

HELEN KNUDSEN

Stage Director

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Eligible to work in US, UK, EU
(Dual Irish-US citizen)

Helen is a stage director who brings an element of play to every production she touches. Her productions always feature tight-knit ensemble and a careful balance of the sacred and profane. An experienced Shakespeare text coach with a love of music and beautiful words, Helen particularly enjoys directing classic and classical works.

DIRECTING

2024	<i>Patience</i>	College Light Opera Company (US) - Director
2024	<i>Untitled Project</i> * - upcoming	CU Scarborough (UK) - Director
2023	<i>Cymbeline</i> %*	CU Scarborough (UK) - Director & Text Coach
2022	<i>Life is Wonderful</i> *	CU Scarborough (UK) - Director
2022	<i>Pericles</i> %*	CU Scarborough (UK) - Director & Text Coach
2021	<i>Confessions</i> %*	CU Scarborough (UK) - Director
2020	<i>Runaways</i> (cancelled during casting due to COVID-19)	Piven Theatre Workshop (US) - Director
2018	<i>The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee</i> (co-dir. Brian Kulaga)	Baker Playhouse (US) - Co-Director & Music Director
2017	<i>Godspell</i> (co-dir. Kelsey Roberts)	Baker Playhouse (US) - Co-Director & Music Director
2014	<i>Bloody Bloody Andrew Jackson</i> %	Hatbox Theatrix (US) - Director & Producer
Fully produced musicals for youth company:		
2017-24	<i>The Drowsy Chaperone, Charlotte's Web, Newsies, Shrek the Musical</i>	Elmhurst Children's Theatre (US) - Director
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2009-15	<i>Ruthless, Peter Pan, Shrek the Musical, Joseph... Dreamcoat, Alice in Wonderland, You're a Good Man Charlie Brown, A Little Princess</i>	Hatbox Theatrix (US) - Director & Producer

ASSOCIATE DIRECTING & SHAKESPEARE TEXT COACHING

2022	<i>The Monk of Bramcote</i> (dir. Andrew McWilliam) %*	Chorus Theatre (UK) - Asst. Director
2021	<i>Much Ado About Nothing</i> (dir. Emma Collins) ^	Scenic City Shakespeare (US) - Asst. Dir. & Text Coach
2020	<i>Richard III</i> (dir. Emma Collins) ^	Scenic City Shakespeare (US) - Text Coach
2020	<i>Malvolio</i> (dir. Emma Collins) ^	Scenic City Shakespeare (US) - Text Coach
2019	<i>The Polar Express™ Train Ride - Los Angeles</i> % (dir. Scott Calcagno)	Warner Brothers / Rail Events (US) - Asst. Director
2019	<i>The Polar Express™ Train Ride - Oklahoma City</i> % (dir. Scott Calcagno)	Warner Brothers / Rail Events (US) - Asst. Director

* devised

% site-specific

^ virtual