

Meet the Staff...

Tiki Fuhro (Program Director) teaches drama at Waynflete's Middle School and spent several summers doing zany drama classes with all ages at Waynflete Summer Arts. She helped build "*LIFE LINES* Community Arts Program" in Brooklyn, New York where she taught drama, directed many plays, and supervised a teen drama troupe for ten years. She is a graduate of NYU's Tisch School of the Arts. Tiki is married to Kevin O'Leary and is the proud parent of Brian and Lillian.

Cathleen Allen, (Director of Community Programs at Breakwater School) This will be Cathleen's fourth summer with BCA and tadpoles and she is so excited to see not only the returning BCA'ers but all the new names too! Cathleen has three sons who keep her busy, but when she does have free time she enjoys film, gardening and skiing.

OUR TEACHERS...

Keith D. Anctil- (Musical, Teen Troupe, Story Theater) Keith has been a Portland based teacher, actor, writer, builder and designer for the last ten years. His acting work has taken him to stages from Boothbay to Broadway. Keith performs with The Theater Project, Mad Horse Theater Co., The Stage at Spring Point, The Escapists and Naked Shakespeare, where he is currently touring schools as Hamlet. He currently directs the Cheverus High School drama program, the Breakwater School drama program, is a staff teacher at The Theater Project and ACORN Studios and is the founder/artistic director of the Wescott Theater Company in Westbrook. This is Keith's third year at BCA and he couldn't be happier to come back and play!

Denise Calkins (music) This is my fifth season at BCA, with two previous years at Waynflete' summer camp. I have a piano studio of 32 private students, I have been the accompanist for several choirs and choruses over the years, and am very involved in local community theatre as a music director. Just in case that doesn't keep me busy enough – I have a church job on Sundays!

Nancy Carroll (visual art) is an active potter, educator, and owner of Bean Tree Pottery in Westbrook, ME. She has worked as a visiting artist in many schools. Recently working at Hall School in Portland, Pond Cove in Cape Elizabeth and Lunt School in Falmouth. Also teaching classes to children and adults at Bean Tree Pottery through out the school year. When not teaching she can be found making and selling her pottery and mosaics at Bean Tree Pottery. www.beantreepottery.com.

Jim Giroux (breakdancing) Jim teaches and performs breakdancing all over Portland, including at Casco Bay Movers and Drouin Dance Center.

Stephanie Hayward (filmmaking) Stephanie is currently a music, drama and language arts teacher at Breakwater School. In her life she's worn many hats from wandering musician, to choir director, to German teacher, to life counselor. She taught a brief songwriting workshop at BCA last summer helping students create a song in a small group setting and another song in a large group. She revels in drawing out the creativity

in young people, offering them the skills, avenues and inspiration to accomplish their artistic goals. She has a great love for technology and how it aids in helping unite humanity as well as open up new doors to creativity and creation. She hopes filmmaking this summer will flourish to become a staple in the already incredibly creative environment the students of BCA have learned to expect. Let's gear up for another fun and creative summer.

Erin Leon – O'Brien (visual art)

Erin Leon-O'Brien has been a creative educator for sixteen years, as well as a curator of art and an exhibiting artist. She began her teaching career at Breakwater School, while pursuing her BFA degree in printmaking at the Maine College of Art. She has taught with Studio in a School in New York, The Brooklyn Arts Council, previous art camps at Breakwater and is the creator of Preschool Picassos, art classes catered to 6 and under.

Zach Lipman (sports) is a certified physical education teacher and a certified personal trainer with the American Council on exercise. Zach has always had a passion and enthusiasm for sport and fitness. Zach is originally from Lincolnville. He earned his bachelors degree at the university of Miami and his Masters degree at the Citadel in Charleston. Zach was also an instructor at the Citadel before moving back home in December. Zach has worked with people of all ages and fitness levels and is excited to be at the breakwater creative arts camp.

Sarah Lohmeyer (theater) is a recent graduate of Emerson College where she earned a degree in theater education. This is her fourth summer teaching the technical theater classes as well as her second as camp assistant.

Kelly McConnell (visual art) is a painter and art teacher in Portland. She teaches at Breakwater School, Space, and has written curriculum for the Portland Museum of Art. Kelly also maintains an active studio practice.

George McGinty (visual art) This will be George's first year at BCA. He has just completed his masters in Art Education at MECA. He has a long creative history, which includes puppetry in Brooklyn, curating many shows and an internship with the famed Bread and Puppet Theatre in Vermont. George has taught and been an artist in resident in several area schools.

Kevin O'Leary (guest artist, playwriting) Kevin is a graduate of NYU's School of the Arts, and The Strasberg Institute. He has acted professionally in New York and Regional Theatre around the country. He is a playwright and member of "WritersGroup" a playwriting collective based in NYC. He currently teaches English and Drama at Morse HS where he founded The Trigorin Project, a play writing mentor-ship program for teens. He is also Artistic Director of the Lanyard Theater in Bath, Maine.

Mike Quinn (writing) Mike Quinn was born at a very early age. He quickly became the Sports Editor at Holy Cross College. His writing continued worldwide as a Communications Officer in the Navy. Following his Naval career, Mike wrote advertising

copy for a New England based company. To ease the travel a bit, he wrote two weekly columns for a Maine newspaper, one about "Kids," and the second on "Sports."

For the past 17 years, Mike has been sharing his love of literature and writing with middle and high school students at West School in Portland. In his spare time, Mike coaches youth sports during all four seasons. Along the path less traveled, Mike married the music teacher from Hall School, the infamous Jayne Sawtelle. His home roster of children has gone steadily up to four, while his golf handicap has gone down ever so slowly to 15.

Jona Rice (visual art)

Back again for another year at BCA! This is Jonas second year at BCA and he is really excited for camp to begin. During the school year, Jona is a studio art teacher at Waynflete School in Portland. He holds a BFA in Photography from the Maine College of Art as well as a certificate degree in Art Education. He loves all things art and can't wait to share that with another awesome group of campers.

Hans Indigo Spencer (music)

Called a "master composer" by the Boston Globe for his jazz orchestra's debut jazz CD, "First Storybook", Hans Indigo Spencer's career stretches over twenty years of supporting stories for theater directors, filmmakers, animators, and choreographers. His work runs the gamut from his foray into film music to his work composing for the acclaimed Jazz Composers Alliance Orchestra as well as classical artists. Last year, Hans composed music for Portland Stage's "Iron Kisses" and played music for the last few performances of "A Christmas Carol". He regularly performs at Improv Boston theater, providing live underscoring for improvising actors and his broadcast credits include a recent series on Cartoon Network and "Word Girl", airing on PBS. Through his years in Boston, he also developed an audience for his twelve-piece band, the Indigo Invention Group, which incorporated imaginative stories into big-band jazz. His work with the chamber music group, Chameleon Ensemble, has synthesized his approach to teaching large groups and collaborating with classical performers. All the while, he worked as a freelance saxophonist, playing with the top musicians in Boston.

He was educated in classical composition at Oberlin Conservatory and earned a Master's Degree in Jazz Studies from the New England Conservatory. He taught general and choral music in the Cambridge Public Schools while teaching courses in arts integration at Lesley University. He now lives and teaches privately here in Portland.

Barbara Woods (guest artist, visual art) has a MFA in Sculpture, with a concentration in Art History, from Parsons School of Design in New York. She is an artist and an Educator at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Currently she is in charge of a new family program at the Museum that incorporates handling materials in museum tours and is teaching social studies, using objects from the Museum's collection, at a school for the Deaf in the Bronx. She loves to talk about art, discover new ideas, and make art with students of all ages.

