

Aurora Behlke

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Aurora is an Alaska raised, London based educator, musician, and theatremaker. She specializes in making multi-medium theatre for audiences of all ages, intertwining her music, craftsmanship, and prose into playful performances.

In the classroom, she uses the arts to focus on teaching literacy and oracy, drawing on her history with Alaskan storytelling to give students unique avenues to curate their creative voice. She specializes in building and teaching curriculum centering playwriting, creative writing, and integrated arts.

Training & Membership

Rose Bruford College: MFA Theatre for Children & Young People, class of 2027

❖ Studying how integrating theatre in classrooms can support literacy & communication

Sargeant Conservatory of Theatre Arts at Webster University: BA Theatre Direction, class of 2023

High School Diploma: Roosevelt High School, class of 2019, Seattle, WA.

Japanese Language Studies: 13 years, Japanese Immersion Program, Anchorage, AK.

Active member of the Dramatist Guild since 2022

Teaching

<i>Building Community Through Drama</i>	Metro Theater Company	2023-2025, St. Louis, MO.
Teaching Artist Fellow	Metro Theater Company	2023-2024, St. Louis, MO.
Teaching Artist (Playwriting)	St. Louis Rep.	2024-2025, St. Louis, MO.
Teaching Artist (Playwriting)	Perseverance Theatre	2024-2025, Juneau, AK.
Teaching Artist (Early Childhood)	Center of Creative Arts	2023-2025, St. Louis, MO.
Teaching Artist (Devising)	Taproot Theatre	2020-2022, Seattle, WA.
Underground History Tour Guide	Beneath the Streets	2021-2022, Seattle, WA.

Directing

<i>Rain and Zoe Save the World</i>	By Crystal Skillman	Sargeant Conservatory, 2023
<i>Mr. Burns, a Post Electric Play</i>	By Anne Washburn	Young Americans Theatre Company, 2019, Seattle, WA. *Winner: TeenTix Teens Run the World Award, 2020, Seattle, WA.
<i>Fefu and her Friends</i> (Lab)	By María Irene Fornés	Sargeant Conservatory, 2022
<i>Walden</i> (Lab)	By Amy Berryman	Sargeant Conservatory, 2021
<i>Urinetown</i> (AD)	Dir. Jamie McKittrick	Sargeant Conservatory, 2022
<i>The Gradient</i> (AD)	Dir. Amelia Acosta-Powell	Repertory Theatre of St. Louis, 2021
<i>Deadly</i> (AD)	Dir. Caesar Samayoa	Sargeant Conservatory, 2020 (digital)

Playwriting & Dramatic Writing

Founders, Keepers

Upcoming: Alaska Theatre of Youth, Fall 2026, Anchorage, AK.
Perseverance Theater, 2024, Juneau, AK.
University of St. Andrews, 2024, St. Andrews, Scotland

- **Winner:** Best of the Season

Young Americans Theatre Company, 2022, Seattle, WA.
Echo Theatre Company, 2022, Dallas, TX.

- **Winner:** Big Shout Out Playwriting Award
- Written up as a show of note in the USA Dramatist's Guild Magazine, July/August Edition, 2023

Workshop: Valdez Theatre Conference, 2023, Valdez, AK.

Confetti Kids

Upcoming: Slightly Askew Theatre Ensemble, 2026, St. Louis, MO.
Originally commissioned by St. Louis Shakespeare Festival for the Confluence Regional Writers Project in 2024-2025

The Inferno Is For B*tches

Rose Bruford BruFest, London, 2026
Slightly Askew Theatre Ensemble: Aphra Behn Festival, 2025
- Remounted in 2026 for the 10th Anniversary Festival

Thank You, Porcupine

***Semi-Finalist:** Samuel French Off-Off-Broadway Fest, 2022, NYC.

A Fluxus Workbook

Int'l Award for Improper Dramaturgy, Vibrating Body Theatre Co. 2023

Lieblingstante

Slightly Askew Theatre Ensemble: Aphra Behn Festival, 2023

Epic!

Sargeant Conservatory of Theatre Arts, 2022, St. Louis, MO.

Say Something.

Metro Theater Company Resident Writer, 2024-2025

Do Something!

Music

<i>The Winter's Tale</i> (Schools Tour)	Deviser / Accordion	Primary Shakespeare Company, 2026
<i>The Winter's Tale</i> (Sensory show)	Leontes / Accordion	Primary Shakespeare Company, 2026
<i>The Inferno Is For B*tches</i>	Heaven / Accordion	Rose Bruford Brufest, 2026
<i>Worm Teeth</i>	Composer / Accordion	Edinburgh Festival Fringe, Fall 2024
<i>Who's Asking?</i> Band	Accordion / Vocals	St. Louis, 2023-2024

Puppets

<i>The Winter's Tale</i> (Schools Tour)	Puppet maker	Primary Shakespeare Company, 2026
<i>Guy and the Fly</i>	Deviser / Puppeteer	Rose Bruford College, 2026
Bernie the Dog (Walkabout)	Puppeteer	Rose Bruford College, 2026

References

Jamie McKittrick
Hailey Medrano
(emails available by request)

Skills

Accordion • Trumpet • Music Theory • Puppet Maker & Puppeteer
Curriculum Building • Literacy Education • Active DBS
Fluent Japanese • Beginner German • Coding (HTML/CSS)