

Sam Chanse

Resident Playwright

July, 2016 -- June, 2023

Sam Chanse's plays and theater work include *The Opportunities of Extinction*, *The Other Instinct*, *Fruiting Bodies*, *Trigger*, *What you are now*, *Lydia's Funeral Video*, *gilgamesh & the mosquito* (with composer/collaborator Bob Kelly), *about that whole dying thing*, and *Asian American Jesus* (with director/collaborator Yasmine Gomez). She is a member of the Ma-Yi Writers Lab and a resident playwright at New Dramatists.

A former Sundance/Ucross Playwright Fellow, MacDowell Fellow, Rita Goldberg Playwrights' Workshop Fellow at The Lark, Cherry Lane Mentor Project Fellow, and Playwrights Realm Writing Fellow, she has also received residencies from Djerassi, Tofte Lake Center, SPACE at Ryder Farm, and the Lark. Commissions include Ensemble Studio Theatre/Sloan, Ma-Yi/the Flea, Second Generation, Leviathan Lab and the San Francisco Arts Commission. She is an alumna of Ars Nova's Play Group, the Civilians R&D Group, and the Lark's New York Stage & Film Vassar Retreat, Meeting of the Minds, and Playground. Her plays have been recognized by The Kilroys (*Opportunities of Extinction*: 2017 List; *Fruiting Bodies*: 2015 List and 2014 Honorable Mention; *The Other Instinct*: 2016 & 2017 Honorable Mention), and her first solo play, *Lydia's Funeral Video*, is published by Kaya Press.

She has also developed work with The Yale Institute for Music Theatre, Ars Nova, Labyrinth Theater, Stage Left, The Claque, Bindlestiff Studio, and Broken Nose Theatre. She is the former Artistic Director of Kearny Street Workshop, and has taught writing and theater classes and workshops at Columbia University and other institutions. MFA playwriting: Columbia University; MFA musical theater writing: NYU.

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