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PLAYWRITING: PRODUCED PLAYS

Full-Length Productions (one-act or longer)

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| ▪ <i>Christmas Presence</i> | One-act drama | Drama by George (Louisville), 2007 & 2008 |
| ▪ <i>Happily Ever After</i> | Theatre for young audiences | Iowa City Community School District (Iowa City), 2007 |
| ▪ <i>Murder Most Foul</i> | Corporate "murder mystery" | UIHC Ophthalmology Dept. (Iowa City, IA), 2007 |
| ▪ <i>The Father's Gift</i> | One-act biographical play | Parkview Church (Iowa City, IA), 2005 |
| ▪ <i>Murder Most Foul</i> | Corporate "murder mystery" | Lifecare Ambulance, Inc. (Elyria, OH), 2005 |
| ▪ <i>From Garden to Tomb</i> | Interactive theatre | Church of the Open Door (Elyria, OH), 2005 |
| ▪ <i>Joshua of New Nazareth</i> | One-act contemporary nativity | Church of the Open Door (Elyria, OH), 1999 |
| ▪ <i>Crucifix</i> | Version 1.0 (one-act play) | Drama Inc. (Oak Park, IL), 1999 |
| ▪ <i>Angels of the Exodus</i> | Five short plays for children | Church of the Open Door (Elyria, OH), 1996 |

Generally, the first performance of the script is listed here. Many of my scripts (notably *Happily Ever After*) have been performed by churches and schools around the world.

Ten-Minute Plays (selected)

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| ▪ "The Brave Little Tailor" | | Stopher Elementary Drama Club (Louisville, KY), 2009 |
| ▪ "The Steeple's Court," "Inconspicuous" | | LIGHT Center/ Drama by George (LaGrange, KY), 2009 |
| ▪ "Testimony" | | Highland Vineyard Church (Louisville, KY), 2009 |
| ▪ "The Grasshopper and the Ants" | | Iowa City Recreation Department (Iowa City, IA), 2007 |
| ▪ "Leisure Line: Kids vs. Adults" (video segments) | | Coralville Recreation Department (Coralville, IA), 2006 |
| ▪ "Puss in Boots" | | Iowa City Community School District (Iowa City), 2006 |
| ▪ "A Slightly Twisted Christmas Carol" | | Family Connection (Iowa City, IA), 2005 |
| ▪ "You Want Change for That Quarter?" | | Parkview Church (Iowa City, IA), 2005 |
| ▪ "How to Impress Women" | | Family Connection (Iowa City, IA), 2005 |
| ▪ "Free Cookies!" | | Parkview Church (Iowa City, IA), 2005 |
| ▪ "Junk Food Feud" | | Family Connection (Iowa City, IA), 2005 |
| ▪ "The Dance" | | Parkview Church (Iowa City, IA), 2005 |
| ▪ "How My Family Gets Ready for Church" | | Parkview Church (Iowa City, IA), 2005 |
| ▪ "Falls" | | Moody Bible Institute (Chicago), 1999 |
| ▪ "Father's Day" | | Drama Inc. (Oak Park, IL), 1999 |
| ▪ "Godot is Waiting" | | Drama Inc. (Oak Park, IL), 1997 |

Staged Readings and Workshops

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| ▪ "Shattered" | Version 1.5 (workshop) | Church of the Open Door (Elyria, OH), 2002 |
| ▪ "Shattered" | Version 1.0 (staged reading) | CITA National Conference (St. Louis, MO), 2002 |
| ▪ <i>Crucifix</i> | Version 2.0 (staged reading) | Pacific Theatre (Vancouver, BC), 2000 |

DIRECTING CREDITS (selected)

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| ▪ <i>Christmas Presence</i> | George Halitzka | Drama by George (Louisville), 2007 & 2008 |
| ▪ <i>Gary Grinkle's... Wrinkles</i> | Stefan Graves Lanfer | Iowa City Community School District (Iowa City), 2007 |
| ▪ <i>Murder Most Foul</i> | George Halitzka | UIHC Ophthalmology Dept. (Iowa City, IA), 2007 |
| ▪ "Remembering Emily"* | Steven James | Parkview Church (Iowa City, IA), 2006 |
| ▪ "Knights/ Fridge Box"* | Melanie Williams et al | Iowa City Community School District (Iowa City), 2006 |
| ▪ <i>The Father's Gift</i> | George Halitzka | Parkview Church (Iowa City, IA), 2005 |
| ▪ <i>Murder Most Foul</i> | George Halitzka | Lifecare Ambulance, Inc. (Elyria, OH), 2005 |
| ▪ <i>From Garden to Tomb</i> | George Halitzka | Church of the Open Door (Elyria, OH), 2005 |
| ▪ <i>Ten Little Indians</i> | Agatha Christie | Olde Towne Hall Theatre (Elyria, OH), 2001 |

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DIRECTING CREDITS (continued)

- *The Crucible** (scene from) Arthur Miller Masterworks Intensive (Houghton, NY), 2001
- *Juvie* Jerome McDonough Palace Youth Theatre (Lorain, OH), 2000
- *The Ranger Ned Story* Scott Hafso Pacific Theatre (Vancouver, BC), 2000
- *Away the Bear* Nancy Hanna Pacific Theatre (Vancouver, BC), 2000
- *Joshua of New Nazareth* George Halitzka Church of the Open Door (Elyria, OH), 1999
- *"Falls"** (radio drama) George Halitzka Moody Bible Institute (Chicago), 1999
- *A Taste of Heaven* Written by the company Drama Inc. (Oak Park, IL), 1999
- *Oliver!* Lionel Bart Palace Youth Theatre (Lorain, OH), 1998
- *Monopoly Kangaroo Court* Interactive theatre Drama Inc. (Oak Park, IL), 1997

*Ten-minute play. These selections are representative of a much wider assortment of 10-minute plays I have directed.

THEATRE TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- **Karitos Arts Conference (Chicago, IL), 2009.**
Encore Performing Arts Conference (Winston-Salem, NC), 2009.
YMCA of Greater Louisville/ various locations (Louisville, KY), 2009.
A few of the most recent of George's many one-day workshops on Playwriting, Directing, and Acting are listed here.
- **Stophrer Elementary School (Louisville, KY), 2009.**
Bellarmino University Summer Youth Program, (Louisville, KY), 2009.
A few of the most recent of George's many multi-session classes for youth are listed here.

A more comprehensive list is available upon request. I've been teaching workshops for children and adults since 1997.

PUBLICATIONS & AWARDS

- *"Testimony"* 10-minute play *Real Time* compilation: Lillenas Drama, 2009
- *"Mustard Seed Holes"* 10-minute play *Real Time* compilation: Lillenas Drama, 2009
- *"The Truth Hurts"* 10-minute play *Drama Ministry*, 2009
- *"Acting with a Capital A"* How-to article LillenasDrama.com, 2009
- *"Shattered"* 10-minute play *Drama Ministry*, 2008
- *"Build-Your-Own Jesus"* 10-minute play *Drama Ministry*, 2008
- *"Emergent Drama"* Feature article LillenasDrama.com and WorshipLeader.com, 2008
- *From Garden to Tomb* One-act play Meriwether Publishing, 2008
- *"You Want Change For That Quarter?"* 10-minute play *Drama Ministry*, 2007
- *Crucifix* Full-length play (version 4.0) CITA Playwriting Contest, Honorable Mention 2007
- *"Past Tense"* 10-minute play CITA Playwriting Contest, 2nd place Drama Sketch 2007
- *"On Playwriting"* Journal article *Christianity and Theatre*, 2006
- *"Christmas in August"* Featured in interview piece* *Stage Directions*, 2006
- *"Jar of Miracles"* Personal essay *Christianity and Theatre*, 2005
- *The Big Book of Christmas* Souvenir book from play (adapter) Church of the Open Door, 2003
- *"Shattered"* 10-minute play CITA Playwriting Contest, 1st place Drama Sketch 2002
- *"Tetelestai"* 10-minute play *Drama Ministry*, 2002

*My theatrical work was profiled in the article noted with an asterisk, but I am not the author of this piece.

EDUCATION

- **Playwriting.** Jeanne Murraray Walker, Gillette Elvgren: CITA Intensives, 1999, 2007.
 - **Directing.** Ron Reed, Artistic Director: Company Apprentice at Pacific Theatre (Vancouver, BC, Canada), 2000.
 - **Acting.** Dale Savidge, Catherine Gaffney, Rich Swingle: Masterworks Intensive (Houghton, NY), 1999, 2001. Derrell Capes: Act One Studios (Chicago), 1997-98.
 - **B. A., Broadcast Communications.** Moody Bible Institute (Chicago), 1999.
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