Morrison / Lions Den Theatre	Bill Harper
<i>All Of Our Fathers</i>	Keelin Jack / Misery Loves (Theatre) Co.	Jasper
<i>Antony & Cleopatra</i>	Elizabeth Murphy / Shakespeare by the Sea	Lepidus, <i>dramaturge</i>
<i>The Madonna Painter</i>	Luciana Fernandes / Taboo Theatre	Young Priest
<i>Arsenic and Old Lace</i>	Keith Morrison / Lions Den Theatre	Dr Einstein
<i>The Underpants</i>	Christine Daniels / Lions Den Theatre	Cohen

AWARDS/NOMINATIONS*

AWARD

<i>Jackson Elementary...</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Halifax Fringe Festival: Audience Choice</i>
<i>Jackson Elementary...</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Toronto Fringe 24 Hour Playwriting Contest: Winner</i>
<i>Deepwater</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Playwrights Guild of Canada Drama Award Drama Award: Winner</i>
<i>Deepwater</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Risk Theatre Modern Tragedy Competition (International): Semifinalist</i>
<i>Deepwater</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Merritt Award Winner: Outstanding New Play by a NS Playwright;</i>
<i>Deepwater</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Outstanding Independent Production: Winner</i>
<i>Deepwater</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Jenny Munday Atlantic Canadian Play Award: 1st Runner-Up</i>
<i>Tragedy</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Halifax Fringe Festival Artist Choice: Outstanding Comedy</i>
<i>Gwenyth Kills Her Husband</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Halifax Fringe Festival Audience Choice: Outstanding Comedy, Best NS Show</i>
<i>Rain on the Parade</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Actor in a Supporting Role</i>
<i>International Waters</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding New Play by a NS Playwright</i>
<i>Shakespeare's Time Machine</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Projection Design</i>
<i>Dinostories</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>East Coast Music Award Nominee: Children's Entertainer of the Year</i>
<i>Hänsel und Gretel</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Merritt Award Winner: Outstanding Adaptation by a NS Playwright</i>
<i>Observatory Mansions</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Adaptation by a NS Playwright</i>
<i>Hänsel und Gretel</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Original Score</i>
<i>Hänsel und Gretel</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Indie Production</i>
<i>Hänsel und Gretel</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Ensemble</i>
<i>Murder on the Orient Express</i>	Theatre Antigonish	<i>Theatre Antigonish Award Winner: Best Performance</i>
<i>Zomblet</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Merritt Award Award Nominee: Outstanding New Play by a NS Playwright</i>
<i>Return to Baker Street</i>	Halifax Fringe	<i>Halifax Fringe Winner: Best New Play, Best Comedy, Fringe Hit</i>
<i>I, the Greatest</i>	Halifax Fringe	<i>Halifax Fringe Winner: Best Ensemble</i>
<i>Pinocchio</i>	Shakespeare by the Sea	<i>Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Actor in a Leading Role</i>
<i>Arden</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding New Play by a NS Playwright</i>
<i>The Duchess of Malfi</i>	Villains Theatre	<i>Merritt Award Nominee: Outstanding Production by an Emerging Company</i>
<i>Wake Up, Rosie!</i>	Halifax Fringe	<i>Halifax Fringe Winner: Best Family Show</i>
<i>Criminal Negligee</i>		<i>Halifax Fringe Winner: Best Playwright</i>

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