

DONNA MEJIA

DIRECTOR CHOREOGRAPHER
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PROFILE

Director and Choreographer with 28 years of experience building award winning main stage Musical Theater productions and developing performers who have gone on to Broadway, Film, Television and the Roger Rees Awards. Director of new plays across New York's Off-Broadway and Festival circuit. Classically trained at Boston Ballet and The Boston Conservatory at Berklee. Member, Stage Directors and Choreographers Society (SDC), since 2015.

CAREER SUMMARY

Director / Choreographer 1998-Present

St. Francis Preparatory High School

- Directed and Choreographed over 55 main stage productions
- Highlights include: West Side Story, Hairspray, Newsies, A Christmas Carol, Mamma Mia, Beauty and the Beast, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Director Off-Broadway 2016-Present

Theater for the New City — Crystal Field, Artistic Director

- Victoria Woodhull written by Claude Solnik
- A Walk on the Beach written by Claude Solnik
- NoWhere Man written by Claude Solnik

Dream Up Festival 2015-Present

- Theater for the New City
- under the direction of Michael Scott Price
 - Manage festival operations and productions for one of NYC's leading independent theater festivals

LES Festival 2015-2022

- Theater for the New City
- under the direction of Crystal Field
- Assistant Director
- Children's theatre Curator

St. John's University 1999-2000

Faculty

- Musical Theatre Instructor weekend Intensive for two semesters
- Sponsored by the National Endowment of the Arts

Chambers Dance Theatre

-Dance Faculty

- Taught alongside guest artist Ann Reinking

TRAINING & PERFORMANCE

The Boston Conservatory at Berklee

- BFA Dance
- Hight performances- La Slyphide Ballet, Anything Goes

Boston Ballet

- Trained under Sydney Leonard, Laura Young, and Bruce Marks; guest artist studies with Twyla Tharp
- Performed in The Nutcracker at the Wang Center, Boston

AFFILIATIONS

- Member, Stage Directors and Choreographers Society (SDC) — since 2015

ACCOLADES & RECOGNITION

- **Roger Rees Awards**— student nominees accumulating in solo performance at Symphony Space NYC
- **Featured on NY1 Entertainment News** for Theater for the New City's production of Victoria Woodhull
- Guided student performers to national platforms including the **Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade** and **Disneyland's 60th Diamond Jubilee Celebration**
- **Alumni** working on Broadway, film, and television

CURRENT PROJECTS

- Children's book series (in development)