



Melissa Kate Miller

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Melissa is a teaching artist in the fields of creative writing, theater, theater improvisation, poetry, and music.

Her experience is built on a career in theater, jazz performance, and nearly 20 years' experience teaching young people in a multitude of settings, including classroom, camp, after-school and military settings, at ages ranging from pre-school through adult, with youth of all educational levels and a special focus on those with special needs.

Experience

Three 2 Go Music Alliance 2012 - Current

Senior Vice-President, Arts Education

Live performance production, Songwriting and publishing, local and national entertainment services for military outlets

Melissa Kate Productions – The Benched Players 2006-Current

Owner

Songwriting, song publishing, live performance, theater production, arts education, theater improvisation

Teaching Artist 2001-Current

Independent Contractor

Arts in education programs in Theater, Drama, Improvisation, Creative Writing, Poetry, Music with the following companies:

- Young Audiences of Western New York
- Young Audiences of Rochester
- Sports & Arts Foundation, New York City
- Arts in Education of Western New York, Buffalo
- Gatehill Day Camp, Peekskill, NY
- Lancaster Opera House, Lancaster, NY
- St. Luke's production of *Cinderella*
- Villa Maria's summer camp production of *101 Dalmations*
- St. Ambrose Middle School in Lackawanna, NY, productions of *Oliver* and *Cinderella* (choreography)

Substitute Classroom Teacher, Aide, 1-1 Assistant

- Buffalo Public Schools 2017-Current
- Park School 2017
- Gateway Longview 2004-2013

Other Information:

- Co-founder of Cobblestone Productions, Inc. a non-profit theater company in NYC through 2000
- International recording artist with Van Taylor Production, Three2Go Music Alliance, current
- U.S. Director for Artfully Aware, Inc.: Sustainable Empowerment through the Arts through 2012
- Arts in Education director for BullLion Entertainment, Van Taylor Productions, Inc., current
- Advisory Board, Buffalo Music Hall of Fame, current
- Member of Zonta Club of Buffalo, Zonta International, current

Education

BFA Musical Theater, State University of New York College at Fredonia

Additional Training:

- Arts in Education of WNY's week-long TAMP workshop intensive through the Lincoln Center Institute
- Barry Shapiro's Voiceover and Film Acting workshops, NYC
- Barry Harris's Jazz Vocal workshops, NYC
- The Voice Squad of WNY, voiceover workshops