

# Noëlle GM Gibbs

Theatre Director | New Works Developer

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## MAINSTAGE DIRECTING

*Persephone: A New Play with Music (Premiere)*  
*I & You*  
*Distracted*  
*US Drag*  
*Proof*  
*A Midsummer Night's Dream*  
*The Servant of Two Masters*  
*Finding the Sun*  
*The Wizard of Oz*  
*The Little Mermaid*  
*Cabaret*  
*Once Upon a Mattress*

Portola Valley Theatre Conservatory  
City Lights Theatre Company  
Portola Valley Theatre Conservatory  
Dragon Theatre  
Portola Valley Theatre Conservatory  
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Long Wharf Theatre Stage II Production  
Portola Valley Theatre Conservatory  
Portola Valley Theatre Conservatory  
UC San Diego  
UC San Diego

## ASSISTANT DIRECTING

*The Old Man and the Sea (Premiere)*  
*Coming Home (Premiere)*  
*Tir Na Nog (Premiere)*  
*Monkey Room (Premiere)*  
*A Civil War Christmas (West Coast Premiere)*  
*Romeo and Juliet*  
*Much Ado About Nothing*

Long Wharf Theatre  
Long Wharf Theatre  
Magic Theatre  
Magic Theatre  
TheatreWorks Silicon Valley  
Shakespeare Santa Cruz  
Shakespeare Santa Cruz  
Eric Ting  
Gordon Edelstein  
Chris Smith  
Mark Routhier  
Robert Kelley  
Kim Rubinstein  
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## STAGED READINGS OF NEW PLAYS

International Short Plays Festival  
*Candelabrum* by Max Tachis  
*Week* by Barry Eitel  
*A Handful of White Petals* by Deema K. Shehabi

City Lights Theatre Company (Upcoming)  
City Lights Theatre Company  
Theatre Bay Area Annual Conference  
Arabian Shakespeare Company

## COLLABORATIVE NEW WORK DEVELOPMENT & DEVISING

Company Member  
*Our company develops sketches, musicals, dances, physical theatre performances, and dramatizations that are performed in conference settings for groups of up to 5,000 and offer workshops in story development & collaborative theatre making*  
Goose Chase Inc., 1999-Present

Page-to-Stage Director  
*An annual week-long project that guides a group of students through a playwriting and editing process beginning with a blank page and resulting in a performance of their fully scripted original piece*  
Portola Valley Theatre Conservatory, 2010-2015

Once on an Island  
*The culmination of a semester's worth of studying various European approaches to devising and physical theatre created in collaboration with fourteen peers*  
Academia dell'Arte, Arezzo, Italy

## DRAMATURGY

*A Civil War Christmas (Premiere)*  
*Tir Na Nog (Premiere)*  
*Puah's Midwife Crisis (Premiere)*  
*Hughie*  
*Bad Dates*  
*The Glass Menagerie*  
*Our Town*  
*The Diviners*

Long Wharf Theatre  
Magic Theatre  
Portola Valley Theatre Conservatory  
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## STAFF POSITIONS

Producing Artistic Director

Portola Valley Theatre Conservatory, 2016-Present

Associate Artistic Director

Portola Valley Theatre Conservatory, 2009-2016

Key accomplishments during my time at PVTC:

- Provided leadership and fostered a collaborative relationship with the PVTC Board to set an ongoing vibrant, dynamic vision for PVTC
- Increased budget by 59% from \$220k to \$350k through donations, grants, fundraising events, and revamped programming
- Engaged in season planning for nine years with artistic team, including two original MainStage shows that were completely developed and produced within PVTC
- Created a Managing Director position and hired 40+ teaching artists and designers
- Directed seven critically acclaimed MainStage productions, including:
  - A site-specific version of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* in which the audience, led by servants of the House of Theseus, traveled from scenes that began in the theatre to scenes played in a magical redwood forest, the chancel of a church, on a rooftop, and finally became guests on an open air patio for the wedding reception of Theseus and Hippolyta
  - A production of Lisa Loomer's *Distracted* that began a dialogue in our community about supporting families who struggle with learning differences, particularly ADHD
- Supported MainStage productions as a choreographer, designer, production manager, or technician
- Directed and/or choreographed over 50 fully staged children's and youth productions, including ten original and adapted student works and two 24-hour musicals
- Annually designed and taught beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels of weekly acting training for 150 students from PreK-high school. This training also included exposure to areas of design, opportunities for development of new work, and five fully produced summer productions.
- Developed and increased our internship program for 30 high schoolers in the areas of directing, choreography, arts administration, and design
- Designed & implemented a college apprenticeship program to give students studying theatre education a hands-on opportunity to practice their craft and receive mentorship during the summer

## TEACHING

Director/Writer/Choreographer

Portola Valley Theatre Conservatory, 2007-Present

Acting Teacher & Director

Crystal Springs Uplands School, 2014-2016

Playing with Poetry Teaching Artist

TheatreWorks Silicon Valley, 2009-2010

Artsbridge Theatre Scholar

UC San Diego, 2006-2007

## HONORS & AWARDS

Best Direction of a Play Nominee for *I & You*

Theatre Bay Area, 2015

TITAN Directing Award Winner

Theatre Bay Area, 2014

Dr. Milton D. Saier, Sr. Memorial Award

UCSD Department of Theatre & Dance, 2007

John L. Stewart Award for Outstanding Leadership in Humanities and the Arts, UCSD 2007

Chancellor's Scholarship for Research in the Arts & Humanities, UCSD 2006

## EDUCATION & TRAINING

B.A.'s in Theatre & Dance (Summa Cum Laude),

UC San Diego, 2007

Long Wharf Theatre, New Haven, CT

Artistic Resident, 2008-2009

Literary Intern

Magic Theatre, San Francisco, CA, 2007-2008

Advanced Training Leading Artists to Success (Directing)

Theatre Bay Area, 2014

Leadership and Governance in Nonprofits

Stanford University

Commedia, Clowning, Physical Theatre, Devising

Academia dell'Arte, Arezzo, Italy

Shakespeare Intensive

Stratford-Upon-Avon & London, UK through UCLA

Greek Masks & Chorus Work

Athens & Hydra Island, Greece through UC Davis

Summer Seminar for High School Juniors

Oregon Shakespeare Festival