

ALEXANDRA MONTAGNESE

(SHE/HER) ACTRA / CAEA

CREATION / DIRECTION

2023	Freddie Stories	Puppet Director	Branksome Hall / Melissa Shaddick
2022	A Christmas Carol	Puppet Director	Shaw Festival Theatre / Molly Atkinson
2022	Romeo & Juliet	Director	Shakespeare in Action
21-22	A Short History of Niagara	Creator / Puppeteer	Shaw Festival Theatre / Mike Petersen / Tim Carroll
17-22	Concrete Cabaret	Curator / Puppeteer	Concrete Cabaret (Puppet Slam Toronto)
2022	Artist Ateliers	Creator / Puppeteer	Wee Festival / Lynda Hill
2022	The White Plague	Co-Director	Glendon College Performance Course / Gabriel Levine
2021	Moby A Whale of a Tale	Director	Pirate Life Toronto
2018	Public Mischief	Creator / Performer	Public Mischief / Montreal, Kingston Fringe
2016	My Silly Yum!	Creator / Puppeteer	Jot and Tittle Collective / FringeKids!

PUPPETRY

2023	Old Man and the River	Puppeteer	Wee Festival / Lynda Hill
2022	INSTASHOW PUPPETS	Puppeteer	Common Boots Theatre / Derek Kwan
2021	Flush	Puppet Coach	Shaw Festival Theatre / Royal George / Tim Carroll
2020	Night Cows	Puppeteer	Wildside Festival / Centaur Theatre / Katey Wattam
2019	Origins of Shadows	Puppeteer	Chinese New Year Festival / Annie Katsura Rollins
2018	Lost and Found	Puppeteer	School Tour / Theatre Direct / Lynda Hill
2015	As Sure as the Seasons	Puppeteer	Ward's Island Fire Parade / Shadowland / Anne Barber
2015	The Hollow Square	Puppeteer	Toronto Fringe Fest / Shadowland / Anne Barber

SELECT THEATRE

2022	InstaShow	Ensemble	Common Boots / Derek Kwan
2020	A Midsummer Night's Dream	Demetrius	Theatre Rusticle / Allyson McMackon
2020	Brain Storm	Dr. Penfield	Lucid Ludic / Taliesin McEnaney
2019	Crimes of the Heart	Chick	Watermark Theatre / Charlotte Gowdy
2019	Boeing Boeing	Gabriella	Watermark Theatre / Robert Tsonos
2019	What a Young Wife Ought to Know	Alma	Theatre Kingston / Rosemary Doyle
2019	Suddenly Shakespeare	Ensemble	Shakespeare in Action / Michael Kelly
2018	Macbeth	Lady Macbeth	Shakespeare in Action / David DiGiovanni
2017	Three Sisters	Irina	York University / Tanja Jacobs
2017	Alkestis	Alkestis	York University / Matthew Earnest
2016	Hamlet	Ophelia	York University / Theresa Ohanian
2016	Call Me God	Genija	York University / Alastair Newton
2014	Kafka's Ape	Mrs. Redpeter	Infini theatre / Summerworks / Guy Sprung
2014	Bird Brain	The Queen	1000 Islands Playhouse Tour / Charlotte Gowdy
2013	Love U Lovecraft	Karen	The Other Theatre / Stacey Christodoulou

FILM / TV

2021	MOSI & MOO	Puppeteer	The Idea Kiosk / Sarina Condello
2017	Close This Door!	Jess	UTRCA Productions / Erik Berg
2014	Midnight Swing	Puppeteer	Kes Tangey Productions / Kes Tangey

AWARDS

2022 Dora Mavor Moore Awards Outstanding Direction and Outstanding Production: Moby: A Whale of a Tale
2022 Newton Award Professional Development: Shaw Festival
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2020 Dora Mavor Moore Award Nomination: Outstanding Performance by an Individual: Suddenly Shakespeare
2019 Dora Mavor Moore Award Nomination: Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble: Midsummer Night's Dream
2018 Toronto Fringe Festival Cutting Edge Award for Brain Storm
2018 Pick of the Fest Storefront Fringe for solo show Public Mischief
2016 Pick of the Fest Storefront Fringe for puppet show My Silly Yum!

FACILITATION / TEACHING

2022 Toronto School of Puppetry Teacher
2022 Talk back Moderator Tarragon Theatre for Orphan Muses puppet show
Puppet Instructor:
 Toronto Metropolitan University, Concordia University, Glendon College, Shaw Festival Intensive,
 Branksome Hall, Private Workshops, Highschool Students.
2018-2021 Shakespeare in Action Program Facilitator (Puppetry, Acting)
2021 Wee Fest Puppetry Workshops Early Childhood Educators 2021
2020 Glendon College Audition Prep Workshop
2019 Watermark Theatre Puppetry Workshop 2019
2017 York University Introduction to Acting 2017
2016 York University Acting for Non-Majors
2014 Young People's Theatre Writer's Bloc Youth Playwriting

TRAINING

Acting Movement, Voice, Text: York University MFA. McGill BA. National Voice Intensive.
Mediation: Herzing College for Professionals Certificate in Alternative Conflict Resolution
Improv: Studio Series House Team, Bad Dog Theatre (various instructors).
Puppetry: Pierre Robitaille, Magali Chouiard, Peter Balkwill, Jim Morrow, Ann and David Powell Puppetmongers, Ingrid Hansen, Mike Petersen. Shadowland, Clea Minaker.
Film: The Dirt Underneath John Gordon