

# Galia Backal

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## DIRECTOR

\* World Premiere + Staged Reading

*ENGLISH MADE SIMPLE* By David Ives

*MS. PLACED\**

*LEVITICUS* By Eliana Theologides Rodriguez\*

*RIDE THE CYCLONE*

*BLUE MOON+* By Lyra Nalan

*EL CÓNDROR MÁGICO* By Noelle Viñas - Workshop

*THE CREATURE+* By Alexa Derman

*HOW DO WE WANT TO DO THIS?+* By Alisha Espinosa

*THE PRECIOUS EFFECT\**

*EL HURACÁN* By Charise Castro Smith

*INTO THE WOODS*

*DOES THE TITLE MATTER?\**

*THE SOUND OF MUSIC*

*EL CORRIDO DE CALIFORNIA+* By Fausto Avendaño

*MACBETH*

*THE ARCHIVE\** By Alisha Espinosa

*IN THE END\**

*EVERYBODY* By Branden Jacobs-Jenkins

*THE SHOW MUST GO ON: MUSICAL REVUE\**

*UNTITLED PUPPET SHOW* By Daniella De Jesús

*INÚTIL* By Alisha Espinosa

*CANCIONES PROJECT WORKSHOP+* By Beto O'Byrne

*THE END OF INCORPORATED FILTH\** By Chloé Hayat

*WEST SIDE STORY*

*A VERY GIRLY STORY* By Open Stories Ensemble

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*LATCH\** By Tom Mularz

*NIGHTCAP\**

*TWELVE- A TRAGEDY\** By Reina Hardy

*GRUESOME PLAYGROUND INJURIES* By Rajiv Joseph

*JULY 7, 1994* By Donald Margulies

*ONE DAY OLDER\**

*SILENCE (Original Dance Theatre piece/Creator)*

Circle in the Square Theatre School (2025)

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Ensemble Studio Theater Asking for Trouble (2025)

Queens College (2025)

Circle in the Square Theatre School EWR (2025)

Woolly Mammoth Theatre Company (2024)

Circle in the Square Theatre School EWR (2024)

New Georges Audrey Residency (2024)

Circle in the Square Theatre School (2024)

Brooklyn College (November 2023)

Prima Theatre (2023)

Circle in the Square Theatre School (2023)

Bay View Music Festival MI (2022)

Roundabout Theatre Company Refocus Project (2022)

Theatre Row (2022)

Pace University (2022)

Pace University (2021)

LIU Post Theatre Company (2021)

Bay View Music Festival MI (2021)

San Diego Repertory Theatre (2021)

Teatro LATEA Staged Reading Series (2020)

The Sol Project (2019)

Breaking & Entering Theatre Collective (2019)

Bay View Music Festival MI (2019)

New Work Series Festival (2018)

Danspace Project Residency (2018)

Samuel French OOB Festival (2017)

Match: Lit Theatre Company (2017)

Everyday Inferno Theatre Company (2017)

Collaboration with The Drama League Directors Project, Pace University (2016)

Pace University (2016)

Studio Theatre at Theatre Row (2016)

The Tank at Standard Toykraft (2015)

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## CHOREOGRAPHER

*RIDE THE CYCLONE*

*THE PRECIOUS EFFECT\**

*INTO THE WOODS*

*THE SOUND OF MUSIC*

*THE SHOW MUST GO ON: MUSICAL REVUE\**

*WEST SIDE STORY*

*SILENCE (Original Dance Theatre piece/Creator)*

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*FIVE SECONDS OF SUMMER\*(Co-Creator)*

*ALICE IN WONDERLAND\*(Co-Creator)*

*IF I DARE\* (Original Dance Theatre piece/Creator)*

Queens College (2025)

Circle in the Square Theatre School (2024)

Prima Theatre (March 2023)

Bay View Music Festival MI (Summer 2022)

Bay View Music Festival MI (2021)

Bay View Music Festival MI (2019)

The Tank At Standard Toykraft (2015)

Pace University (2015)

Camp Echo (Burlingham, NY; 2015)

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## RESIDENT | ASSOCIATE | ASSISTANT

^ Associate ~ Resident

*SIX THE MUSICAL*^ Dir. Lucy Moss & Jamie Armitage  
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*CARLA'S QUINCE*\*^ Dir. Estefanía Fadul  
*VOTING PROJECT*\*^ Dir. Estefanía Fadul  
*ROKERA* Dir. Estefanía Fadul  
*GALA HONORING STEVE MARTIN* Dir. Samantha Saltzman  
*OTHELLO* Dir. Anaïs Koivisto  
*THE CO-OPERATIVES*\* Dir. Tatiana Pandiani

North America / Broadway (2023 – Currently)  
Mirvish Productions – Canada (2023 – 2024)  
North American Tours (2022-2023)  
Virtual Zoom Tour (2020)  
LaGuardia Performing Arts Center (2020)  
LaGuardia Performing Arts Center (2018)  
The Drama League (2017)  
Access Theater (2016)  
NY International Fringe Festival (2016)

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## FELLOWSHIPS | RESIDENCIES | AFFILIATIONS

Emerging Artist Residency – Director  
NALAC Artist Grant  
New Georges Audrey Residency  
Roundabout Theatre Company  
The Civilians' R&D Group  
Latinx Theatre Commons Steering Committee  
The Drama League  
The Drama League  
The Broadway League  
Theatre for a New Audience

Circle in the Square Theatre School (Currently)  
National Association of Latino Arts and Culture  
New Georges (2022-2023)  
Roundabout Directors Group Cohort (2020-2022)  
The Civilians (2020-2021)  
Committee Member (2018-2020)  
UpClose Series Associate Curator (2017-2018)  
Arts Leadership Intern (2016-2017)  
Audience Engagement Intern (2015)  
Education Intern (2015)

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## TEACHING | HIGHER EDUCATION AFFILIATIONS

CUNY Queens College  
Circle in the Square Theatre School  
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Circle in the Square Theatre School  
  
Pace University  
Pace University  
NYU Tisch School of the Arts  
NSLC Theater at Fordham University

Musical Theatre II (2026 - Currently)  
Emerging Writers Residency (2023 - Currently)  
Acting the Monologue (2022 - Currently)  
Beyond Shakespeare Scene Study (2021 - Currently)  
IPE Guest Director (2021)  
Artist@Work Panel (2021)  
Administrative Aide II (2017– 2021)  
Directing (2014)  
Devised Ensemble Work (2014)

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## TRAINING

**Pace University** – BA Directing (*Devised Theater, Lecoq, Viewpoints, Grotowski, Meisner, Stanislavski*)  
**Society of American Fight Directors: Michael Chin** – Stage Combat (*Unarmed and Knife Certifications*)  
**California Dance Theatre & Pace University** – Dance (*Modern, Jazz, Musical Theatre, Dance Theatre, Latin*)

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**Languages: Spanish and English**