# Kierstan Kathleen Conway

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#### Professional Theatre | Performance

Mother Courage and Her Children	Kattrin	Ensemble Theatre	Rebecca Moseley & Ian Hinz
Wait Until Dark	Susan Hendrix	French Creek Theatre	Anne McEvoy
Enemy of the People	Petra	Ensemble Theatre	Rebecca Moseley
Winter Wonderettes	Missy	French Creek Theatre	Cole Rector & Rosie Bresson
A View from the Bridge *	u/s Catherine/Bea	Cain Park	Celeste Cosentino
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Toothpaste Millionaire

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Kate Talespinner/Borderlight Ananias Dixon

Lysander French Creek Theatre Casey Venema

Marie Curie Horror Story \* Woman Borderlight Fringe Chris Szajbert (Holly Holsinger, lead artist)

### Bachelor of Arts | Cleveland State University | August 2019-December 2022 | GPA 3.96

❖ Theatre & French Major, Anthropology Minor, Mandel Honors College (Scholars Student) Study Abroad with IES Abroad Nantes Cultural & Language Immersion Fall 2021

#### Educational Theatre | Performance

Richard III	Richard III	Cleveland State University	Toby Vera Bercovici
Sweeney Todd *	Ensemble, u/s Mrs. Lovett	Cleveland State University	Holly Holsinger & Russ Borski
The Moors	Moor Hen	Cleveland State University	Toby Vera Bercovici
Into the Woods	Florinda	Cleveland State University	Russ Borski
<i>MOLIÈRE</i>	Dom Juan, Lucinde, Angelique	Théâtre de la Ruche	Bertrand Pineau

### \* Dialect Coaching (See Performances Above)

- ❖ Sweeney Todd, British RP/Cockney/Irish Dialects, 2022
- \* Marie Curie Horror Story, French/Polish, 2023
- ❖ A View from the Bridge, Brooklyn/Italian, 2024

#### **Teaching Artist**

#### **❖** Dobama Theatre in Cleveland:

- > Teaching Artist for the Young Playwrights Program, 2023-present
- Performer in Marilyn Bianchi Kids Playwriting Festival, 2025

#### **Beck Center for the Arts:**

- ➤ Instructor for Introductory Acting, Early Childhood Acting, Accents/Dialects, and Advanced Acting for ages 3-18, 2023-present
- ➤ Director for Pre-Teen Youth Production, Holy Mother of Bingo, Winter of 2025

### **❖** French Creek Theatre

- ➤ Instructor for Shakespeare Studio and Winter Youth Theatre Camp
- Costume Designer/Instructor for Summer Theatre Camp, Annie Jr., 2025

#### **Cleveland State University:**

> Teaching Assistant for Holly Holsinger, Voice and Speech & Tama Engleking, Introductory French

#### **Playwrighting**

- ❖ Six Lovers in Search of a Killer, full length, read at Ensemble Theatre's Colombi New Works Festival, March 2025
- \* The Murder of Roger Ackroyd: A Radio Play Adaptation, performed at French Creek Theatre, April 2025
- ❖ Critter Crew Puppet Shows, performed at French Creek Theatre & Borderlight Fringe Festival, 2024-2025
- Mad Tea, one act, in progress for French Creek Theatre New Works Workshop in 2026

### Additional Theatrical Work Experience:

- ❖ Cultural Arts and Nature Intern, French Creek Theatre, 2024-present:
  - Assisting with props design, set decoration, scenic painting, and costume design; teaching for educational programs; creating community programming; assisting with social media marketing; organizing and photographing promotional photos for productions; and coordinating and writing Puppet Shows. Developing and running the first New Works Playwriting Workshop in Spring of 2026.
- ♦ Marketing Assistant/House Photographer/House Manager/Volunteer Coordinator at Cain Park, 2024-2025
  - ➤ Organized and managed volunteer Corp for Concerts/Festivals/Theatre Performances; Assisted with social media and marketing for the season; photographed all events; communicated with tour teams about marketing needs; assisted with operational tasks for the betterment of the park

### Misc. Related Experience

- ♦ Character Performer for Kringle's Inventionasium 2019-2024
- \* Cast Member, Northeast Ohio Creatives (Merida, Ariel, Elsa, Cinderella, and more) 2016-2023
- Production photography credits at French Creek Theatre, Cleveland State University, and Ensemble Theatre
- ♦ Long Term Substitute Teacher for Intervention Specialist at Westview Elementary, January-April 2024

## Theatre | Training

#### **Cleveland State**

Grotowski & Fitzmaurice Voice, Holly Holsinger and Michael Chekhov, Toby Vera Bercovici

### Shakespeare & Company: Summer Month Long Intensive 2022

- Linklater Voice, Stage Violence, Elizabethan Dance, Elizabethan World Picture, and more
- ❖ Final Showcase, Act III Scene ii Troilus & Cressida, Cressida

### Research Papers

#### Published in the Cleveland Downtown Review:

- ❖ Dramaturgical Research on Senecan Theatre in *Phaedre* 
  - > Phaedra: The Influence and History of a Dramaturgical Mystery
  - https://engagedscholarship.csuohio.edu/tdr/vol9/iss1/1
- Theatrical Manifesto "An Introduction to Theatre of Omniscience"
  - https://engagedscholarship.csuohio.edu/tdr/vol7/iss2/2

#### Honors

- Outstanding Scholar Class of Fall 2022, Deans & Presidents List 2019-2022, College of Arts & Sciences CSU
- Anthropology Minor Award and Marquis de Lafayette Award for French Excellence, CSU
- ❖ KCACTF Irene Ryan Nominee for Acting (Richard III in Richard III)
- CSU Scholarships: Betty Wall Waetjen Scholarship, Darwin & Myra Scholarship for Study Abroad, President's Scholarship, and Bonnie & Peter Racquet High Impact Learning Fund

#### Collegiate Extra-Curricular Activities

- President, Cleveland State Improvisation Troupe
- ❖ Student Representative for the Department of Theatre & Dance (2020-2021)
- Vice President, CSU French Club
- Secretary, CSU Academic Team, Competitors at NAQT Virtual Nationals Spring 2021
- ♦ Member of CSU Viking Crew, 3rd Place Head of the Cuyahoga Regatta Fall 2019

#### **Special Skills**

- Cockney, British RP, Brooklyn, Transatlantic, Scottish, Irish, and French (Will readily learn more)
- ❖ Intermediate-High in French
- ❖ IPA Proficient (Standard American English & Standard French)
- ♦ Celebrity Impressions: Audrey Hepburn, Katherine Hepburn, Jennifer Coolidge, Kristen Wiig & More