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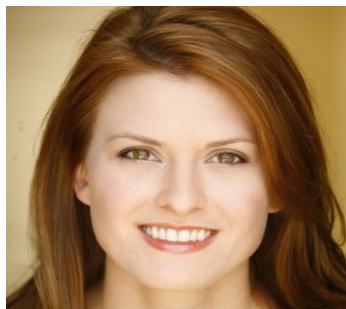
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THIS YEAR'S PROMPTS:

- ☛ Name (old and new):
- ☛ Your email address(es):
- ☛ Your website(s):
- ☛ The years you spent at LBT

- ☛ Where do you currently reside.
- ☛ Where did you go after LBT? And then what happened?
- ☛ So what's up these days?
- ☛ For whom are you responsible?
- ☛ For what act do you wish to be remembered at LBT?



'03 LAUREN (KIDD) BARRY

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- ☛ Sept 1999 – June 2003
- ☛ Chicago, IL
- ☛ After graduating from JMU in '07 with a double major in Theatre Arts/Dance and Media Arts/Design, moved to LA to try to do that whole "acting" thing with my now-husband, then-boyfriend in tow. Did some neat stuff, but really didn't like the LA scene and wanted to live in a city that I actually liked with good theatre to be done - enter Chicago. We moved back here, and I found a graphics job that I enjoy and keeps me from eating just rice cakes with peanut butter (my LA dish du jour). Have done a couple of neat theatre gigs here, LOVE the theatre scene in CHI, and am really enjoying my graphics side! Just got married in

August, 2010 to a kick-ass dude who puts up with my drama...can't ask for much more!

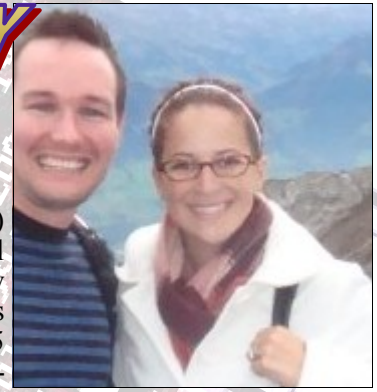
- ☛ Doing marketing and graphic design, and looking to potentially go back to school to further my skillz and eventually be able to teach! Doing some theatre on the side when I can, and certainly seeing enough of it.
- ☛ Husband - Tim Barry
- ☛ Probably Portia in Cinderella. No, it wasn't the most moving or dramatic piece of work, but it was certainly the most fun I ever had on that stage. Kids should go up there and have FUN (no. 1 priority). Do it because you love it - and if you really do, then it shows and people will love to watch you act your butt off!
- ☛ I entered freshman year theatre with the senior class of Nardone, Socha, Wahlquist, Brown, Innocenti, Leotta, etc. Pretty dang intimidating crowd for a lowly freshman - but they were wonderful! All so nice - and way talented - and just loved to be on stage with each other. I aspired to be like them in the theatre when I was in high school - in my eyes, there was nothing better than getting to be up there with your best friends and to just love the hell out of it. They were always a tough act to

'92 KAE BIEBER

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- ☛ My school's website: www.commongroundchildcare.org
- ☛ Sept. 1988- June 1992
- ☛ Reston, VA
- ☛ After high school I moved to Richmond and went to VCU for Theatre, ending up spending most my time with the dance department instead. Change in family situations (dad lost job) lead to me having to work 3 jobs and try to keep up with school my sophomore year. The jobs included: teacher for a child care center, a sound tech for a small theatre company, cleaning a country club with Rachel Miller. End result, couldn't keep up with school, dropped out, enjoyed working with kids, moved to Maryland and became a Nanny.
- ☛ Fast forward 20 years or so later. I finished school my undergraduate degree at George Mason with a B.A. in History (credit this to LB's- Mr. Hills) and one credit short of a minor in dance. The nerve, the dance department wouldn't let me take my last dance class at 7 months pregnant. Worked as a Pre-K teacher in Alexandria, VA (saw Mirabal at Springfield Kaiser a couple of times- never recognized me). Married/ divorced. Moved to Reston, started teaching at a non-profit, hugely multi-cultural school and eventually became Director. Obtained a Master's of Education in Curriculum and Instruction and have led the school to become a 4 Star Rated QRIS school, part of the VPI program, was in the "Top Rated" of Northern VA Magazine with a grade of A-, and sits on numerous committees with Fairfax County OFC for paving the way in Early Childhood Education programs in Fairfax County. I have also been found all over the area relying on my past theatre skills to engage and interest other Early Childhood Educators at my workshops- last seen at INOVA and will soon be at NVAEYC.
- ☛ The two proudest things I am responsible for: my absolutely wonderful 10 year old daughter, Bailey, who is smart, independent, artistic, beautiful, and compassionate – all things I have always wished to have in a child. (2) My school - the awards aside, it is an amazing place of love, diversity, commitment (teachers over 20+ years), and all the other sappy tree hugging concepts that Reston was built upon.
- ☛ I wish to be remembered for the Bald Soprano performance as the French Maid. Anybody who has the guts to get up on a tricycle and ride across the stage in 4 inch stilettos in a very small French Maid costume- in front of the whole school (some assembly or something) during the time the 90's super politically correct atmosphere where I could have been shunned by other Feminist friends and exiled from some Riot Grrrrlllll movement for donning such an act- which Mirabal, you seem to have forgotten about in your all Mirabal list, deserves some credit. I have the award of Best Stage Bit for that year to prove it deserves a mention!
- ☛ The person who I credit with providing the "that's who I want be" is of course, the fabulous Cari Daly. To this day, her save the world tactics, commitment, and openness has stayed with me and shapes who I am.



'99 MARY BETH CANTY



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✦ Sept. 1996 - June 1999.

✦ Arlington Heights, IL, USA.

✦ Graduated LBSS, moved to Williamsburg for college (William & Mary) where I met Chris Jones, then we moved to Arizona for law school (University of Arizona) and chemistry grad school. Then I graduated law school and moved to Vegas, and Chris stayed in Tucson finishing his Ph.D. We got married in December 2006 and lived apart for the first 2.5 years of our marriage while he finished his degree. In September and November 2008 we moved to Illinois so Chris could be a chemist.

✦ I still work for the Vegas office of my firm, and have worked at home since Thanksgiving 2008. Chris works for Baxter Healthcare. We're on the Chicago Chapter alumni boards for William & Mary and the University of Nebraska - Lincoln (yup, we never even went there).

✦ Right now we're only responsible for our awesome cocker spaniel, Toast, but on the 20th we'll be responsible for a little boy (who is already trouble!!) So no cute newborn picture for you yet.

✦ 1. This is a super hard questions, because there are a lot of things I hope people remember (because I remember so much about so many!!), but I think the thing I will always remember was playing Berthe in Pippin my senior year. I'm not a singer or a dancer, but you took a chance to cast me. I NEVER completed my solo in rehearsal. I NEVER learned the dance steps. On opening night my understudy reminded me right before the prologue began that she could step in if I wasn't up to it. But when the time came I had my parents, Janell Middleton, and my grandfather in the audience, and I knew there was no way I was giving that up. I was terrified, but I went for it. When I came to the note I couldn't hit, I went into a guttural jazz voice that I never knew I had. The house lights came up for me to get the audience into the sing along and I saw that Janell was misty-eyed and my grandfather was, too. I will always remember that moment of triumph. It may not have been the biggest role, but to this day my mom talks about how much my grandfather enjoyed it. He died a couple years ago, and that was the only show he ever saw me in, so I'm glad it was a good one. 2. My hero...There were a lot of influential people at LBT. How can we pick just one?! LBT women are amazing, so it's impossible to pick one - I wanted little pieces of everyone. I think Jason Wright made the biggest impact on me because he was a larger than life presence. He won't remember but I never forgot that after seeing "Alice in Wonderland" his senior year I asked him to the 8th grade dance. He said yes, and I was super happy. Note - I never had the balls to see if he would actually go, but the idea that he said he would let me ride high for years. His performances made me think that it was okay to go out and be free on stage - not an easy thing to do.



'97 AMY (LAWRENCE) CANNAVA

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- ☛ Sept. 1994-June 1997
- ☛ Back in Burke, VA!
- ☛ I continued my real-world rebellion for a few years down in Orlando at the University of Central Florida as a 'film-pending major'... after two years it became clear that I sucked at it and was told my screenplay was too "psychologically-driven" so I became a psych major just in time for all the psycho-dramas to make it big. I worked for Epcot Entertainment for two years and loved every minute of it... minus the herniated discs that accompanied it. I ended up loving my psych classes but realized that my job as a psychiatrist's assistant and testing coordinator at a local mental

health practice wasn't paying me much more than slave labor for the rat, so I applied to grad school. UCF required additional classes in Spanish to major in School Psychology, and the 6 years I had already taken barely enabled me to order at Taco Bell, so I decided to come back to VA and attended JMU. Somewhere along the way I started dating and married Vince who I had met at LBT and we traveled the swamp portion of the world together (i.e. Louisiana) as he served in the USAF.

☛ My position was cut due to a Reduction in Force (RIF) in June of 2010. We quickly made plans to put our stuff in storage and begged the 'rents to rent a room or two. I ended up choosing a School Psych position with Loudoun County Schools but am still waiting to hear back on my dream job with the DOD. We shall see... anyone wanna chip in for my doctorate? :-)

☛ Ah, I'm the temporary bread winner. Rigatoni Cannava, our twice-exceptional (gifted and emotionally disturbed) pure-bred mutt has been helping us beg for food on street corners, but he generally eats it all himself. Vince is a full-time student savoring his last few months on the GI Bill before it runs dry. In a couple years he should have his B.S. in Environmental Sustainability something-or-other and then maybe I can take some time off, knock out a few kids, and appease the grandparents and MBC(J) :-)

☛ Eh, fame is fleeting. My favorite role was that of House Manager - the order, control, headset... it all worked well with my OCD Type A personality. I'll skip the theatrical details because I learned that I sucked as a screenwriting major. :-)

☛ 2. Although this is not a "hero," I had stopped theatre after the Newman and Perrino years and never felt more alone and more depressed than I did my freshman year. In the spring I went to see Pippin and realized what I was missing. That fall I rejoined theatre and never felt lost again. My heroines - gianna for her ability to master anything she attempted and Erin Garland for her amazing business-savvy. I know, I know, they're contemporaries, but they outranked me thanks to my freshman slump so I don't know that I thought of them as peers until later. elizabeth for her take-no-crap attitude and for finding a CAREER at my favorite place of earth. And Vered - she was so incredibly warm, sincere, and inviting. Hero - Sean Evans for literally carrying me to the house office after I stepped on two nails in set construction and put them through my foot. Other heros have lost their mysticism since I stopped drooling over them. Adolescent hormones tend to blur the lines between idolizing, admiring, obsessing, and stalking.



'96 ELIZABETH (GOLDMAN) CLOR

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- ☛ Sept. 1992 -- June 1996
- ☛ Located in Chantilly, VA
- ☛ Recently married to Greg Clor in August 2010 (or should I skip it?)
- ☛ UVA
- ☛ I have spent the past 10 years working in the field of Marketing, primarily for the technology sector. I am currently the director of marketing for a software company in Chantilly. I've taken up competitive running. I've run 10 marathons and 15 half marathons, and a ton of shorter races. I was just married in August, and he's a runner too.
- ☛ I am responsible for my pet zebra.
- ☛ #1: I guess I would like to be remembered as the one who always danced

at the awards shows! #2: I came to LBT pretty early, so it's hard to pick someone who came before me that I know a lot about. I always admired Seth Ackerman's piano talents and Casey Kaleba's sense of humor.

'05 MICHELE GROSSMAN



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✦ 2001-2005

✦ Brooklyn, NY

✦ I moved to NYC a little over a year ago and have sold my soul to the restaurant world. Been working in bars and cafes making ends meet while being an "artist". Hopping around, living in converted storefronts and warehouses with leaky ceilings (or no ceiling at all) and have finally settled down to live kinda of like a real person. Recently started doing a comic strip for a local newspaper as well as beginning a huge project of painting murals in the Plaza Food Hall in the Plaza Hotel. Like the one Eloise lived in.

✦ Art, art, art. Working on paintings for a solo exhibit as well as commissioned work.

✦ Ha!

✦ The things I want to be remembered for most at LBT did not happen on stage, but behind it. I want to be remembered and remember. That community and family. I want to be remembered from the days I wore huge pink sweatpants and Justin and I traded back massages on the couch. I want to be remembered from when the Rude Mechanicals were goofing off backstage with the flashlights. I want to be remembered for all the face painting from Midsummer and the the tech days doing publicity for Laramie. I want to be remembered for every Wendy's trip we ever took and every time we every cried before the last show.

✦ I looked up to a lot of the older kids. I remember though, Justin Jones always had a wise word to say. I didn't get into theatre hardcore until 11th grade, so while when I was younger, I looked up to the older kids, it was always from a distance and once I in the inner circle, I WAS one of the older kids.

'07 TAMI GROSSMAN



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✦ 2004-2007

✦ Blacksburg, VA

✦ I'm at Virginia Tech, embarking upon my senior year as a Sociology major and Philosophy minor. I am in my second term as Vice President of the Interior of the Lesbian, Gay Bisexual Transgender Alliance (LGBTQA) of VT. I spent the summer as the representative of the LGBTQA in the Summer Leadership Employment Program (SLEP), during which I developed a mentorship program for the LGBTQA that was implemented this year. I also founded an LGBTIQA service fraternity, Alpha Omicron Phi, which is about to kick off a local campaign against the bullying of gay teens. After I graduate, I'm either going to move to Texas and become a cowboy, disappear into Appalachia and start a cider business, or sell out and work for some stupid corporation in order to earn enough money to eventually found a homeless shelter for LGBTQ youth.

✦ My cats, Barney and Weasel. Barney is a brat. Weasel is blind. Oh, and then there's my wonderful girlfriend, Caroline, who is convinced the cats are trying to kill her. She's probably right.

✦ It would definitely be my graphic design stint during which I redesigned the Cappies logo. And made Jason's face look *really* scary for the 1984 logo.

✦ Without a doubt, Kathleen Mason. After getting through middle school, I thought I hated theatre. Then I went to see *Twelfth Night* and absolutely looooved the character Feste and wanted to do stuff like that. I never really got over my stage fright and stuck mostly with technical theatre, but Kathleen is definitely the reason I became part of LBT.



'05 THERESA MEYERS

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- ✦ Sept. 2001-June 2005
- ✦ Harrisonburg, VA
- ✦ Went to VA Tech, majored in Theatre with a focus in Stage Management. Spent a semester in Disney World to fulfill a dream (and hope to someday go back). Worked at a hotel for a while and now I have a "grown up" job in HR at Rosetta Stone in Harrisonburg.
- ✦ I will always remember the moment I won an Excellence in Acting Award at Folger. Not only was it an ego boost, but it was for ACTING. Man I never expected that.

I have always had, and probably always will have, stage fright. That moment made me realize that facing your fears can have a really positive outcome and help to shape your life for the better. Oh yeah, I also got to act with one of my good friends, Adam Ressa. Sometimes I think we did a good job because we just got to get up on stage and exaggerate our normal relationship of Mother and Son. Is it crazy that I still remember what I wore that day?

✦ I can't make my hero someone that came before me, because quite frankly, I didn't want to be anyone on stage, I wanted to be the people you DIDN'T see. My LBT heroes would have to be Sean Pollin and the crowd (Adam, Keith, Alberts). (they're older than me, it totally counts!) I was enthralled with their laid back attitudes and their ability to make anything fun. Oh, did I mention they were talented? I loved going to tech days so I could learn new skills that Macgyver had up his sleeves. These guys made me realize that you didn't have to be on stage to be cool. Would I say chasing me in their boxers made them cool? probably not. Would I say dropping me off at my house after rehearsal and insisting to walk me to my door with no pants on was cool? eh, nah. Would I say fixing a microphone with just a bag of chips and a paperclip made them cool? Most definitely. And, after all, how could I not like someone who had the nickname of Pope?



'05 AMIRA MOHAMED-AMEEN

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- ✦ September 02 - June 05 technically, but off the record until June 2006.
- ✦ Orlando, FL, the land of swamps, Mickey Mouse, and Harry Potter.
- ✦ Graduated from GMU last Fall. Took a semester off to paint and be crazy. Then, decided to be "serious" again and go to graduate school. So now I'm in Disney's backyard pursuing a PhD at the University of Central Florida in Human Factors psychology. And no, I'm not the type of psychologist that listens to your problems, but I deal more with how to design machines/

technology for human use (i.e. think smart cars). Good stuff....and yes, Mirabal even in that madness I still have enough time to be superwoman and sub in a completely different state.

✦ Besides running off trying to save the world through better design? I'm doing the whole comedy thing. I find it amusing that people find me funny. So I've been invited to perform at some random gig at the end of the month and then next month somewhere in Tampa. My advisor has even gone so far to suggest that I conduct a psychological assessment on comedy. Oy.

✦ My future dissertation? Does that count? It will be my future baby so I guess I'm sort of impregnated with it right now.

✦ Falling down constantly with wings. It was like the perfect oxymoron. I'd be a fool to say that my role as Puck wasn't the most memorable for me. I mean, c'mon, who wouldn't want to be Oberon's badass side kick?

✦ I wouldn't go so far as to pin point just one person and call them my "hero" but there are many people who influenced me and what I wanted to do at LBT. Many of whom I don't even know their names. One of the first to influence me was a girl who played Alice on the Saturday matinee show of Alice. She got into her character so much that I felt that I wasn't only just watching a show but experiencing it. Then there was Cinderella when I was in middle school and this show in particular (& most of the cast...and crew!, actually) convinced me that LBT had something to offer me beyond Mrs. O'Brien's craziness. It wasn't so much about the acting or the set work, or, what have you--but moreso that I was aghast at how all the elements no matter how small came together in such a beautiful blend of talent. Yes, a musical convinced me of that. So, I made sure that theatre made a place on my class list for highschool.

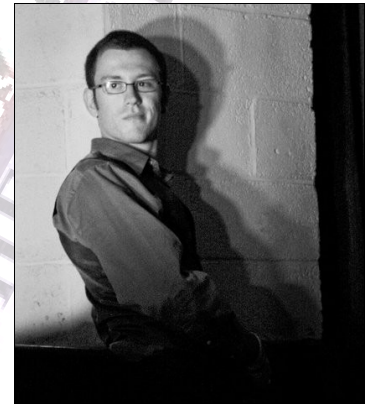
'99 SEAN PFLUEGER

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- ✦ Sept 1995 – June 1999
- ✦ Burke, VA
- ✦ Went to JMU came back, thought about getting a MM in vocal performance, but decided against it. Work at a Non-Profit during the day and sing all around the Washington DC area at night.
- ✦ I'm a member of the Washington National Opera Chorus and AGMA union member (American Guild of Musical Artists, yeah most people don't know what that is.) I can be seen on many small stages with various companies as well as in the choir loft at a Methodist church (shh, don't tell my mother.)
- ✦ I cat named Gus van Sant
- ✦ My very first LBT show, I understudied Fredrick and Kurt and was the stand in for Gretel. I was really into my first show and was happy just doing whatever and I ended up being a party guest, a priest, and an award winner too.
- ✦ I saw Sam Birchett in Once Upon a Mattress and I knew I wanted to be in the high school musical. The next year I got to marry her to Raffi in The Sound of Music.



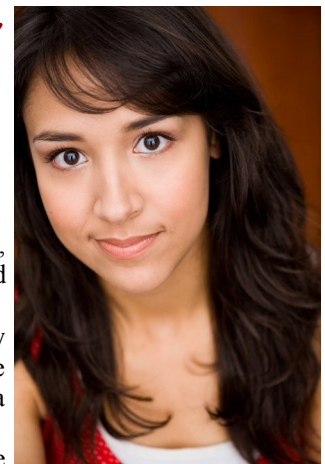
'07 MATT PROVANCE

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- ✦ Sept. 2003-June 2007
- ✦ Currently in Radford VA. USA
- ✦ I graduated in 2007 and Went to Radford University to major in Theatre with n Emphasis in Performance. There I met lost of people including one Amazing girl named Renata.
- ✦ I am still in Radford Graduating right on schedule for a 4 year degree in May 2011. but the most exciting thing is that I am engaged to be married to the same girl I mentioned earlier. The wedding is in November 2011
- ✦ I'm not responsible for anyone, I'm technically still a dependent in fact. But in just over a year I will be married...and still a dependent, I'll just be dependent on my wife instead of my father. I may have a cat at that time though depending on what happens with her (the cat) at the end of the school year.
- ✦ #1 I want to be remembered for my cappie award winning role as Bumstead in 1984. but since I hear that that scene is being shown in acting one classes I suppose I shall be and won't worry about it. #2 My LBT hero is Adam Ressa. I realize we had two years of overlap so he's kind of a contemporary but I didn't really see or know much of



'03 KAT PURGAL

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- ✦ Sept 1999 – June 2003
- ✦ Los Angeles, CA
- ✦ Graduated from Lake Braddock, went to Emerson College, studied abroad, met a boy, moved to LA with that boy, interned at Fox, which turned into a real-life job, graduated from Emerson, got a dog with that boy, and live permanently here in LA with that boy.
- ✦ Getting paid to act, which is a miracle in itself, while working the day job at 'Family Guy'. Taking classes at Upright Citizens Brigade, saying funny things on a stage or fake crying - mostly fake crying which, in turn, is humorous apparently. Wrote a pilot with a friend, and now on to the weird Hollywood thing of selling your creativity.
- ✦ Who are you responsible for? A dog, that boy, and my sister who lived here for the summer.
- ✦ Abigail in The Crucible. Despite silly things like getting a heel caught in the floorboards during a performance and getting a laugh during a serious moment, it was the first time I felt alive and free in my acting.
- ✦ Oh man, the entire cast/crew of Dracula (my freshman year). I was just in shock and awe of everything. They were all seasoned pros in my eyes, seamlessly working together to create one amazing thing. I was hooked from that point on.



'05 ADAM RESSA

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- ✦ Orlando (Suburbs), FL, USA
- ✦ Readers Digest Version: Attended Virginia Tech from 05 - May 10. and did things and stuff. Recently: Designed a show for LBT-alum Jon Cohn (and the Charter Theatre) in Arlington/DC in fall 2009. Produced PROJECT: Z - a series of short films and plays about zombies, as a creative director for The Collaborative Company (a non profit entertainment group). Worked with LBT-alum James Loizou, as well as Jess Long (VT-alum) and Ryan Holman (JMU-alum) on a Disney Design Competition and won a trip to Glendale California. There we gave a (small) presentation to Disney Heads. We got to meet people and tour the facilities, and we interviewed for internships.
- ✦ Currently working for Walt Disney Imagineering in Orlando FL. Specifically Props and Set decoration.
- ✦ Alyssa - Girlfriend for over 2 years (you've met her) and as well my brothers from another mother: James, Robert, and Steve
- ✦ Simple. The way to remember XLR: Xtra. Large. Ressa. I know it wouldn't make sense now... but it sure made sense then... # 2 - Your LBT Hero. I consider my contemporaries to be everyone in classes 2004, 2005 and 2006. Sad, because many of you i hold with high regards. Especially all of my fellow board members. So, that being said, here it goes...Jon C, Brian W, Dan B, Natalie N, Tori S, Mike I, Jeremy S, Brendan C, Matt G, Roya Z, Carly J, Julie C, Joe S, Gabi Y, Rachel P, Anna B, Sean P, Adam L, Alberts O, Kat P, Liz M, Keith F, Daniel E, Zephralyn O. I know that's a lot. But those people really made a difference in my life. And I looked up to each of them...not just because I was shorter... except in Roya's case. And it's called "travel sized." not short.



'97 ANITA SMALLIN

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- ✦ Sept. 93 - June 97
- ✦ Ft. Valley, VA, USA
- ✦ I went to school lots, got a couple degrees, sang a whole bunch, bummed around some. I lived in Fairfax County for awhile, Minnesota for grad school, Baltimore for a year, and now....
- ✦ I'm year round staff at Caroline Furnace Lutheran Camp, in Ft. Valley, VA, which is in the middle of nowhere. I spend my days in the forest, planning summer camp, managing 270 acres, and dodging bears and deer.
- ✦ I'm responsible for a collie, Jack. He's also blind.
- ✦ I remember seeing my first LBT show, "Anything Goes" and "Grease" while in middle school, thinking to myself, ALL of that looks like fun, from the performing to the lights, to the set, the whole thing.



'08 ALLISON STEIN



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- ✦ I'm not cool enough to have a webpage.
- ✦ 2004-2008
- ✦ Tucson, Arizona
- ✦ I graduated in 2008 and came to the always sunny Tucson, Arizona to go to the University of Arizona. I jumped majors for a bit before deciding to double major in Accounting and Operations Management at the Eller College of Business Management and minor in Creative Writing with an emphasis in Creative Non-Fiction. I also work as a booking manager at Club Congress, a historic hotel/bar/now concert venue that brings in alternative indie bands from around the world (any struggling musicians out there? shoot me an email) and as a DJ for a company called Revolution Entertainment here in Tucson and a bit in Phoenix. I have a radio show on campus and am also on the executive board of Alpha Kappa Psi (I tried to run for Master Electrician for them, they weren't having it).
- ✦ What am I up to these days? Anyone hiring a CPA candidate?
- ✦ #1-Honestly? I'd love to be remembered for my dedication to making the sound design program at LBT a force to be reckoned with. During my time as ME, I really focused on the difficulties of Sound Design. I tried to train as many people as I could to appreciate the work that goes into it, a design that previously was just dismissed as just 'picking the music.' But, everyone will probably remember me for the epic fall from the lofts. Yes, I fell from the stage right lofts in 2006 after winning ME. I shattered my tailbone, split my head open (17 staples!) and did some significant damage to both knees, but other than that, good as new! Also, Moreau was really really really awesome. And should be remembered as such.
- ✦ #2 - Your LBT Hero. Ohh this is awkward. Adam Ressa? He was the ME when I was a freshman. I thought he was a total god of all things lighting and sound. He seemed to really know all the little details of lighting and sound and the technical knowledge really drew me to the field. He kind of acted like a coach (shut up, Mirabal) and taught me a lot that year (shut up, Mirabal). And then we dated and I realized he was just overall mediocre (JUST KIDDING ADAM!) No but he's great....awkward. And of course Robert Wingfield, who I still am extraordinarily close with and even call my brother. He made sure I was always included in the shenanigans of LBT (most I should not have been) and really looked out for me.

'06 CASEY STEIN



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- ✦ I'm actually on IMDB now, although it's only for one film worked on my 3rd year of college. Not my best work (I was hungover for most days of filming), but a great experience: <http://www.imdb.com/name/nm3773693/>
- ✦ Sept 2002 - June 2006
- ✦ on the Upper East side of Manhattan in New York, NY!!
- ✦ Attended the good ol' UVA and lived the high life: enjoyed classes, loved the partying, did some great research on child development, became a salsa dancer and instructor, and did some theatre and film here and there. Studied for a summer in Jerusalem, too. Graduated with a double major in Psychology and Jewish studies. I really came into my own in college.
- ✦ I just moved to New York in June and I'm working as a research assistant for a non-profit social policy research organization called MDRC in Midtown, Manhattan. I'm loving it. And exploring New York and building a new life here is challenging but exciting. Give me a call if you're in the area!
- ✦ I will always be responsible for loving my wonderful little sister, Ally Stein. Maybe it was that whole falling-from-the-loft thing at that one LBT awards show that did it... Nawww!
- ✦ Hard to say. Certainly not for my last performance in 1984 where my character died of diarrhea. Not so much. I'd like to say for a certain role or position, but I don't think I was that great at any one. Maybe for my range of accents and hopefully as a LBTER who was an always friend, supporter, and source of encouragement.
- ✦ Hero. Oh gosh, Kerry Kaleba knows that she was always my LBT idol. Partially because of the motherly roles and mostly because she really was so talented and had such an amazing range and supported me the whole time even in Cappies. Also, the Ressa, Wingfield, and Loizou trio. They accomplished so much but they were also passionate about teaching the younger ones to carry on the tradition. I feel incredibly lucky to have become friends with all four of these people.



'98 ELIZABETH SUTTON

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- ✦ September 1994 - June 1998
- ✦ Orlando, FL
- ✦ Following graduation I headed south to the North Carolina School of the Arts where I got my degree in Stage Management. After graduation I worked for various opera companies (Opera Carolina, Piedmont Opera, Wolf Trap Opera) and finally landed even more south in Orlando where I was the Director of Production for the Orlando Opera Company.

I eventually left the opera world for the corporate/theme park world. Currently, I'm a Floral Event Designer for the Walt Disney World Florist.

- ✦ I am responsible for my awesome dog, Tobey! He's seriously like the best dog ever (and one of the cutest).
- ✦ My favorite LBT memory always has been the '97 Midsummer. It was one of those experiences I will carry with me for a long time.

'93 JOGELYN WAITE

- ✦ jocelyn@wolffmad.com
- ✦ My currently abandoned food blog, which I'll return to someday, is www.shespillsthebeans.com.
- ✦ February 1991-June 1993
- ✦ Washington, PA, about a half-hour south of Pittsburgh.
- ✦ Michael P. Wolf, who is a philosophy ninja and my husband of nine years
- ✦ Left NYU in 1995; eventually finished college in food marketing at Western Michigan in 2003. From 1995 to 2007, when I stopped working, I toiled for Whole Foods, Kellogg's, and California's stone fruit growers.
- ✦ I moved out to Pennsylvania in June of 2009, where Michael had bought a sweet little brick house in a very friendly neighborhood for us convenient to his new gig at Washington & Jefferson College. The big news since last year is not particular to me, but to my disease: It's thought that the cause of the illness I've had since 2004 (Myalgic Encephalomyelitis/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome) has finally been discovered. The evidence increasingly points to a new family of human retroviruses, the first of which is named XMRV. It's an enormous relief to potentially have a cause identified, even if it means I have a retrovirus! As for me, I'm still bedridden, but I'm improving a tiny bit at a time and I attribute much of that to being in my second year of being treated by ME/CFS rockstar doctor Paul Cheney. He's a godsend.
- ✦ We're back up to three felines: Jazz cats Coltrane and Mingus have been joined by funk legend Bootsy Collins.
- ✦ Really, the thing I always loved about theatre was the the communal effort: you begin with a stack of scripts, a pile of lumber, bolts of fabric, and only through a lot of shared hard work is there a show. So, honestly, I can't think of any moment of personal glory that comes ahead of a couple of standing ovations: The ones we got for *Grease* during its held-over run, and, even more than that, the one we got at the International Thespian Society conference in Muncie for *As Is*. *Grease* was fun, but *As Is* felt like we were really doing something important. It was an honor to get to do something that risky as part of a high school theatre, and the ovation in Muncie drove home that we weren't the only people interested in seeing minds changed. Now I'm selfishly waiting for someone to write "my" retrovirus a play...
- ✦ Cari Daly, class of 1991. She was one of that last crop of people who had been V.C. Jones's students, and all of them, from that experience and his high expectations, seemed impossibly knowledgeable and grown up to me. What impressed me so much about Cari was her willingness to totally commit to a role. She, unlike me, never seemed worried about appearing unattractive (she famously didn't shave her legs), and undertook padding and age makeup whenever necessary. And she had great comic timing, another thing I truly envied. I think she also may have been the instigator of the LBT team's scandalous swapping of skirts and pants from the girls to boys before taking the stage for an improv competition at Robinson. On top of all that, she was an activist who plunged wholeheartedly into writing letters for Amnesty International, which I think was where I first encountered her, was a major influence on my decision to give up meat (20 years ago now!) and had a fabulous selection of hippie skirts from Georgetown Cotton and t-shirts bearing liberal slogans. Yes, I pretty much wanted to be Cari Daly when I grew up, and I still think she's cool beans.



'03 ELIZABETH (MURRAY) WEBSTER

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- ✦ September 1999-June 2003
- ✦ Baltimore, MD
- ✦ Husband: Christopher Webster
- ✦ Story: After graduating from Lake Braddock, I attended the University of Mary Washington, and received my B.A. in Classics: Classical Civilization in May 2007. After college, I attended the University of Maryland School of Law, and I graduated with my J.D. in May 2010. I met my husband, Chris, on the first day of law school orientation and I married him on January 9, 2010. Now Chris and I live and work in Baltimore. I work for the University of Maryland Center for Health & Homeland Security, a non-profit emergency management consulting group, as a Law & Policy Analyst.



- ✦ Two questions: # 1 - I really enjoyed stage managing for The Miracle Worker. I always wanted to be a stage manager (it was a job that fit my Type-A personality), and I especially enjoyed being a part of all the rehearsals and tech days. I also had a great time finding/building all the props for Cinderella- that was a blast! However, the things I most enjoyed being a part of were the tech days. I will always remember belting RENT while sawing, drilling, bolting and painting set pieces, all the lunches at Wendy's, and the feeling of camaraderie. # 2 - My LBT Hero is more of a group: the class of 2000 boys- Brian Wahlquist, Dan Brown, Mike Innocenti, Bobak Zarrinnahad, and, of course, Joe Leotta. My first show was Dracula- it was one of the most fun times I have ever had. I felt so welcome and I felt like

'92 YILLAH

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- ✦ Sept. 1990 - June 1992
- ✦ Primarily DC met, I guess, but still a lustful nomad
- ✦ Went to VCU and Mason, lived all over DC, traveled the world, took up Arabic dance - that's it in a nutshell.
- ✦ Professional belly dancer with my own dance company, U Street Caravan, and a regular gig with a live band. I'm also a struggling artist - painter/photographer/writer - shouldn't be a surprise to those who knew me back in the day.
- ✦ I am responsible for myself and only myself, and hopefully it will always be that way.
- ✦ I guess I would like to be remembered for my role in Midsummer's as the costume maven. That was a lot of work for a 17 year old, I'm sure (speaking from experience as a 36 year old who still has to get herself and others into costumes). I handmade Lisa Cole's bodice to mirror Leigh Thompson's original artwork for the stage floor - a big undertaking that came out well, and I'm not sure if anyone even noticed.
- ✦ I guess that would have to be Cari Daly. She did it all - drama, comedy, set design, makeup, etc., etc., etc. - and in China doll shoes, Indian pinafores, and Doc Martens, no less. I wanted to be just like her, though I don't think I realized it enough when I was in her presence. To this day an exceptionally cool woman.



Here's the geographic breakdown of LBT grads (as far as I know). My apologies if I missed a few. Feel free to let me know who I missed. The people italicized are the people I have not heard from recently, and therefore am not sure where they are...but there last known location was this location :

ARIZONA

Heather Bernacki, Lizzy Christy, Brian Roller, Allison Stein

CALIFORNIA

Ayo Awosika, Allison (Leeds) Bucchere, Scot Carlisle, Jackie Chu, Colleen Cohn, Jon Cohn, Taylor Coffman, *John Costigan*, Brendan Crowe, Cari Daly, Olivia (Demek) Porter, Tiffany DuPont, Erin Garland, Meg Heinemann, Barbara Howlin, Rachel (Barton) Lister, Jack Mazzeo, Ian McGuire, Meredith Moseley, Mandy Moss, Natalie Nardone, Stacey (O'Rear) Rae, Jacob Perlin, Kat Purgal, Diane Rossini, Meg Seay, Tori Socha, Amy Treadwell, Michael Thomas, *Kristin Von Kundra*, Brian Walquist, Dan Wolfe, Jason Wright

CONNECTICUT

Michael Patrick, Jill Schwartzman, Mark Van Brocklin

COLORADO

Shoaib Aryan, Shelby (Bernard) Arnold, Cat Carranza, Hannah Davis, Nicole Lenaers, James Patterson

D. C.

Chloe (Adler) Sheehan, Jessica Brand, Dan Brown, Rhi Cruse, Charlie Fletcher, Jenny Fornoff, Elizabeth (Liz Lloyd) Gibbons, Melissa Gonzalez, Patrick Hale, Jim Heinneman, Stephen Jennings, Justin Jones, Tracey Krat, Megan Lange, Tracy Lingo, Victor Lopez, Amy (Lubell) Lyons, Dan Mccready, Brandy Morgan, Jaime (Carmichael) Padgett, Rachel Lee Poole, Laura Roesler, Ben Rollins, Danielle Schender, Chris Scott, *Marie Siesseger*, Emily Sprissler, Leigh Chase Thompson, Meghan (McLaine) VerGow, Hayden Zell

DELAWARE

Michelle Sylvester

GEORGIA

Karolyn Benger, Chris Koch, Bill Porter, Jenna Socha, Kira Walsh, Heather (McCall) Whelan

FLORIDA

Bethany Buffington, Amy Davis, Shirlee Huang, Laurel (Moore) Lee, Amira Mohamed – Ameen, Adam Ressa, Elizabeth Sutton, Nick Oylar, Penelope Sexton

ILLINOIS

Andrew Bare, Mary Beth Canty, Stepher Eng, Joel Gross, Lem Huntington, Lauren Kidd, Brian Loevner, Andrew Shapiro, Raffi Vartian

IDAHO

Sandra (Porter) Bohlken

INDIANA

Nick Mohlmann

IOWA

Joe Spinnato, Steve Jennings

KANSAS

Rachel Newby, Austin Smith

KENTUCKY

Andrew Blakney, Angela (Holt) Sanders, Christine (Nicole Jette) Young

LOUISIANA

Andy Ward

MARYLAND

John Baker, Juli (Allred) Ball, Jenny Boyle, Enoch Chan, Nicole Eliopoulos, Marissa Freese, Jason Hamel, David Lewin, Adam Lowe, Casey Kaleba, Liz (Murray) Webster, Jennifer H Popken-Leeds, Jim Riegel, Erica (Wilmore) Shadowsong, Anita Smallin, Heather (Ettinger) Wenzel

MASSACHUSETTS

John Baker, Eric Berman, Michael Bohman, Stacey Fischer, Devan Johnson, Lindsay Stephenson, Noelle Viñas

MICHIGAN

Charles Lee Holley

MINNESOTA

Devora Shapiro

MISSISSIPPI

Elizabeth (Macy) Rogers

MISSOURI

Michelle (Corcoran) Baumstark, Andrew Tosch

NEW JERSEY

Andrew Froehlich

NEW YORK

Seth Ackerman, Iffy Akwule, Lara Allred, *Kara Bain*, Anna Kate Bocknek, Erin Burniston, Heather (Baldwin) Canfield, Rachael Cohn, Jesse Dean, Marea DeMarco, Emily DiMego, Brian Dudolevitch, Chivonne Floyd, Neome Gangi, Nick Gray, Michelle Grossman, Brendan Hill, Elizabeth Holtan, Josh Katcher, Katie Maconaughey, William Noguchi, Zefralyn Osborne, Sylvia Ozols, Avni Patel, Emily Ryan, Jill Schwartzman, Casey Stein, Bryant Sullivan

NORTH CAROLINA

Matt Barclay, Kevin Barringer, Scheli Boley, Cate Bossert Emelio, Aaron MacLean, Sean Roux, Jennifer Sizemore

OHIO

Jen (Stevens) Booth, Grace Lenihan

OKLAHOMA

Lindsay (Cheney) Buckaloo

OREGON

Katie Heald, David McInturff, Greg Touchton

PENNSYLVANIA

Lizzie Cole, Chris Deter, Hannah Dubrow, Kitt Evans, Michelle Gomez, Micah Hart, Jessie Holder, Corinne Neal, Alexandra (Baker) Shrake, Jason Strohl, Jocelyn Waite

SOUTH CAROLINA

Lara Allred, Kevin Barringer, Brenda Chepenik, Zach Groom, Rachel Miller, Craig (C J) Shoemaker, Sarah (Stephenson) Turocy

TENNESSEE

Lizzie Altman, Hanna Easley, Bill Porter, Jessica Sneed

TEXAS

Jehna Alexander, Leah (Graves) Land, Jimmy (James Atkins) Preston, Lauren Rife, Michelle Salmon

UTAH

Rachel (Barton) Lister

VIRGINIA

Josh Altman (NOVA), Gabi Andrade, Jenee (Stankosky) Andreev, Sarah Apgar, Molly Atchley, Corinna Beall (VCU), Jesse Baskin (Shen), Katie Baukin (GMU), Kae Bieber, Sam (Birchett) Hunter, Nathan Black (VT), Bob Bonsall, Derek Bradley, Hannah Brandenburg, Kristine Brown, Tess Brown, Julie Cameron, Sarah Campbell, Ben Canty, Vince & Amy Cannava, *Ruthie Carl*, Yillah (Rosenfeld) Carniero, Ruth (Shippee) Carmody, Bryan Case, Rachel Cave (Longwood) Mireille Cecil (GMU), Jon Clearfield (CNU), Lisa Cole, Matt Continetti, Debbie Crabbe (VCU), Kevin Deliee, Gianna DeMarco, Matt Dodd, *Erica Dodds* (GMU), Cameron Doucette (UMW), Brandon Duncan (JMU), Chad (Sisson) Dukes, Alex (Finn) Eastep, Daniel Eichhorst, Pamm (Werthman) Fontana, Alex Esch (NOVA), Sean Evans, Aimee Fausser, Matt Ference, Keith Filppu (Shen), Audrey Forrest, Jenna (Cath) Franks, Rebecca French, *Michelle (Fraber) Hedges*, Lee Gabriel, Taylor Gaines (UVA), Justin Gaudian, Michael Glatter, Elizabeth (Goldman) Clor, Alex Gomez, Brianna Gray, Tami Grossman (VT), Laura Gunlicks, Josh Handal (UVA), Andrea Harmon (JMU), Allison Heald, Meg Heinneman, Alec Henneberger (GMU), Michael Hock, *Katie Hoppe*, Michael Innocenti, Carly Jehlen, Mark Jennings, Ken Jones, Rebecca Jones (VT), Stephanie Jones, Kermit Kaleba, Kerry Kaleba, Alex Kaplan (UVA), Teresa Kim (W&M), Mandy Kimlick (GMU), Kate Knott, Audrey (Forrest) Laffrenaye, Maya Lawrence, Oriana Layendecker, Amy (Boynton) Leniart, Grace Lenihan, Amanda Lodge, James Loizou, Matt Lopez, Felisa Macaspac, Jessica Maffey, Kathleen Mason (GMU), Ryan Matt (UVA), Gene McCusker, Abby Maclachlan, Colin Manning (UMW), Vered Margalit, Melissa Martinnelli, Tom Mason, Katie Matthews, Carolyn Metcalf (GMU), Theresa Meyers (VT), Emily Mittelman, Abbey (Levinson) Moran, Tory (Sims) Muir, Ariel Myatt (CNU), Shawn Northrip, Jake Null, Athena Oliff, Marika Oliff, Theresa Olsavsky, Sarah Oppenheimer, Alberts Ozols, Heather Parker, *Jason Patrick*, Anne (Crossan) Pescetto, Sean Pflueger, Daniel Plotkin-Richey, Sean Pollin, Katie (Stice) Pond, Matt Provance (Radford), Stephanie Ramsey (VT), Holly Riggi, Erikka Robinson (ODU), Michael Ross, Andrew Rothwell (VT), Lisa Rotter, Cari Schmucker, Jenna Sokolowski, Laurel Scott, Tiffany Scott, Ben Shannon (VT), Meghan Shannon, Renna Shaw, Rebecca Stager, Jason Strasser, Anja Stickley (UMW), Jenn Stofferahn, Jeremy Strohl, Chris Suchan, Mike Sullivan (UVA), Leah Teklemariam (ODU), Matt Tiemann (JMU), Paul Tinsley, Rebecca Tolk, Katie Towberman, Evie Trester, Raychel Trump (GMU), Nora Turner (JMU), Adrianna Venzor (NOVA), Jacob Waldman (RBC), Brian Walsh, Andrew Watson, Janice (Laccone) Wedge, Robert Wingfield, Katie Wilber Jason Wolf, Julie Wolf, Weslie (Puckett) Woodley, Gabi Yount, *Bobak Zarrin-nahad*, Roya Zarrinnahad.

WASHINGTON

Rahul Gairola, Michael Robinson, Courtney Matia

WEST VIRGINIA

Jennifer Wolf

WISCONSIN

Emily Mittelman

AUSTRIA

Angie Zach

CANADA

Gary McLinn

IRAQ

Faith Coutier

RUSSIA

Paula Zoueva

SWITZERLAND

Chris Curtis, Doa'a Salah

UK

Karen Stafko, Laura Wall