THEATER EMORY
PRODUCTION HISTORY

2015-2016

*I AM A MOON*
By Zhu Yi
Directed by Jancie Akers
Theater Lab, Schwartz Center for Performing Arts

What does love look like?

- A giant stone full of craters
- A body covered by hickeys
- An apple waiting for a wound

Returning to Emory as a full production following a successful staged reading during the Spring 2015 Global Voices festival, *I AM A MOON* explores how Eastern and Western cultures search for intimacy and how perceptions of the body influence self-image.

*The Meantime: A Time-Traveling Radio Spectacle*
Created by Brent Glenn
Mary Gray Munroe Theater, Dobbs University Center

Welcome to The Meantime, the space between what has passed and what will be. It is a place of mystery and imagination, from the grotesque to the sublime, where yesteryear meets tomorrowland. This time-traveling variety show delivers live radio plays, song and dance, horrors and vaudeville in equal measure. So sit back and let your mind relax, sip a cup of joe or hot chocolate, and spring forward to the past. We will see you soon…in the Meantime.

Brave New Works 2016
The 2016 Brave New Works festival highlights the wealth of talent in Atlanta’s own backyard with new work and adaptations from world class artists who live and work in Atlanta. Professional playwrights, adaptors, composers, directors, and dramaturgs gather at Emory to work on new scripts with a combined company of student and professional actors. All events are free and open to the public, but reservations are requested. Reservations can be made by following the event links to the Arts at Emory calendar.

Fellowship Series
Four finalists for Emory's 2016-18 Playwriting Fellowship will present readings of their work with the Brave New Works company.

- **Selections from *Borealis* and other plays**
  by Bennett Fisher
  Directed by Rachel Parish
  Bennett Fisher is a playwright, actor, director, dramaturg, and teacher. His work has been produced in New York, Chicago, Minneapolis, Boston, Kansas City, San Diego, Rochester, Aspen, Quincy, Taiwan, Greece, and Switzerland, as well as his native San Francisco Bay Area. Bennett is currently finishing his playwriting MFA at UC San Diego. The Brave New Works presentation includes work from his full-length plays *Don’t Be Evil, Borealis*, and *Campo Maldito* as well as his ten-minute play *Monument*.

- **Selections from *The Rules* and other works**
  by Jiréh Breon Holder
  Directed by Brent Glenn
  As a highly political writer, Jiréh Breon Holder’s plays range a plethora of topics and styles. With moments ranging from a same sex couple debating the amount of kink in their sex life to a
sharecropper facing the Ku Klux Klan, this Brave New Works presentation spans subjects from the 1961 Freedom Rides to the 2007 Great Recession. It includes The Rules, 50:13, Too Heavy for Your Pocket, and Endurance (or ObamaDidItJustUseHope).

- **Selections from There's an Ocean in Nebraska and other works**  
  by Dana Lynn Formby  
  Directed by Ariel Fristoe  
  Dana Lynn Formby is a blue-collar female playwright who tells stories about the disillusionment of the American Dream through the context of the lower economic classes of our society. Her plays have been produced, workshopped, and read by Pegasus, Chicago Dramatists, Mortar Theatre Company, Steep, PICT, Victory Gardens, WordBRIDGE, Florida Studio Theatre, The Alliance Theatre of Atlanta, The Kennedy Center, and New York Theatre Workshop. The Brave New Works presentation includes selections from There's an Ocean in Nebraska and American Beauty Shop as well as her ten-minute play, The Exorcist.

- **Selections from Mount Misery and other works**  
  by Andrew P. Saito  
  Directed by Lisa Paulsen  
  Informed by his foundational training as a poet with June Jordan, his many experiences traveling and living all over the world, and growing up watching The Simpsons and South Park, Andrew Saito's plays examine incongruous historical 'coincidences,' cross-cultural relationships, and the dynamics between individuals and the state, often with sarcasm and humor. The Brave New Works presentation includes excerpts from whisper fish, which takes place against the backdrop of the deportation of Japanese Peruvians from Lima during World War II, Mount Misery: A Comedy of Enhanced Interrogations, which explores the fact that Donald Rumsfeld's vacation home was once the plantation where teenage Frederick Douglass was a slave, and Stegosaurus (or) Our Golden Years, a satiric examination of human inaction in the face of ecological catastrophe.

**The Younger**  
by Ann Hughes (17C)  
Directed by Jeremy Cohen  
When Julia Agrippina meets the scholar and philosopher Seneca at the celebration of her marriage to a Roman power-broker, she becomes infatuated with him. Her pursuit of Seneca’s affections leads to his expulsion from the city and a desperate quest to bring him back regardless of the cost.

*The Younger* is the 2016 Fellow’s Project. Created by inaugural Emory University Playwriting Fellow, Edith Freni, The Fellow’s Project identifies and mentors a promising Emory student playwright who has completed the first draft of a full-length play, culminating in a staged reading during Brave New Works.

**Breathing Fire Moving Earth**  
by Minka Wiltz  
Directed by Tom W. Jones II  
This second installment of Shaking the Wind, the story of a girl raised by an Atlanta street preacher, explores how Margie became Minka and defied her brainwashing to become her truest self.

**Here to Love You Uncomfortable**  
Adapted by Jericho Brown and Snehal Desai  
Directed by Snehal Desai  
This stage adaptation of Please, Jericho Brown’s American Book Award-winning collection of poetry, explores the intersections of love and violence, African American male identity and sexuality.
The Bonobo Project
The Bonobo Project, first conceived for Theater Emory’s Breaking Ground Series, brings together four new plays by Atlanta playwrights all inspired by common source material, “Sex at Dawn: the Prehistoric Origins of Modern Sexuality,” by Christopher Ryan and Cacilda Jetha.

- **The Mystic** by Edith Freni
  *Homo Sapiens is Latin for Man Who Knows* by Michael Develle Winn
  Directed by Jessica Holt

- **Cul-de-Sac** by Johnny Drago
  *The Flower Room* by Daryl Fazio
  Directed by Shannon Eubanks

**King James**
Written and Directed by David Garrett
This screenplay adaptation of *Woyzeck*, Georg Buchner’s play about poverty, morality, madness, and violence, brings the action into present-day Atlanta. *King James* tells the story of a black cop buffeted by societal upheavals sparked by police brutality and race.

**The Looking Glass**
by Jim Grimsley
Directed by Joseph Megel
*The Looking Glass* tells the story of the Widow Evangeline Norris, whose history is similar to the infamous 17th century figure Elizabeth Bathory, “The Blood Countess.” In an imagined future when the modern world has collapsed back into slavery and serfdom, Widow Norris is visited in prison by her dead husband, General Norris, while the grim reality and scope of her crimes are revealed as her accomplices are put on trial.

2014-2015

**Pinter Fest**
A three-month long celebration of Harold Pinter’s works - events include *Pinter Visions: A Symposium*, the Pinter Staged Reading Series, film screenings, productions and other related events.

**Pinter Staged Reading Series**
Theater Lab, Schwartz Center for Performing Arts

*The Homecoming*
Directed by John Ammerman

*Betrayal*
Directed by Janice Akers
With presentations from Staibdance and The Object Group

*Moonlight*
Directed by Brenda Bynum

*The Dumbwaiter*
The Weird Sisters Theatre Project
Directed by Tiffany Porter

*A Kind of Alaska* and *Family Voices*
Directed by Tim McDonough
Pinter Revue
Featuring works by Harold Pinter
Directed by Donald McManus
Theater Lab, Schwartz Center for Performing Arts
Sketch comedy in the British tradition, Pinter Revue is a collection of short works spanning more than thirty years of Pinter's career, from Trouble in the Works (1959) to New World Order (1991). Mountain Language (1988), a play about state terrorism, is described by Pinter as a "series of short, sharp images" exploring "suppression of language and the loss of freedom of expression." Pinter Revue contains strong language.

A Pinter Kaleidoscope
Selections from works by Harold Pinter
Directed by Brent Glenn
An immersive confrontation with the comedic menace of Harold Pinter. The audience encounters Pinter’s dystopian nirvana by moving through various locations within the theater space. From his first play, The Room, to the totalitarian nightmare One for the Road, this devised theater event also features portions of The Birthday Party, The Hothouse, The Caretaker, and other plays, poems and speeches.

Global Voices: Spring Staged Readings
Theater Lab, Schwartz Center for Performing Arts
Theater Emory celebrates the fresh perspectives of thirteen playwrights from our culturally diverse theater community. Guest writers, directors and performers explore how we view our history, identity, personal relationships and writing for the 21st century.

Appropriate
by Branden Jacobs-Jenkins
Directed by Tim McDonough

Neighbors
by Branden Jacobs-Jenkins
Directed by Robert John Connor

Paloma
by Anne García-Romero
Directed by Tlaloc Rivas

Desert Longing or Las Aventureras
by Anne García-Romero
Directed by Maia Knispel

Shooting Magda
by Joshua Sobol
Directed by Donald McManus

I am a Moon
by Zhu Yi
Directed by Janice Akers

Whaler
by Snehal Desai
Directed by Matt Huff
Trials with Brownies  
Solo performance by Snehal Desai

The Bird House  
by Diane Glancy  
Directed by Michael Evenden

Assimilation  
by Jack Dalton  
directed by Vincent Murphy

Tombs of the Vanishing Indian  
by Marie Clements  
Directed by Ariel Fristoe

Total Power Exchange  
by Edith Freni  
Directed by Victor Maog

The Revolutionists  
by Lauren Gunderson  
Directed by Lisa Paulsen

The Who & the What  
by Ayad Akhtar  
Directed by Tim McDonough

Brahman/i  
by Aditi Kapil  
Directed by Turner Schofield

Barton Field  
written and directed by John Ammerman

Marisol  
by José Rivera  
Directed by David Crowe  
Rivera’s urban fantasia is set in post-apocalyptic New York. Marisol Perez’ world is in social upheaval because of a senile, inattentive God. This magical and highly charged comic play proposes a new world order of liberation and hope. Rivera is a recipient of two OBIE awards and an OSCAR nomination for his screenplay, The Motorcycle Diaries.

2013-2014

I am not that I play (gender and disguise)  
By William Shakespeare  
Adapted by Tim McDonough  
Directed by Tim McDonough  
Theater Lab, Schwartz Center for Performing Arts  
In five of Shakespeare’s plays, heroines disguise themselves as young men. These “breeches” roles will be the focus of an investigation into identity and confusion, fidelity and betrayal, freedom and constraint, appearance and reality, and the urge both to conceal and reveal oneself.

Macbeth
By William Shakespeare
Directed by Clinton Wade Thornton
Mary Gray Munroe Theater
Shakespeare’s tragedy of ambition unfolds in a timeless world that combines modern technology with raw Scottish history.

*Harabel by Gypsee Yo*
By Jonida Beqo
Directed by Justin Anderson
Beqo intertwines theater, dance, and poetry to tell her dynamic personal journey from Albanian refugee to American resident.

**BRAVE NEW WORKS**
The Playwriting Center of Theater Emory
New Play Festival
Theater Lab, Schwartz Center for Performing Arts

*The Bitch Of Balaclava*
Written by Patricia Henritze
Directed by Vincent Murphy
This Florence Nightingale restlessly inhabits a world where she is both renowned and reviled, and where her ability to save thousands is a drop in the bucket against the tide of modern warfare.

*Native Guard*
Written by Natasha Trethewey
Directed by Susan Booth
In collaboration with the Alliance Theater
In connection with The National Civil War Project
A developmental workshop that seeks to adapt the Pulitzer Prize winning book of poetry by [Natasha Trethewey](http://www.natashatrethewey.com), Poet Laureate of the United States and Robert W. Woodruff Professor of English and Creative Writing at Emory University.

*The Sapelo Project*
In connection with The National Civil War Project
Curated by Josiah Watts
Directed by Janice Akers
A theater piece that integrates music, movement, spoken word, acting, and video to capture the culture and stories of Sapelo Island and the development of the Saltwater Geechee-Gullah dialect, the history of slavery on the island, and the melding of influences of Arabic, English, Spanish and French.

*In Love and Warcraft, The Frog Girlfriend, and The Untitled Chemistry Project*
Written by Madhuri Shekar
Directed by Tim McDonough

*A Work of Pure Fiction and Total Power Exchange*
Written by Edith Freni
Directed by Donald McManus

*An Elaborate Systems of Ropes and Pulleys* and other new work
Written by Jef Petersen
Directed by Brent Glenn

*Free/Fall: Explorations of Inner and Outer Space*
Collaboration with choreographers George Staib and Lori Teague, and composer Kendall Simpson
Directed by Janice Akers
Mary Gray Munroe Theater
A performance project that begins with the notion of a man falling 24 miles from space and the impulse to “go ahead and jump”. It explores human nature, risk, relationships, flight, and how like the force of the cosmos we can be.

2012-2013

*Comic Mysteries (Mistero Buffo)*
By Dario Fo, Translated by Ed Emery
Directed by Donald McManus
Theater Lab, Schwartz Center for Performing Arts
A lively, street-theater style comedy that confronts contemporary attitudes about spirituality and politics using ancient comic techniques.

*Grim, Grimmer, Grimmest: Tales of a Precarious Nature*
Conceived and directed by Janice Akers
Mary Gray Munroe Theater
“Grim Grimmer Grimmest” takes modern, urban travelers into the shocking, forbidden, and magical stories of the Brothers Grimm and drops them into places of disequilibrium and transformation.

*Watching Chekhov Watching*
Based on Short Stories by Chekhov
Adapted by Michael Evenden, Lisa Paulsen, and Nicholas Surbey
Theater Lab, Schwartz Center for Performing Arts
Through theater and film, we reimagine Chekhov’s mesmerizing tales of daily life and the absurd complexities of human impulse.

*The Cherry Orchard*
By Anton Chekhov
Directed by Tim McDonough
Mary Gray Munroe Theater
A moving comedy about the necessity of letting go of what we love. Every moment is ephemeral in this story of childish misfits who live in the past or the future rather than the present. Written by a dying Chekhov, “The Cherry Orchard” is a masterpiece about transition that itself transitioned theater into a new age.

2011-2012

*The Lieutenant of Inishmore*
by Martin McDonagh
Directed by Donald McManus
Mary Gray Munroe Theater
Wee Thomas is dead! Someone’s gonna pay once ‘Mad Padraic’ returns after his recent tour of torture and bombing in Northern Ireland. He loves that cat more than life itself.

*Persuasion*
by Jane Austen
Adapted and directed by John Ammerman
Mary Gray Munroe Theater
Young and privileged Anne was forced by her family to reject her true love, Frederick, because of his inadequate social standing. Now, an almost-spinsters at age 27, Anne suddenly re-encounters Frederick, who is now wealthy and distinguished but also too hurt to forgive Anne for her rejection of him years ago.

6X6
by Esther Albrecht, Jireh Holder, Alexandra Kayhart, Geoff Schorkopf, Jamie Schlansky, and Arianna Skibell
Theater Lab, Schwartz Center for Performing Arts
What do a serial-killing baker, dispirited cartoonist, and bitter barista have in common? They are all characters from this collection of six one-person short plays written by current and former playwriting students at Emory.
Commissioned by and developed at Theater Emory.

_The Night of the Iguana_
by Tennessee Williams
Directed by Janice Akers
Mary Gray Munroe Theater
Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Tennessee Williams’ birth with his 1961 Broadway hit. Defrocked for committing heresy and fornication in a single week, a dissolute minister arrives at a seedy Mexican hotel presided over by a lusty innkeeper. Rev. Shannon tries to outrun his past, but simmering passions threaten to collide with dangerous secrets. This is Williams at his sultry, explosive best.

_Theater of War_
Translated and Facilitated by Bryan Doerries
Springer Opera House, Columbus, GA
Directed by John Ammerman. Produced by Phyllis Kaufman.
Theater Emory is partnering with Theater of War Productions to present a free, public presentation of Theater of War to veterans, their families, and the Columbus community.

_Bolsheviki_
by David Fennario.
Performed by Donald McManus.

_Without Which Nothing_
by Margaret Baldwin and Out Of Hand Theater.
Presented as a stage reading, with a grant from the Center for Creativity and Arts and support from the Playwriting Center of Theater Emory. Presented as part of the year of Water at Emory.

2010-2011

_Rent_
Book, Music and Lyrics by Jonathan Larson
Music Direction by Bryan Mercer
Performing Arts Studio
Based on Puccini’s opera, “La Bohème,” this smash hit Broadway rock musical follows a bohemian group of young New York artist and musician friends struggling to survive during the height of the AIDS epidemic. Presented in concert format.

_You Can’t Take It with You_
By Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman
Directed by John Ammerman
Mary Gray Munroe Theater
This classic 1930s comedy chronicles one mad-capped night in the lives of two socially different, yet equally eccentric families, about to be joined by the marriage of their children.

_Buried Child_
By Sam Shepard
Directed by Janice Akers
Mary Gray Munroe Theater
Sam Shepard’s intense and groundbreaking drama depicts a dysfunctional family harboring a grotesque secret.
BRAVE NEW WORKS
The Playwriting Center of Theater Emory
Biennial New Play Festival
Schwartz Center for Performing Arts

6 X 6
Original work by Esther Albrecht, Joshua Elmore, Jireh Holder, Alexandra Kayhart, Geoff Schorkopf, Jamie Schlansky, and Arianna Skibell
Commissioned by Theater Emory.

Kites: Aerial Videography
by Kent Wall
Mary Gray Munroe Theater, Dobbs University Center

Without Which Nothing
by Margaret Baldwin and Out Of Hand Theater

Grim, Grimmer, Grimmest: Promises, Warnings, and Trick Questions!
by Janice Akers

Goreé Crossing
by Paul Carter Harrison
Music by Olu Dara
Sponsored in part by the Hightower Fund and Emory University's Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library (MARBL).

Infinite Country: A Frontier Play
by Nicholas Surbey

Louise Nevelson: A Life Assembled
Original work by Patrick Hutchison, Karla Jennings, Kate Johnsen, Ellen McQueen, and Lori Teague

Jubilee Jim
Book and Music by Bobby Paul

Past is Present: New Southern Screenplays
Original work by Donzaleigh Abernathy and David Garrett

2009-2010

Miss Julie X 3
Three simultaneous productions of August Strindberg’s Miss Julie, directed by faculty Janice Akers, Donald McManus, and Michael Evenden, presented in repertory in the Burlington Road Bldg. Black Box Theater, The Schwartz Center Theater Lab, and the Mary Gray Munroe Theater. Three separate translations, casts, designs, and directors!

Hominid
by Out Of Hand Theater and Ken Weitzman
A co-production with Out Of Hand Theater
Directed by Ariel de Man
Mary Gray Munroe Theater, Dobbs University Center
Commissioned by and developed with the support of The Playwriting Center of Theater Emory, and sponsored in part by a grant from the Emory College Center for Creativity & Arts through commission funding from Creativity: Arts & Innovation at Emory University. Production was co-sponsored by
Emory’s Program in Science & Society and the Yerkes National Primate Research Center. Based on the true story captured by Frans de Waal in his book *Chimpanzee Politics*.

*Frankenstein*
Adapted and directed by John Ludwig
Schwartz Center, Theater Lab
Originally commissioned and produced for the 1996 Olympic Arts Festival, this puppet play is based on Mary Shelley’s *Frankenstein*. Adapted and directed by Jon Ludwig of Atlanta’s Center for Puppetry Arts, this version was set in a surreal, musical world of voodoo ritual.

*Oklahoma!*
Music by Richard Rodgers. Book and lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II. Based on the play “Green Grow the Lilacs” by Lynn Riggs. Original dances by Agnes de Mille.
Directed by John Ammerman
Mary Gray Munroe Theater, Dobbs University Center
The American classic musical love story of farm girl Laurie and cowboy Curly produced with full orchestra.

*Theater of War*
Translated and Facilitated by Bryan Doerries
Cannon Chapel, Emory University
Directed by John Ammerman. Produced by Phyllis Kaufman. Theater Emory is partnering with Theater of War Productions to present a free, public presentation of Theater of War.

2008-2009

*The Comedy of David Ives*
Funny short plays about couples and miscommunication
Theater Laboratory, Schwartz Center for Performing Arts
Theater Emory’s evening presents funny, witty short plays from several Ives collections which focus on couples talking to one another and dealing with miscommunications in conversations that go awry and restart, revising what was said before as if in search of a better version of themselves.

Sure Thing, directed by Lisa Paulsen
The Universal Language, directed by Tim McDonough
English Made Simple, directed by Mary Lynn Owen
Arabian Nights, directed by Donald Cameron McManus
Philip Glass Buys a Loaf of Bread, directed by Michael Evenden
Enigma Variations, directed by John Ammerman

Reading of *The Butterfly Collection* by Theresa Rebeck

*Don Juan Comes Back from the War* by Ödön von Horváth, directed by Janice Akers
Mary Gray Munroe Theater, Dobbs University Center
Ödön von Horváth’s 1936 comedy addresses the search for his soulmate in the context of post-war readjustment and gender conflict—the legendary womanizer returns from battle to a changed world now dominated by women. This production introduces to Theater Emory the Hungarian/German/Austrian von Horváth (1901-1938), one of the great twentieth-century European playwrights, whose darkly humorous plays dissect ordinary language and the unexamined everyday assumptions that deform human lives and relationships.

BRAVE NEW WORKS
Theater Laboratory, Schwartz Center for Performing Arts
Playwrights from Emory and across the nation join the BNW company of professional and student actors, directors and dramaturgs, along with consulting scientists and resource artists, for three intensive weeks of collaborative work and discovery. All culminating presentations are free and open to the public.
-Bones by Amy Cook & Zoe Fine, Contributing Writer
  Commissioned by and developed with the support of the Playwriting Center of Theater Emory and the Transforming Community Project at Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia.

  This staged reading was an Emory Founder’s Week event and is sponsored by the Office for Multicultural Programs and Services.

-The Day of Murders in the History of Hamlet by Bernard-Marie Koltès
  This staged reading was an Emory Founder’s Week event and is part of, “Autour de Koltès/About Koltès”, an interdisciplinary series of events on campus that offer opportunities for rich dialogue across disciplinary and professional boundaries, organized by the Emory European Studies Project.

-Silverhill by Thomas Gibbons. This staged reading was an Emory Founder’s Week event.

-Ten Faces by Joseph Skibell

-Great Souls, Big Wheels, and Other Beats by Donald McManus

-Spitting Game, Original work by Lauren Feldman, Sigrid Gilmer, Dan LeFranc, Scott Turner Schofield, Nicholas Surbey, and Steve Yockey. Commissioned by the Playwriting Center of Theater Emory. Project Director, Snehal Desai

-5th Great Ape by Out Of Hand Theater & Ken Weitzman. Commissioned by and developed with the support of The Playwriting Center of Theater Emory, and sponsored in part by a grant from the Emory College Center for Creativity & Arts funded by the University-wide Creativity & the Arts Strategic Initiative. This reading was co-sponsored by Emory's "Program in Science & Society."

-Two Evolving Plays-Commissioned by and developed with the support of Playwriting Center of Theater Emory (PWC) and the Creative Writing Program at Emory University, Atlanta, GA. This project is sponsored in part in by a grant from the Emory College Center for Creativity & Arts funded by the University-wide Creativity & the Arts Strategic Initiative:

  -Wax Wings by Matthew Maguire
  -Dr. Tatiana’s Sex Advice to All Creation, based on the book by Olivia Hudson, adapted by John Walch

Peer Gyn
by Henrik Ibsen
directed by Tim McDonough
Mary Gray Munroe Theater, Dobbs University Center
A great poetic fantasy by the father of modern drama, centers on the mad quest of an irresponsible misfit and liar to become Emperor of the World, his epic misadventures, his elusive, uncentered self, and the one who faithfully believes in and waits for him at home. Written in 1867 to challenge the limitations of the realistic stage, this epic comic poem explodes with youth, desire, mythic imagination, and ironic humor.

2007-2008

Monday, Monday with Theater Emory, lecture, Dr. Jasper Gaunt, Curator of Greek and Roman Art, The Poetry is in the Pity: The Trojan War in Greek Art

THE TROJAN WAR REP
Program A
Iphigenia and Other Daughters
by Ellen McLaughlin
Directed by Janice Akers
This is a version of Sophocles' Electra , with a short prologue and epilogue based on Euripides' Iphigenia in Aulis and Iphigenia in Tauris . These are contemporary responses to the original plays, marked by "austere lyricism" (Oskar Eustis, Artistic Director of The Public Theater) and by a strong woman's perspective.
Program B

The Final Hours of Troy
Translated by Robert Fagles
Directed by Tim McDonough
Virgil’s account of the Trojan horse and the sacking of Troy that has been rendered in a style that is "of our time yet timeless" (Richard Jenkyns) - the "vigorous, supple modern English" (J.M. Coetzee) familiar to those who have read Robert Fagles' translations of Homer and Aeschylus. An ensemble of actors will narrate and enact this epic story. Robert Fagles is the winner of the PEN/Ralph Manheim Medal for Translation and a 1996 Academy Award in Literature from the American Academy of Arts and Letters.

The Trojan Women
by Ellen McLaughlin
Directed by Brenda Bynum
This version of The Trojan Women is a condensation of what Ellen McLaughlin says may be the greatest antiwar play ever written. Hecuba, Helen, Cassandra, Andromache and a chorus of women await their fate after the fall of Troy. Ellen McLaughlin, best known as the actor who originated the role of the Angel in Angels in America, is a prize-winning playwright who has for over a decade worked on adaptations of Greek plays.

An Evening with award-winning playwright and screenwriter, Motti Lerner, including his speech “Playwriting in Wartime” and a reading of his new play “Benedictus”

Monday, Monday with Theater Emory, film, Jean-Pierre Melville's Army of Shadows

365 Days/ 365 Plays
by Suzan-Lori Parks
This cycle of short plays is being performed all over the country and by companies throughout Atlanta. In October, Theater Emory will collaborate with student groups and with Theater Studies to produce a week of this mysterious, challenging, endlessly various year of theatrical days.

Colloquium with Jose Rivera, playwright and screenwriter

Slapping Bernard
Written and Directed by John Ammerman
Paris, 1942. The French Resistance enlists a Parisian film company to use its latest motion picture as a signal to initiate the assassination of Reinhard Heydrich, second in command of the Nazi SS. Presented in the style of a black and white film noir, Slapping Bernard is a story of suspicion, disappearance, betrayal, murder, love, and compromise during the Nazi occupation of France.

What I Heard About Iraq
adapted for the stage by Simon Levy from the article “What I Heard About Iraq” by Eliot Weinberger
Directed by Michael Evenden
What I Heard About Iraq is a theatrical collage based on an article by Eliot Weinberger in the London Review of Books that uses nothing but documented statements and fully verifiable facts to create a compelling, disturbing narrative of the march to war and the events of our continuing occupation. We hear from politicians, military chiefs, soldiers, Iraqi citizens and eyewitnesses of the war. "It makes you question just about everything you've heard and read. It tells you things that you thought you already knew, and reminds you of things that you once thought but had forgotten." (The Guardian) Photographs of war-torn Iraq and video clips of our nation's leaders are part of the performance.

Bury the Dead
by Irwin Shaw
Directed by Tim McDonough
Irwin Shaw, a respected author of short stories, a successful novelist (The Young Lions; Rich Man, Poor Man) and screenwriter (Desire Under the Elms, Talk of the Town) started his writing career as a playwright. His first play, produced in 1936 when he was only 23, was Bury the Dead, set in "the second
year of the war that is to begin tomorrow night." Six soldiers killed in battle rise up from their graves and doggedly refuse to be buried. Word of their insurrection spreads rapidly to soldiers in the field, to hapless generals, and to the news media, with alarming effect - creating a national crisis that is at times wickedly funny. In a series of touching scenes, the dead men talk with their loved ones of the days of living, now lost forever.

"One Good Song: A Revue of War" A cabaret of war-inspired songs from the Revolutionary War to Iraq

Oh What A Lovely War
by Theatre Workshop, Charles Chilton, Gerry Raffles and Members of the Original Cast
Directed by Donald McManus

Oh What a Lovely War, created by Joan Littlewood's Theatre Workshop, premiered in London in 1963. It is a chronicle of the First World War told through songs and documents of the period. Poignant events and stark images of suffering are juxtaposed with satirical clowning, comic skits, and song and dance numbers, in the spirit of English music hall entertainments. This innovative collaboration of actors, writers and director is a milestone in the theater of war.

Playwriting Center workshops with visiting artist, Dorothy Allison, developing new work

2006-2007 A FOCUS ON YOUTH

Young Acts
Program A
- Can Can by Romulus Linney, directed by Matt Huff
- Train Story by Adam Rapp, directed by Tim McDonough
- Life Underwater by Richard Greenberg, directed by Jim Donadio
- Red Coat by John Patrick Shanley, directed by John Ammerman

Program B
- The Winged Man by Jose Rivera, directed by Leslie Taylor
- This Property is Condemned by Tennessee Williams, directed by Lisa Paulsen
- Lunch in Venice by Nick Dear, directed by Janice Akers

Spring Awakening
by Frank Wedekind
Directed by Tim McDonough
At the center of this production are the sons and daughters of a small German town in 1890, who struggle with problems of adolescence: emerging sexuality, issues of sexuality identity, adult hypocrisy, philosophical questions, and crushing school pressures.

BRAVE NEW WORKS
- 99 Uses for a Naked Man by Jim Grimsley
- Watershed by Matthew Maguire
- Translation Renderings: Cyrano on the Moon translated/directed by Donald McManus
- Translation Renderings: The Talisman translated/directed by Michael Evenden
- Seventh Daughter by Bret Wood
- A Blessing on the Moon by Joseph Skibell

The Time of Your Life
by William Saroyan.
In this classic Pulitzer Prize-winning play, youthful energies take center stage. We meet a talented African-American piano player, a dancer who wants to be a comedian but isn’t funny, a fanatic pinball player, lovers on the brink of despair, and a heartbroken woman down on her luck. All congregate with a colorful array of older characters in a San Francisco saloon. This production was a Theater Emory directorial debut for Georgia Shakespeare’s Richard Garner.

2005-2006
Alcestis
by Euripides, translated and adapted by Ted Hughes,
Directed by Ariel Fristoe (de Man)
In this co-production with Atlanta’s innovative Out Of Hand Theater, King Admetos is doomed to die by the gods but is saved by his wife, Alcestis, who offers her life in his place. Ted Hughes’ modern retelling of Euripides’ Greek tragicomedy explores the burden of knowledge and the power humans have had since Prometheus gave us fire. This show ran during a conference celebrating the works of Ted Hughes at Emory and closed with an environmental re-staging in the Emerson Concert Hall at the Schwartz Center.

King Lear
by William Shakespeare
Directed by Tim McDonough
In every man there is a tension between reason and passion, appetite and conscience. Directed and starring Tim McDonough, this production was produced in an anachronistic “process-to-play” style, inviting a rare glimpse into how a theatrical event is created. The performance had much of the spirit of Shakespeare’s original productions.

She Stoops to Conquer: OR, The Mistakes of a Night
by Oliver Goldsmith
Directed by Michael Evenden
The production followed Kate Hardcastle as she switched from lady to wench and back in search of lasting love, and Mrs. Hardcastle in her quest for jewels, fashion, and eternal youth, in this heartfelt comedy of class, mischief, and hilarious misunderstandings.

The Skin of Our Teeth
by Thornton Wilder
Directed by Matt Huff
This Pulitzer-Prize winning satire is a testament to man’s perseverance and human spirit as well as a fun time-traveling expedition ending Theater Emory’s march through theatrical history.

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Turn Me On by KT Kilborn and Sheri Mann Stewart. A humorous, gender-bender search for our true sexual selves.


Glorious Bummer by Maria Headley. He and she graduate from college and make sense of it all.

Lewis and Clark Reach the Euphrates by Robert Schenkkan. A comic journey through this political landscape of American history.

Voices Underwater by Abi Basch. The Old and New South collide on supernatural ground.

An Evening with David Kranes, Theater Emory toasts the legendary former Artistic Director of the Sundance Playwrights Lab, launches it’s Sister City Playwrights exchange, and celebrates the publication of three of the scripts commissioned by its Playwriting Center.
Charm School by Larry Larson. Sensitivity training takes us into the great gray area of human interaction.

Antebellum by Robert O’Hara. The blending of Atlanta and Berlin in the late 1930s as Gone With the Wind and Hitler premiere.

Approaching Shakespeare
Part 1
Antony and Cleopatra directed by John Ammerman. An investigation of Shakespeare’s sensual world.
Part 2
Shakespeare’s Fools conceived by Alice N. Benston. The changing face of the fool in several Shakespeare plays.

Globus Hystericus by Janet Kenney. An apocalyptic romantic comedy complete with an earth that talks.

Glory Enough by Sidney Perkowitz. The dramatized story of Rosalind Franklin, the young English scientist who greatly contributed to a major scientific achievement, the discovery of the structure of DNA in the 1950s. That discovery earned a Nobel Prize, but no glory for Franklin, whose role was suppressed. The play tells of this injustice, mingled with snapshots from the brief life (she died at 37) of this brilliant and complex woman, and raises questions about scientific ethics and male views of women in science.

MFK Fisher Project by Leslie Taylor. A theatrical exploration of the writings of noted culinary author M.F.K. Fisher about entwinings of hunger, food and love.

Untitled by Tim McDonough. Imagine a day in the life of an improbable American playwright.
Wild/Geography by Janice Akers. The solar system is in chaos, the ground is at a crazy tilt, time itself is slippery and the entire natural world is in revolt. This story explores how we perceive wilderness and how geography defines our character. In the land of the tallgrass prairie we meet a suburban housewife ensconced in her SUV, destitute cowboys, a 19th century settler in love with her land and a Kaw brave who roams there, a boy who lives inside a wave, and a rag-tag band of young environmental warriors, hippies, gypsies, supernovas, spirits?—all in search of what is wild.

The Baker Woods Project: Frogs. Leslie Taylor and Michael Evenden lead an environmental exploration of Gertrude Stein’s ideas from her Theatrical Landscape.

School’s Out by Mark Blankenship and Scott Turner Schofield (KT Kilborn). Theater Emory alumni ask questions made vital by current American events and pop culture about our political and sexual culture. What defines gay culture and should those definitions be embraced or rejected? What does television teach us about “gayness?”

Salon du Alum with T. Brian Green, artistic director. Emory alums brainstorm, network, and create new work together.

2003–2004

Contemporary Theater from India. Street plays, dance dramas, and musicals have long been an integral part of India's 5000-year-old culture and continue to be used today for education, for telling and remembering stories, and to affect social change. Theater Emory presents staged readings of plays by contemporary Indian playwrights that are witty, delicious, rooted in India's culture, and which speak to issues relevant to today's society.

Dating and Mating in Modern Times by Elizabeth Wong. This play "was written as a series of monologues by women in celebration of men, of the libido, and the white hot desire for connection between the sexes," says its creator, Los Angeles-based television and theater writer Elizabeth Wong. Commissioned by the Playwriting Center of Theater Emory, it was a favorite in the 2003 Brave New Works.
A Midsummer Night’s Dream by William Shakespeare. Shakespeare's best-loved comedy about love, transformation, and extreme responses moves to a world on the edge. Shakespeare's lovers, fairies, and rulers intersect and, by the end of evening, each group has been altered by the encounter in powerful ways.

Leap by Lauren Gunderson. As two young sisters try to impart the wisdom of the future, their skeptical pupil young Isaac Newton begins to want more than his share. What if Newton knew as much as Einstein? Leap is a story of being young and brilliant, creativity, discovery, love, and physics. The writer of this world premiere work is a talented Emory senior whose award-winning plays have been produced in Atlanta and New York. A project of the Playwriting Center of Theater Emory.

The Baltimore Waltz by Paula Vogel. A staged reading presented in conjunction with Ms. Vogel’s visit to Emory’s Creative Writing Department.

The Great Nickelodeon Show. The performance becomes a nickelodeon theater, a place where movies and piano shared the stage with vaudeville acts. Part of the Emory Coca-Cola Artist in Residence Series.

Life Goes On: A Silent Play in Black and White by John Ammerman. A world premiere created in the style of a black and white silent film including live musical accompaniment during the performances, Life Goes On follows the story of one Detroit family's encounter with the 1929 stock market crash. Director John Ammerman draws inspiration for this production from the dramatic and comic qualities of the silent films of the 1920s.

Pas de 3 by Dominique Soria. Pas de 3 is performed by Alis, a 15-year-old French company that goes beyond traditional expectations, silently and discretely metamorphosing their show with images, projections, and objects, creating a daydream-like atmosphere. Part of the Emory Coca-Cola Artist in Residence Series.

2002–2003

The Brave New Works marathon of play development workshops held in two phases this season. The two events in the fall are staged readings of plays about two scientists who helped us to understand the birth and shape of the universe:

Background by Lauren Gunderson

Friedmann's Balloon by Sidney Perkowitz

And a reading of a new play directed by Wier Harmon of Actors' Express prior to production there in the spring:

Manna by Steve Murray

The Discovery of America by Arthur Kopit. Commissioned as a part of the 2002 Winter Olympic Arts Festival, it is a work-in-progress produced at Theater Emory during the 2002 Atlanta First Glance Festival. Kopit's play is based on the accounts of Cabeza de Vaca, a Spanish explorer who traveled in the Americas between 1528 and 1536. As the first European to cross nearly 6,000 miles of what is now North America, de Vaca was transformed by the journey he chronicled in the first great narrative of the making of America.

Brave New Works II inaugurates the Theater Laboratory in the Marvin and Donna Schwartz Center for the Performing Arts.

Book of Revelations by Jon Lipsky

The Mark of the Lord by Janet Kenney
Historical Fiction by Jennie Snyder

Arrangement for a Glass Guitar by Henry Israeli

12,395 Words by Joseph Skibell

MAGIK! by Pamela Turner

Dating and Mating in Modern Times by Elizabeth Wong

Boca Della Verita by Thomas Bryant

Crow by Vinnie Murphy based on the poetry of Ted Hughes

Room created by the SITI Company (Saratoga International Theater Institute). Directed by Anne Bogart. Created from a sampling of the lifetime writings of the English writer, Virginia Woolf. Actress Ellen Lauren, in a tour-de-force performance, guides the audience into the mind and experience of this extraordinary woman who wrote with humor, outrage, and passion in the early twentieth century.

Three Sisters by Anton Chekhov. Directed by Tim McDonough. Theater Emory brings a research cycle into the work of the great Russian playwright with one of his masterpieces.

2001-2002

The Discovery of America by Arthur Kopit, The Marriage of Miss Hollywood and King Neptune by Robert Schenkkan, (Salt Lake City Olympics Play Commission Project). Theater Emory, in connection with the Pioneer Theatre Company and the Olympic Arts Festival of the 2002 Salt Lake Olympic Winter Games, continued a commissioning and development process begun at Salt Lake City, Utah. Celebrated playwrights Arthur Kopit and Robert Schenkkan, dramaturg and project director David Kranes was in residence at Emory to work with Theater Emory artistic producing director Vincent Murphy and an ensemble of actors.

The Trestle at Pope Lick Creek by Naomi Wallace. An extraordinary woman drawn to testing the edges of possibility and the young man who follows her play out their search for adulthood in this sensuous, mesmerizing tale. Artistic producing director Vincent Murphy initiated the Naomi Wallace Festival, recruiting twelve Atlanta companies to celebrate the work of this contemporary American playwright whose works are better known in London than in her southern home.

Ah, Wilderness! by Eugene O'Neill. With this 1910 classic, Theater Emory launched an investigation into how American family life has been portrayed on the stage throughout the 20th century. O'Neill's warm and insightful coming-of-age comedy and a series of readings of scenes from each decade were scheduled as Theater Emory's collaboration with Emory's MARIAL (Myth and Ritual in American Life) Center.

30 Below: Theater by and about People Under 30-(A joint production with Out Of Hand Theater, Inc.) An ensemble of Emory students worked under the guidance of a new Atlanta professional theater company, Out Of Hand Theater, Inc., founded primarily by recent Emory alumni, three of whom won the prestigious Sudler Award as undergraduates for their work at Theater Emory. The company produced a varying bill of short theater pieces reflecting the world of today's youth. Check with the box office for the selections scheduled for each performance.

2000-2001

Back to Methuselah by George Bernard Shaw. Directed by Tim Ocel. How long would one have to live to be mature enough to be capable of creating a truly wise and just society? This rarely produced epic play will be presented in two parts in alternate performances. Presented as part of the Year of Reconciliation at Emory.
Y2K by Arthur Kopit. A staged reading produced by Theater Emory in cooperation with the Emory College Program in Science and Society, Y2K exposes the insidious and terrifying world of identity theft.

The Man Died by Wole Soyinka. Adapted and directed by Vincent Murphy. A staged reading adapted from the prison journals of Nobel Laureate Wole Soyinka who spent 27 months in solitary confinement as a political prisoner in Nigeria.

Jersey City by Wendy Hammond. Directed by Ariel de Man. In this intense drama a young woman who has been the object of repeated sexual abuse by her father finds a way to new life, independence, and wholeness. Presented as part of the Year of Reconciliation at Emory.

Telaio: Desdemona composed and performed by Susan Botti. Ms. Botti weaves the dialogue spoken about Desdemona (the ill-fated heroine of Shakespeare’s Othello) and the poetry of an Italian Renaissance woman, Gaspara Stampa, into a powerful operatic soliloquy.

The 2001 Brave New Works Marathon, produced by the Playwriting Center at Theater Emory in cooperation with the SouthEast Playwrights Project, and co-sponsored by the Creative Writing Program. Staged readings of:

  Becoming Ariadne by Myrr Jonason

  Getting There by skit.dog

  Somewhere Else by Tim McDonough

  1001 Nights by Vincent Murphy

  Beautiful Dreamer by David Kranes

  Where Peachtree Meets Sweet Auburn by Valetta Anderson & Peter Hardy

  Manna by Steve Murray

  Fugitive Cant by Naomi Wallace

1999-2000

The Last Laugh: A Fools' Fest to Usher in the New Millennium
Kenny Raskin created the role of Le Fou in Beauty and the Beast on Broadway and toured as the principal clown, Monsieur Everyman, for Cirque du Soleil. For this ten-day series of events he will be joined by some of America's best Vaudeville artists.
This series is supported in part by funding from the Flora Glenn Candler Fund.

A Night on the Clowns
Featuring Kenny Raskin, Tim Settimi, Hilary Chaplin, Dick Monday, and Waldo and Woodhead with The Lenny Deluxe Trio

Symposium: Humor and Healing
Emory medical faculty Neil Schulman, Mel Konner, John Stone and Helen O’Shea meet with Kenny Raskin and guest vaudeville artists to discuss this critical issue.

Daytime on-site performances throughout the week by Waldo and Woodhead, jugglers, and by Vince Tortorici, clown.

Kenny Raskin, lecture demonstration featuring Emory Students
Solo Performance by Avner the Eccentric

The Master Builder by Henrik Ibsen  Adapted by Steve Murray with Michael Evenden  Directed by Vincent Murphy - premiere of a new translation was commissioned by the Playwriting Center of Theater Emory.

"just...play" [s] by Samuel Beckett - Each evening will have a different selection of pieces by this Nobel Prize-winning writer. The repertoire will include "A Piece of Monologue," "Act Without Words I," "Act Without Words II," "Come and Go," "Ohio Impromptu," "What Where," and "That Time."

In Berlin by Jim Grimsley and Edge in Wordwise by Joseph Skibell, readings of two plays by new members of the Creative Writing faculty. A project of the Playwriting Center at Theater Emory.

A George Bernard Shaw Sampler: Staged readings of a collections of scenes to prepare for a production in a future season as Theater Emory shifts its research focus from Ibsen to Shaw.

As You Like It by William Shakespeare - A romantic comedy anchored by Rosalind and Celia, two of Shakespeare's great female roles, this production will continue to explore the Elizabethan conventions of performance. The Black Rose Elizabethan playhouse, nationally acclaimed for its visionary combination of the original outdoor Rose theater and indoor Blackfriars, will be dismantled after four years of performance and research projects after this production.

The Black Rose Swan Song - Two evenings to revisit the last three years in the Black Rose with scenes and memories before it is dismantled.

The Miracle Worker by William Gibson - A workshop directed by John Ammerman. Concerned with the number of plays that are dependent upon violence as the driving form of conflict, director John Ammerman will be exploring acting and stylistic choices in this play where the action is tender.

1998-1999

The Promise by Aleksei Arbuzov Directe by Katherine Orr - Produced by The Exile International Theatre Company with Theater Emory at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival

Comedy of Errors by William Shakespeare Directed by Richard Kimmel
Antigone by Sophocles Directed by Jack Young
Produced by Starving Artists Productions with Theater Emory

Brecht Cabaret: A Centennial Celebration
A mini festival of performances of Bertolt Brecht's lesser-known works, including stagings of some of his short musical pieces, of his poetry, and of his stories for children. Events will be staged for a variety of programs in celebration of the centennial year of the great German dramatist's birth.

The World Premiere of a new work developed through The Playwriting Center of Theater Emory
Learning To Dance by Frank Manley Directed by Robert Farley Featuring Tim McDonough and Janice Akers
Frank Manley's play, The Evidence, sold-out two days after it opened at Theater Emory in 1990. The playwright, two of the actors, the designers and the director return to collaborate on this new work chronicling the relationship between a Catholic priest and his housekeeper.

The Rain of Terror by Frank Manley, a free, public staged reading.
Brave New Works Marathon-The biennial festival of readings of a variety of new works developed through the Playwriting Center of Theater Emory and performed by a company of professional, faculty and student actors. New works by Robert Schenkkan (Pulitzer Prize winner), David Kranes, Jon Lipsky, and Steve Murray are slated to be in development during the marathon.

_Ubu and the Truth Commission_ by Jane Taylor

_Boss Grady's Boys_ by Sebastian Barry

_Flame of Powder, Soul Man_ by Walter Bilderback

_Rock Garden_ by Steve Murray

_Ladies in Waiting_ by Sherri Camp Paulsen

_Travelling Thomas_ by Valetta Anderson

_Call of the Wild_ by Jon Lipsky

_Beautiful Dreamer_ by David Kranes

_Handler_ by Robert Schenkkan

_Booth, Brother Booth_
written and performed by John Ammerman
Faculty member John Ammerman brings his acclaimed one-man play about actor Edwin Booth to Theater Emory for a limited engagement following performances at Georgia Shakespeare Festival and The Globe in London.

_The Vagina Monologues_ by Eve Ensler. Performed by a range of Emory faculty and students.


_The Lady from the Sea_
by Henrik Ibsen
Directed by Janice Akers-One of Ibsen's least often produced plays, _The Lady From the Sea_ is a mysterious and compelling drama about possessing and being possessed.

_The Master Builder Workshop_ by Henrik Ibsen
The premiere of a new translation by Steve Murray
Directed by Vincent Murphy In preparation for a future full production, Theater Emory explores this script by performing an evening of scenes in a variety of ways.

**1997-1998**

_Lost_, the world premiere of Steve Murray's funny, sometimes painful probe into the dualites of contemporary life. Directed by Tim Ocel. A product of the Brave New Works project of the Playwriting Center at Theater Emory.

_Pillars of Society_ by Henrik Ibsen. A provincial town teetering on the brink of expansion is confronted with secrets about its leading citizens. Directed by Ariel Bennett.
The Lion and the Jewel by Wole Soyinka. A sophisticated folk tale demonstrating the irrevocable way in which two cultures change and challenge each other. Directed by Andrea Frye.

The Feigned Courtesans by Aphra Behn, produced by Synchronicity Performance Group.

The Renaissance Repertory Workshops, a series of explorations of the Black Rose, the Elizabethan-style performance space created inside the Munroe Theater.

Unrehearsed Shakespeare, a workshop on performance by Demitra Papadinas, Artistic Director of the New Hampshire Shakespeare Festival.

Measure For Measure by William Shakespeare. A staged reading directed by Tim Ocel in collaboration with the Georgia Shakespeare Festival.

Elizabethan Comic Technique, scenes from Shakespeare directed by John Ammerman.

Life Is A Dream by Pedro Calderón de la Barca, a staged reading and a lecture-demonstration of period staging directed by Michael Evenden.

Discoveries in the Nature of Performance in an Elizabethan Theater, a symposium with several scholars and artists including Patrick Spottiswoode, Director of the International Shakespeare Globe Center in London.

The Ibsen Project Workshops, staged readings of rarely produced Ibsen plays:

The Lady from the Sea directed by Linda Stephens.

John Gabriel Borkman directed by Melanie Martin.

The Man Died: Prison Notes of Wole Soyinka. In honor of Wole Soyinka's continued professorship at Emory, Vincent Murphy adapted and directed a staged reading of the notes that Soyinka smuggled to the outside world during his twenty-seven months in solitary confinement as a political prisoner in his homeland.

Plus five student productions, three dance performances and three presentations about the Black Rose.

1996-1997

The 1997 Brave New Works Marathon, produced by the Playwriting Center at Theater Emory in cooperation with the SouthEast Playwrights Project, and co-sponsored by the Creative Writing Program. Staged readings of:

Lost by Steve Murray

Learning to Dance by Frank Manley

From Here by David Kranes

Handler by Robert Schenkkan

The Quiet American by Graham Green, screenplay by Robert Schenkkan

Nineteen Ninety-four, written and directed by Nobel Laureate Wole Soyinka. A radio play produced as a staged reading performed by an ensemble of Emory faculty and students to address the imbecility of political correctness.
*Uncommon Women and Others* by Wendy Wasserstein is a fascinating look at how the ideals and expectations of women have both changed and remained the same over the last 20 years.

*Approaching Simone*, written by Megan Terry and directed by Nicole Torre. A reinterpretation of the 1970 Obie award winning script through an aesthetic approach learned during the 1996 Olympic Arts Festival residency of the Saratoga International Theater Institute.

*The Soldier's Tale* by Igor Stravinsky. This classic to be read, danced, and played, was performed as a collaboration of Music, Theater and Dance at Emory.

The Renaissance Repertory explored the performance conditions that existed for Elizabethan audiences. Theater Emory constructed a playhouse inside the Mary Gray Munroe Theater, based on The Rose and Blackfriar Theatres.

*Hamlet Variations*, commissioned by Theater Emory and adapted by Ariel Bennett and Dan Colman. This two-character version of the classic focuses on the relationship between the madness of Hamlet and Ophelia. Directed by Vincent Murphy.

*The Tempest* by William Shakespeare. In director Vincent Murphy's production, Prospero, the isolated intellectual with substantial power, saw his society broken apart and reconstructed as the younger generation attempted to correct the faults of the older generation.


*Sleep Deprivation Chamber* by Adam Kennedy and Adrienne Kennedy, and directed by Yvonne Singh. Weaving back and forward in time, this 1995 Obie Award winning play examined this prominent African American family's experience with police brutality.

**1995-1996**

*Nights of Carnival*, a raucous comedy commissioned by Theater Emory and based on the life of commedia dell'arte playwright Carlo Goldoni. Created by the Actors Shakespeare Company of New York and performed in an outdoor amphitheater at Emory and at Piedmont Park for the Arts Festival of Atlanta.

*Hamlet Encounters*, a site specific production of Shakespeare's classic performed in locations at Emory University and Piedmont Park during the 1995 Arts Festival of Atlanta.

*Tiempo Libre: Medea Variations*. A performance by poet, dancer, actress Monica Gontovnik, presented in cooperation with the Kore Dance–Theatre from Barranquilla, Colombia. A product of the Brave New Works project of Theater Emory.

*Mileage* by Steve Murray. Vincent Murphy directed the world premiere of Murray's dark comedy about the labyrinthine relationship between a young man, his girlfriend, and his parents. A product of the Brave New Works project of Theater Emory.

An Exploration of Restoration Comedy. This two-week investigation into the wicked, wonderfully satirical world of Restoration comedy included staged readings, fully performed excerpts from major plays, and lecture/presentations designed to recapture the spirit of the late 17th century high style.

*Tabs*, produced in collaboration with Rumble Productions Society of Canada and commissioned by the Arts Council of Canada, explored the values and attitudes of twenty year-olds in the US and in Canada today. A product of the Brave New Works project of Theater Emory.
Married Life, a world premiere by Frank Manley, directed by Vincent Murphy. Five characters from Manley's dark vision, each with an extraordinary perspective, share their stories. A product of the Brave New Works project of the Playwriting Center at Theater Emory.

Superfly, the musical. A workshop exploration directed by Nicole Torre in collaboration with Zoink Productions investigated the music of Curtis Mayfield as the basis for a musical about inner city life.

The 1996 Brave New Works Marathon, produced by the Playwriting Center at Theater Emory in cooperation with the SouthEast Playwrights Project, and co-sponsored by the Creative Writing Program. Staged readings of:

- Mysterious Connections, Peter Hardy.
- Hush Child, Can't you Hear the Music?, Beverly Trader.
- Simple Gifts, Frank Manley.
- Bonaventure Street, Cary Bynum.
- The Hedda Project, Gayle Austin.
- Remedial Swamp, Jim Peck.
- Chappaquiddick, Linda Sherbert.
- Our Lady of Perrysburg, Sherry Paulsen.
- House, Bridge, Fountain, Gate, David Kranes.
- Dorothy D., Valetta Anderson.
- Rogue, Steve Murray.

American Wake, written by Tim McDonough, chronicled the hard choices that were required in Ireland of the 1930's, a land too poor to afford a living to its children. A product of the Brave New Works project of the Playwriting Center at Theater Emory.

Samuel Beckett's 90th Birthday Party, organized by Brenda Bynum in collaboration with the Beckett Project at Emory was a salute to the Nobel prize winning playwright whose work radically challenged theater audiences to stretch their idea of theater.

The Class Projects Showcase, a series of performances given each semester to honor and celebrate the work done by students in their academic classes.

Plus seven student productions, and three dance productions.

1994-1995

Stage Design Now-Stage Design in the Future, an exhibit in the Schatten Gallery co-sponsored by the Goethe Institute with support from the University Center of Georgia.

Tegonni, An African Antigone. The workshop premiere directed and written by Nigerian Femi Osofisan uses the story of Antigone to describe the background of civil unrest in contemporary Nigeria.
The Company of Angels written by Alan Brody and directed by Emory graduate, Paul Goldberg, celebrated the spirit of a company of Holocaust survivors who revive Yiddish theater for those in displaced person camps.

Jumping Off, a project in which nine student directors created theatrical salutes to the work of women artists. Produced in support of the Emory Women's Center's Salute to Women in the Arts during Women's History Month.

Dreams of the Heart (retitled Starting Over) by Jon Lipsky. Commissioned in cooperation with Merrimac Repertory Theatre, Lowell, Massachusetts.

Intolerance: Race, conceived and directed by Richard Kimmel with the Emory Issues Troupe.

Brave New Works Marathon Readings:

The Master Builder by Henrik Ibsen.

Mileage and The Serpent by Steve Murray.

Wolfe Tone by Jim Peck.

Mormons in Malibu by Wendy Hammond.

The Kentucky Cycle by Robert Schenkkan.

A Restoration Proposition adapted from historical and literary sources of the period by Michael Evenden.

American Wake by Tim McDonough.

Married Life by Frank Manley.

American Wake by Tim McDonough for Emory students. A four performance, partially-staged and choreographed exploration of this work-in-process about the traditional leave-taking given young people immigrating from Ireland.

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Disappearing Act by Anna Dolan, presented in support of the Emory Women's Center's Salute to Women in the Arts during Women's History Month.

Kimchee and Chittlins by Elizabeth Wong, presented in support of the Emory Women's Center's Salute to Women in the Arts during Women's History Month.

My Heart is Still Shaking by Brenda Bynum and Marjorie Shostak. This world premier based on Shostak's writings of her time with the !Kung San and especially of her friendship with Nisa, a !Kung woman.

Plus eight student theater productions, and three dance productions.

1993-1994

C.S. Lewis Onstage, adapted and performed by artist-in-residence Tom Key from the works of C.S. Lewis.
*Lysistrata*, directed by Brenda Bynum. Performed by the Alliance Theatre Interns and produced in cooperation with the Alliance Theatre School.

*Body Politic*, the world premiere of two one-act plays by Atlanta playwright Steve Murray. Murray creates an unsettling atmosphere in these two stories, each about three people bound together by secrets, obsession and quests for power.

*Ghosts*, by Henrik Ibsen, adapted by Arthur Kopit. Two staged readings in connection with Mr. Kopit's on-campus residency.

*My Heart is Still Shaking*, a dramatic reading of a work-in-progress based on *Nisa: The Life and Works of a !Kung Woman* by Marjorie Shostak, as adapted by Brenda Bynum, featured Brenda Bynum and Carol Mitchell-Leon.

*The Greek Project: Agamemnon & Electra* directed by Tim Ocel, Associate Director of the Sacramento Theater Company, explored the House of Atreus in these classics by juxtaposing them in one performance experience.

*The Class Projects Showcase*, a series of performances given each semester to honor and celebrate the work done by students in their academic classes.

*The One-Acts in Rep*, featuring an adaptation by Tim McDonough and Janice Akers of Tim O'Brien's best-selling novel *The Things They Carried*; a Noel Coward comedy *Ways and Means; Forever Yours, Marie-Lou* by Canada's leading French-Canadian playwright Michel Tremblay; and a workshop of Heiner Müller's *Despoiled Shore*.

*Mad Forest*, a southeastern premiere of Caryl Churchill's provocative drama about the Romanian revolution, the fall of Ceausescu and the process of a society in momentous transition.

*The Winter's Tale*, Shakespeare's classic celebrating the renewal and romance of spring. Louis Rackoff, Artistic Director of the North Carolina Shakespeare Festival, returned to direct a full production, after directing a reading of the play in the Every Other Monday Series in the 1991-92 season.

Plus four student productions, three dance productions, one French production, and one Spanish production

**1992-1993**

*The Oriki of a Grasshopper and The Engagement*, written and directed by one of Nigeria's leading playwright /directors, Femi Osofisan; produced in cooperation with the National Black Arts Festival.


*The Little Prince*, a world premiere of guest artist Kenny Raskin's adaptation of the beloved classic written by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry.

The Athol Fugard Festival, presented in cooperation with the Alliance Theatre's production of *Playland* and Seven Stages' production of *My Children! My Africa!*

*Little Grey Bushes: By and About Athol Fugard and His Work*, two scripts developed from the journals, poetry and dialogue by this fascinating South African playwright and presented in a staged reading.

*Hello and Goodbye* by Athol Fugard, portraying a family reunited after many years of separation, asking if resurrection is possible despite the debris and memories of the past.
Statements After an Arrest Under the Immorality Act, a testimony and tribute to a common human bond that cannot be denied through legislation, by Athol Fugard.

The Trap, the world premiere of Frank Manley's work questioning how judgments might be made on an issue of sexual harassment in a university setting.

A Family Affair, by Alexander Ostrovsky as adapted by Nick Dear and directed by Theater Emory's guest artist Eugene Lazarev, Associate Director of Theater Mussovet in Moscow.

Put an Eagle in a Cage, a one-woman show by Norwegian actress Juni Dahr portraying a series of Ibsen's heroines. Presented in cooperation with the Cultural Olympiad of the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games and the Lillehammer Olympic Organizing Committee.

The Class Project Showcases, twelve performances to honor and celebrate the work done by students in their academic classes held at the end of each semester.

The Staged Reading Series:

Your Children from the words of Charles Manson adapted by Andrew C. Ordover. Transferred to Seven Stages following the run at Theater Emory.

many things have happened since he died and here are a few of the highlights, by Elizabeth Dewberry Vaughn. Adapted for the stage by guest artist Tom Key.

The Lear Project, three interwoven approaches to Shakespeare's tragedy.

Pizarro in Peru by R. B. Sheridan. A classic 19th-century melodrama presented in conjunction with the Southeast Nineteenth Century Studies Association.

Plus five student productions, three dance productions, and one French production

1991-1992

Caligula by Albert Camus. A deconstruction and compelling examination of an intriguing historical figure, directed by Vincent Murphy.

The Van Gogh Gallery, a theater, visual art, dance, and music event based on the life and writings of Vincent Van Gogh. Produced in cooperation with the Emory Dance Company and Jonathan Wolken of Pilobolus Dance Company.

The Good Person of Szechwan by Bertolt Brecht. A masterful parable about the cruel opposition between the haves and the have-nots, directed by Tim Ocel.

Enough by Samuel Beckett, featuring Brenda Bynum. Theater Emory was one of two U. S. companies invited to perform at the international Samuel Beckett Festival in The Hague. The play was also produced at Seven Stages following the performances in Europe.

The Emory Issues Troupe. A group of faculty, students, and alumni addressing issues related to the Emory campus through improvisational and self-scripted theater.

Every Other Monday Staged Reading Series:

Statements After an Arrest Under the Immorality Act by Athol Fugard.

Agamemnon by Aeschylus.
As I Lay Dying by William Faulkner adapted by Robert Flynn.
The Jackpot by Sholem Aleichem.

Food From Trash by Gary Leon Hill.
The Winter's Tale by William Shakespeare.
Waiting for Lefty by Clifford Odets.
The Greeks: The Sound and the Fury adapted by Brenda Bynum.
Second Linin' by Dwight Andrews.
The Miracle and Mystery Plays from the Wakefield and Other Cycles.
The Carp of Truth by Frank Manley.

Signs of Life by Joan Schenkar.

Plus twelve student productions, three dance productions, and one Spanish production

1990-1991

The Evidence by Frank Manley. A world premiere directed by guest artist Robert J. Farley.

Red Noses by Peter Barnes. A satirical solution to the ills of humankind, produced by Starving Artists Productions in cooperation with Theater Emory and Rathskellar.

Once in Europa, adapted by Jan Akers and Tim McDonough from the novel by John Berger.

American Sideshow by Andrew C. Ordover. A staged reading produced in cooperation with the Emory School of Law.

The Molière Festival:

The School for Wives, the American premiere of the Neil Bartlett translation.


Brave New Works, premiere productions, staged readings, workshops and open rehearsals to research new works for the theater:

Georgie Nobody adapted by Tim McDonough from Jules Henry's Culture Against Man.

Bad Water written and performed by guest artist Kirstein Giroux.

Ciggy Peez by Donny Levit.

The Country Between Us adapted for a staged reading from the poems by Carolyn Forché.

The Faulkner Project, a staged reading exploration from As I Lay Dying.

The Archarnians by Aristophanes in the world premiere of a new translation by Jeffrey Henderson.
Plus ten productions staged by student groups, two dance productions, and one French production

1989-1990

A Midsummer Night's Dream by William Shakespeare. A contemporary and sensual staging of this treasured classic.

Away by Michael Gow. A southeast premiere of the work of one of Australia's most popular playwrights played in repertory with Shakespeare's classic that inspired it.

The Evidence, a staged reading of a new play by Frank Manley.

A Child's Christmas in Wales by Dylan Thomas. Produced in cooperation with Theatre Gael.

Black Witness, a dramatic collage from the life and writings of James Baldwin; compiled by Vincent Murphy and Bob Devin Jones.

The Beckett Project: A Stain on the Silence, seven plays by Samuel Beckett in a performance conceived and directed by Brenda Bynum.

Persians, by Aeschylus. A staged reading in cooperation with the Emory Museum.

Dreaming with an AIDS Patient, by Jon Lipsky from Robert Bosnak's book of the same name about the triumphant power of the unconscious mind.

The Seagull, Theater Emory's first production of the work of the great Russian playwright Anton Chekhov.

Theater Outreach, a project of theater-in-the-schools under the direction of John Stephens.

A Children's Musical, a collaboration with Ad Hoc Productions brought theater to neighboring elementary schools.

The Responses, a staged reading of a new work by David Cole.

Plus ten student productions, two dance productions, and one Music Department production.

1988-1989

Sea Marks by Gardner McKay, produced in cooperation with Theatre Gael.

All's Well That Ends Well by William Shakespeare. A tender comedy featuring Brenda Bynum and John Purcell.

But Do I Want What We Have Got?, a staged reading of selections from Roswitha of Gandersheim and Gertrude Stein adapted by Michael Evenden.

A Child's Christmas in Wales by Dylan Thomas, produced in cooperation with Theatre Gael.

The House of Bernarda Alba by Federico García Lorca, directed by guest director Carol E. Miles.

Faith Healer by Brian Friel, produced in cooperation with Theatre Gael.

Moby Dick--Rehearsed adapted by Orson Welles from the Herman Melville novel.

Da by Hugh Leonard, produced in cooperation with Theater Gael.
1987-1988

_Happy Days_ by Samuel Beckett, featuring Brenda Bynum and Del Hamilton.

_The Trial of Aaron Burr_, by Andrew C. Ordover. A staged reading of this new work in cooperation with the Emory School of Law.


_A Child's Christmas in Wales_, by Dylan Thomas, produced in cooperation with Theater Gael for the holiday season.

_The Dispute_, by Marivaux. A student production under the direction of guest artist, Laurence Maslon, played in connection with the French Department's production of _La Colonie_.

_Juno and the Paycock_ by Sean O'Casey, produced in cooperation with Theater Gael.

_King Solomon_, book, music and lyrics by Bobby Paul. The world-premiere of a new musical produced in cooperation with Ad Hoc Productions, Inc.

_The Good Soldier Schweyk_ by Bertolt Brecht. Directed by guest artist Lawrence Maslon.

1986-1987

_The Trial of Dan White_ from _Execution of Justice_ by Emily Mann. A staged reading in cooperation with the Emory School of Law.

_Brand_, by Henrik Ibsen, a rarely staged poetic drama produced in Cannon Chapel.

_Isabella, Three Ships and a Con Man_, the U.S. premiere of this work by Dario Fo.

_Women, Women_, three monologues by Franca Rame and Dario Fo.

_Fellow Creatures_, three short plays by Franca Rame and Dario Fo.

_Performance: Iliad_, a dramatic reading adapted from Homer by Rush Rehm.

_What Now?_, a new play by guest artists Danny Anderson and Anny Vind.

_The Mysteries_, a contemporary adaptation by Andrew C. Ordover of the medieval miracle plays.

_The Alchemist_, a contemporary look at Ben Jonson's classic.

1985-1986

_Prior Engagements_, a world premiere of a new work by Frank Manley.

_Two Masters_ by Frank Manley, a revival from the previous season.


_Curse of the Starving Class_ by Sam Shepard.

_St. Joan of the Stockyards_ by Bertolt Brecht and Kurt Weill.
1984-1985

*Two Masters,* the world premiere of a play by Frank Manley, winner of the Great American Play Contest of the Humana Festival, Actors Theatre Louisville.

*Endgame* and *Catastrophe* by Samuel Beckett.

*Force of Habit* by Thomas Bernhard, an American premiere.

*Mad Dog Blues* by Sam Shepard.

*The Provok'd Wife* by John Van Brugh.

1983-1984

*Desecration and the Lover's Night,* a collection of one-act plays by Strindberg, Yeats, Cocteau, Kroetz, and Oyamo.

*Commedia Cabaret* an all student production under the direction of Sandra Hughes, founder of The Great American Mime Experiment.

*Ubu Rex* by Alfred Jarry.

*A Midsummer Night's Dream* by William Shakespeare.

1982-1983

*Everyman* - an experimental adaptation of the medieval text.

*Distraughter & the Great Panda Scandal* by Oyamo.

*Hecuba* by Euripides as translated by William Arrowsmith.