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Innovative director with a passion for musical storytelling, aiming to lead groundbreaking productions that blend tradition with fresh perspectives, prioritize joyful collaboration, and foster a vibrant and inclusive theatrical community.

INDIEWORKS THEATRE COMPANY | NYC | 2015 - Present  
Founder & Producing Artistic Director

BITE-SIZED BROADWAY | NYC | 2019 - Present  
Creative Director/Resident Director

## musical theatre

(\*World Premiere)

A CHRISTMAS CAROL (Menken/Ahrens)	Director	The Wick Theatre
BONNIE & CLYDE	Director/Choreographer	Stagedoor Manor
ONCE UPON A MATTRESS	Director	Stagedoor Manor
THRILL ME: THE LEOPOLD & LOEB STORY	Director	Island City Stage
OKLAHOMA!	Director/Choreographer	Osceola High School
CAROUSEL	Director/Choreographer	Osceola High School
TOY BOX*	Director/Dramaturg	IndieWorks Theatre Co.
THE GIANT HOAX*	Director	IndieWorks Theatre Co./Visceral Entertainment
EMPTY FRAMES*	Director	IndieWorks Theatre Co.
THE COMMUTERS...*	Director	Calendar Boys Productions
<small>(Winner of BEST DIRECTOR and AUDIENCE FAVORITE awards, Nominated for BEST MUSICAL in the Strawberry Theatre Festival, 2016)</small>		
YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN	Director	Muchadu Productions
LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS	Director	Muchadu Productions
CLOSER THAN EVER	Director	Pinellas County Center for the Arts
INTO THE WOODS, JR.	Director/Choreographer	Largo Cultural Arts Center
YOSEF: A NEW MUSICAL*	Director/Dramaturg	Born Entertainment

## plays

(\*World Premiere)

THE LONG WEEKEND	Director	Pigs Do Fly Productions
CASPER, THE NOT-SO-FRIENDLY GHOST*	Director	IndieWorks Theatre Co.
VANITIES: A COMEDY IN THREE SCENES	Director	Muchadu Productions
HOW ALFO LEARNED TO LOVE*	Asst. Director (dir. Robert Funaro)	Al Dente Productions
THE WEDDING WARRIOR*	Assoc. Director (dir. Elena Maria Garcia)	Fly Away Balloon Productions
TWO BOYS IN A BED ON A COLD WINTER'S NIGHT	Assoc. Director (dir. Jerry Jensen)	Rising Action Theatre
THE LEGEND OF SLEEPY HOLLOW	Assoc. Director (dir. Ben Tostado)	Rodeph Shalom Middle School

## staged readings

SOPHIA AND THE BEE-MAN (2024)	Director	IndieWorks Theatre Co./Judith Manocherian LLC
SOPHIA AND THE BEE-MAN (2022)	Director	IndieWorks Theatre Co./Judith Manocherian LLC
THE GIANT HOAX	Director	IndieWorks Theatre Co./Gallery Players
EVANGELINE: A CURIOUS JOURNEY	Assist. Director (dir. Chase Gosselin)	Davenport Theatrical Enterprises

## cabarets/concerts

DIRTY LITTLE DITTIES	Director/Concept	IndieWorks Theatre Co.
KIT GOLDSTEIN GRANT & FRIENDS!	Director	IndieWorks Theatre Co.
SONGWRITER'S SHOWCASE VOLS 1 & 2	Director	Playlight Theatre Co.
LET'S HEAR IT FOR THE BOYS!	Director	Calendar Boys Productions

## film, podcast, other media

VALLEY HIGH MUSIC VIDEO	Director/Screenplay	Calendar Boys Productions/Jeremy Terry Productions
BITE-SIZED BROADWAY SEASONS 1 & 2 (18 Episodes)	Creative/Resident Director	IndieWorks Theatre Co./Judith Manocherian LLC
<small>(Winner of 12 Awards including the W3 Award, Communicator Award, and Vega Awards for BEST ENTERTAINMENT PODCAST SERIES, 2022; the W3 Award and Communicator Award for BEST REMOTE PRODUCTION SERIES, 2022; and the W3 Award and Vega Award for BEST SCRIPTED FICTION Series, 2022)</small>		

## training

PINELLAS COUNTY CENTER FOR THE ARTS (2000-2003) MAJOR: Musical Theatre; MINOR: Playwriting & Directing  
CLASSES & WORKSHOPS: Karen Kohlhaas (Atlantic Theatre Co.), Kimberly Senior (Primary Stages), Theater Resources Unlimited  
ALUMNUS: TRU's Producer Development Mentorship Program 2022; The Business of Broadway

## strengths & skills

- Collaborative, communicative, confident, curious, detail-oriented, focused, open-minded, and organized
- Effective collaborator with creative and production teams across all stages of development and production
- Committed to fostering safe, inclusive, and open rehearsal and work environments while encouraging artistic excellence
- Brings multidisciplinary experience in producing, acting, writing, marketing, stagecraft, design, and music
- Specializes in musical theatre, musical comedies, family musicals, and dark, intimate thrillers
- Experience as a lead and executive producer in the New York and South Florida markets
- Member of Actors' Equity Association

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