



ILLINOIS COMMUNICATION AND THEATRE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome to the 2015 Annual Convention. It has been my pleasure to serve as the president of the Illinois Communication and Theatre Association over the past year. Our board is comprised of incredibly talented, dedicated and giving professionals who have worked very hard over this past year to make communication within our association more transparent and meaningful, participated in strong advocacy for our discipline, and increased the awareness of our association across the state of Illinois.

As I represent the theatre aspect of ICTA, my work this year was extensive. Each time I work, I proudly announce my affiliation with ICTA and promote the mission of our fine organization.

This past year, I was nominated for The 2015 Tony Awards® for Excellence in Theatre Education.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ggl8cgu7ldI>

I am the current University/College Representative on the Board of the Illinois Theatre Association. I provide a direct and positive link between our two organizations.

I was honored to present my work with Shakespeare and the First Folio Technique for the National Communication Association's 2014 Convention.

I have continued my work and strong association with Chicago Shakespeare Theater by teaching Folio Technique:

- Teacher Workshop for *The Tempest* September 12, 2015
- Bard Core Teacher Workshop August 4, 2015
- Battle of the Bard February 14, 21, 2015
- Teacher Workshop for *Macbeth* January 10, 2015
- Teacher Workshop for *King Lear* September 13, 2014

This past year, I visited many high schools throughout the Chicagoland area, as a guest speaker teaching folio technique and again spreading the message and mission of ICTA.

- Lake View High School
- British School of Chicago
- Argo Community High School
- CICS Northtown Academy

- I served as a resource for Adam Jenkins as he planned his 2015 convention. When I planned my convention last year, I created a “bible” of notes, plans, procedures, check lists, time lines, etc., which I passed onto Adam to aid in his planning. I hope that this might continue to grow and provide valuable guidance for future convention planners.
- As part of my convention planning, I standardized and created strong procedures for the call to submit workshops and panels for our annual convention. There is now a strong and specific procedure in place.

As I transition to my new role of past-president, I am creating a journal exploratory committee with the charge to reignite the ICTA Journal. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please let me know.

Respectfully submitted,

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