

MIKE PETERSEN

eyes: **Blue** hair: **Blonde** height: **6'** weight: **170 lbs.**
born: **August 24, 1962**

EDUCATION

1980	Esquimalt High School Graduate.
1980 - 82	University of Victoria, Department of Theatre: acting: Carl Hare, John Krich voice: Linda Hardy movement: Kaz Piesowocki
1980	Mask Making: Carol Sabiston
1984	Mime: Sherry-Lee Hunter
1990	Scene Study: Carol Rosenfeld
1991	Scene Study: Kathryn Shaw
1993	Stage Combat: Jean-Francois Gangnon
1995	Physical Theatre: Tony Montanaro
2000	Directing the Camera: Lulu Keating, Stephen Reynolds
2001	Cartoon Voices: Jim Rankin, Susan Roman, Julie Lemuiex, Jesse Thompson
2003	Mask & Mime: Harro Maskow, Terry Judd, Robin Patterson
2004	Cartoon Voices: Jesse Thompson, Debra Toffan
2015	Object Manipulation: Ingrid Hansen

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

1985 TORONTO ...

Ark Ark Children's Art Centre
Puppet Making - one session

Havergale Girl's School
Puppet Making - five day workshop

1989 NOVA SCOTIA ...

AppleTree Landing Children's Centre
Puppet Making - six Saturdays

Gaelic College of Cape Breton
Found Object Puppetry, with Jim Morrow

1991 **Neptune Theatre**
Puppet Manipulation - three days

1992 TACOMA, WASHINGTON ...

Pantages Theatre
Puppetry in the Classroom - one session

NOVA SCOTIA ...

Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia
Apprentice's Curriculum - Master Class
Students: Leigh Rivenbark, Ingrid Doucette, David Carmichael

1993 **Neptune Theatre School**

- Puppet Making - two Saturdays
- 1994/95 **Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia**
Apprentice's Curriculum - Master Class
Students: Joel Hechter, Liette Legere, Amanda Parsons
- 1995 **NEW BRUNSICK ...**
- Riverview High School**
Puppet Manipulation Consultant - two days
Drama Teacher: Blaire Lawrence
- 2002/03 **ONTARIO ...**
- Theatre Beyond Words**
Mask and Drama Training Sessions for primary students throughout U.S. Ontario, and Singapore
- 2005 **LORRAINE KIMSA THEATRE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE ...**
- Puppet Consultant** Hongbu & Nolbu: The Tale of the Magic Pumpkins
Director: Allen MacInnis
Designer: Julia Tribe
Stage Manager: Robert Harding
Cast: Richard Lee, Insurp Choi, Nina Aquino, Jane Luk
- 2006 **TORONTO ...**
- Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People**
Puppetry "pre-show" workshops
Primary schools throughout Toronto
Facilitator: Aida Jordeo
- Theatre Direct Canada**
Post-show puppetry workshops - Live Animation 101
High school audiences, following matinees of "The Babysitter"
Facilitator: Lynda Hill
- 2007 **UNIONVILLE, ONTARIO ...**
- Unionville Public School**
Full-day puppetry workshop for primary grades
Facilitators: Aida Jordeo, Julie Rocha, Carol Takagi
- 2009 **INVISIBLE INC. ...**
- Puppet Consultant **Play Date**
Performer: Frank Meschkuliet
- 2010 **THEATRE DIRECT CANADA ...**
- Puppet Consultant **Amelia and the Dwarves**
Facilitator: Lynda Hill
Playwright: Erin Shields
- THOMPSON, MANITOBA ...**
- R.D. Parker Collegiate**
Two-day puppetry intensive for grades 11 / 12

Director: David Boyce

MARCHLIGHT PRODUCTIONS ...

Puppet Consultant **Kissing Swinburn**
Playwrights: Mark Huisman & Claire Francis Moore
Director: David Talbot

2011 **LORRAINE KIMSA THEATRE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE ...**

Puppet Consultant **The Big League**
Director: Mary Ellen McLean

ELDRITCH THEATRE ...

Puppet Consultant **Doc Wuthergloom's Haunted Medicine Show**
Performer: Eric Woolfe
Director: Christine Brubaker

TORONTO MASQUE THEATRE ...

Puppet Consultant **Crazy to Kill**
Director: David Ferry

2012 **LOWER OSSINGTON THEATRE ...**

Puppet Consultant **Avenue Q**
Director: Seanna Kennedy
Cast: Adam Proulx, Kira Hall, Mark Willett, Amelia Hironaka, Jazz Testoline, Phil Skala,
Adam Norrad, Shannon Dickens, Ryan Kerr, Stephen Amon

2013 **PUPPETMONGERS THEATRE ...**

Speaker / Lecturer **Fresh Ideas in Puppetry "Nothing is Obvious"**
Producers: Ann & David Powell
Puppeteers: Andy Hayward, Kira Hall

TORONTO PUBLIC LIBRARY ...

Speaker / Lecturer **Puppet Basics**
Facilitator: Jennifer Schmidt

2014 **PUPPETMONGERS THEATRE ...**

Instructor **Mouth Puppetry 101** (2-day intensive)
Instructor **Puppetry for the Camera** (2-day intensive)

HUMBER COLLEGE PUPPETRY INTENSIVE ...

Instructor **Mouth Puppetry 101** (3 hours)
Facilitator: Heather Kent

ADAM SQUARED PRODUCTIONS ...

Puppet Consultant **Baker's Dozen**
Director: Nicole Stamp
Cast: Adam Francis Proulx

OFF THE LEASH CREATIVE ...

Instructor **Mouth Puppetry 101**
Facilitator: Jeremy Webb
"The Living Room" – Halifax, Nova Scotia

THEATRE DIRECT ...

Workshop Leader **Putting Play in the Kindergarten Day**
Facilitator: Lynda Hill

YOUNG PEOPLE'S THEATRE ...

Puppet Consultant **James and the Giant Peach**
Director: Sue Minor

2015 **PUPPETMONGERS THEATRE ...**

Instructor **Mouth Puppetry 101** (1-day intensive)

TAP (TEACHING AWARENESS THROUGH PUPPETRY) ...

Workshop Leader **Puppet Basics** (a 2-day intensive)
Facilitator: Kirsten Sixt

2016 **COTTONTALE PLAY & CAFÉ ...**

Consulting Director **The Brentown Musicians**
Producer: Wendy Lapierre
Kentville, Nova Scotia

THEATRE NEW BRUNSWICK ...

Workshop Leader **Live Animation**
Facilitator: Thomas Morgan Jones

JOSEPH PATRICK PRESENTS ...

Director of Puppetry **Thanks For Being A Friend**
Director: Bruce Dow
Cast: Liana Bdewi, Jeremy Crittenden, Seanna Kennedy, Kelly McAllister, Oscar Moreno

SHERIDAN COLLEGE MUSICAL THEATRE PROGRAM ...

Puppetry Instructor **The Journey That Saved Curious George**
Director: Ann Hodges
Composer: Nicky Phillips
Script: Jen Shuber

2017 **HUMBER COLLEGE ...**

Puppetry Instructor **Four Weeks, Basic Puppetry, 2nd Year Acting Students**
Department Head: Heather Kent

YOUNG PEOPLE'S THEATRE ...

Puppet Consultant **James and the Giant Peach**

Director: Nina Lee Aquino

NIAGARA UNIVERSITY ...

Puppetry Workshop Leader - one day with the Freshmans and Juniors

PUPPETMONGERS THEATRE ...

Mouth Puppetry for the Stage - 1 day workshop

YOUNG PEOPLE'S THEATRE ...

Puppet Consultant **Munschtime!**

Director: Herbie Barnes

SHAW FESTIVAL THEATRE ...

Director of Puppetry **Wilde Tales**

Director: Christine Brubaker

Workshop Leader, **"Playing With Puppets!"**

Shaw Teachers' Day

Facilitator: Suzanne Merriam

CAMP QUALITY'S PUPPET PROGRAM ...

Workshop Leader **"Puppet Director's Workshop"**

Facilitator: Sissi Makris

ELLICSR, Toronto General Hospital

Sudbury Public Library

TAP (TEACHING AWARENESS THROUGH PUPPETRY) ...

Workshop Leader **"Puppet Basics"** (a 2-day intensive)

Facilitator: Kirsten Sixt

2018 **TORONTO SCHOOL OF PUPPETRY ...**

Workshop Leader **"Live Animation: Fun With Stuffies"** (a one-day intensive)

Facilitators: Ann & David Powell

Assistants: Ingrid Hansen, Adam Proulx

HUMBER COLLEGE ...

Instructor **"An Introduction to Live Animation"** (with Ingrid Hansen)

Basic course for 2nd year acting students

2019 **RYERSON SCHOOL OF IMAGE ARTS ...**

Puppet Consultant - **Limbs**

Director: Franci Dimitrovska

HUMBER COLLEGE ...

Instructor **"An Introduction to Live Animation"**

Basic course for 2nd year acting students

TORONTO SCHOOL OF PUPPETRY ...

Instructor **"Live Animation Basics"** (a one-day intensive)
Facilitators: Ann & David Powell

PUPPETMONGERS THEATRE PUPPETRY INTENSIVE ...

Guest Instructor **"Live Animation Basics"** (3-hour crash course)
Facilitators: Ann & David Powell

SUPERIOR THEATRE FESTIVAL ...

Instructor **"Live Animation for the Stage"** (a 6-hour master class)
Facilitator: Donna Marie Barata

SHAW FESTIVAL THEATRE ...

Instructor **"Found Object Puppetry"**
Arts Palooza for Teachers
Facilitator: Suzanne Merriam

2020 **HUMBER COLLEGE ...**

Guest Instructor - **"Basic Muppetry"** (one-class boot camp for 2nd year acting students)
Facilitator: Shawna Reiter

EMMA LAISHRAM ...

Neti Neti - script development / puppetry consultant
Writer: Emma Laishram
Director: Alison Wong

SHAW FESTIVAL THEATRE ...

Puppetry Instructor - **"Intro to Puppetry"** - new apprentice ensemble members
Facilitator: Kate Hennig
Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON

DIRECTING EXPERIENCE

1978 **ESQUIMALT HIGH SCHOOL ...**

The Frog Prince
Grade 11 Drama Project

1989 **MERMAID THEATRE ...**

The Red Ball (remount)
Cast: Rhonda McLean, Kenneth Wilson-Harrington, Sheldon Davis, Francis Kushner
Stage Manager: Alice P. Green
Original Director: Graham Whitehead

UPPER CLEMENTS PARK ...

The Fisherboy
hand puppet show for Little Red School House

1990 **MERMAID THEATRE ...**

- The Red Ball** (remount)
Cast: Rhonda McLean, Kenneth Wilson-Harrington, Alleena McDonald, Bill Forbes
Stage Manager: Helena Malton
- The Red Ball** (remount)
Cast: Krista Wells, Gay Hauser, Paul Gibson, Richard Wolf
Stage Manager: Helena Malton
- 1992 **The Ugly Duckling** (new work)
Cast: Leigh Rivenbark, Ingrid Doucette, David Carmichael
Stage Manager: Kimberly Hirtle
Music: Sandy Moore
- 1994 **BLAH BLAH TROUPE ...**
- The Emperor's New Clothes**
Cast: David McGorin & Ruth Madoc-Jones
On The Waterfront Theatre Festival, Dartmouth
- The Runner**
Cast: David McGorin & Ruth Madoc-Jones
Eastern Front Theatre, Dartmouth
- 1995 **SYMPHONIMATION PRODUCTIONS ...**
- The Shoemaker and the Elves** (worksop production)
Cast: Sherry-Lee Hunter, Mary-Ellen MacLean, Shelly Wallace, Christian Murray
Composer: Sandy Moore
Script Adaptation: Mike Petersen
- 1997 **THEATRE ANTIGONISH ...**
- 7 Stories** (student production)
Cast: Jamey MacIsaac, Nicole Van Den Hoogen, Brook McLaughlin, Heather McDonald, Liam Patrick McNamara, Pat Curry, Ryanne Chisholm, Erik Anderson, Alison McKinley, Terry Ray Armour, Travis Ferris, Rachel Anderson, Alice Hoskins
Stage Manager: Zeph Williams
The Bauer Theatre, Antigonish
- FESTIVAL ANTIGONISH ...**
- Goldilocks and the Three Bears**
Cast: Matthew Kennedy, Heather McDonald, Irene Fitzgerald, Bruce Godfrey
Stage Manager: Melanie Muzyka
Musical Director: Erin Costello
The Bauer Theatre, Antigonish
- More Munsch**
Cast: Matthew Kennedy, Irene Fitzgerald, Bruce Godfrey, Amanda Parsons
Stage Manager: Zeph Williams
Composer: Erin Costello
The Bauer Theatre, Antigonish
- 1999 **Murmel, Murmel, Mortimer, Munsch**
Cast: Lesli Chandler, Ryanne Chisholm, Jason Nichol, Jake Willet
Stage Manager: Zeph Williams
Composer: Paul Courage
The Bauer Theatre, Antigonish

Rapunzel

Cast: Lesli Chandler, Ryanne Chisholm, Jason Nichol, Jake Willet
Stage Manager: Zeph Williams
Musical Director: Paul Courage
The Bauer Theatre, Antigonish

TOOTH & CLAW PRODUCTIONS ...**It's Christmas Time Again**

(Children's Television pilot w/puppets)

Cast: Terry Angus, Jamie Bradley, Anne Carlos, Stoney Ripley
Producers: Mike Boyd, Terry Angus
Music Director: Bill Jardine

2000 **FESTIVAL ANTIGONISH ...****A Bunch More Munch**

Cast: Meredith Zwicker, Leslie Seiler, Zach Fraser, John Allen MacLean
Stage Manager: Susanna Haley
Composer: Corbie Dorner
The Bauer Theatre, Antigonish

Bugs: A Variety Show For Children

Cast: Meredith Zwicker, Leslie Seiler, Zach Fraser, John Allen MacLean
Stage Manager: Susanna Haley
Musical Director: Corbie Dorner
The Bauer Theatre, Antigonish

2016 **NATIONAL ARTS CENTRE ...****The Music of Star Wars**

Cast: Charles Ross, Emilie Fournier
Producer: Marc Stevens
Orchestra Conductor: Erik Oschner
Southam Hall, NAC, Ottawa ON

2019 **SARAH JOY BENNET ...**

Night Feed - script workshop director / puppet consultant
Writer: Sarah Joy Bennet
Cast: Ginette Mohr, Alexandra Montagnese, Sarah Joy Bennet

PUPPETWORKS ...

Puppet School: A Little Bit of Everything - writer/director/narrator
Cast: 2nd Year acting students, Humber College
Stratford, Ontario