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**AN EDUCATIONAL THEATRE ASSOCIATION AFFILIATE**

*Lessons and Resources shared from  
Thespian Directors, Professionals,  
Workshops and others.*

\*Please do not share with others outside our organization, in some cases we have received permissions for the Virtual teaching we are doing at this time and to share the recordings we have paid for through our organization.

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## **General Lesson Plans**

**Theatre Educator Pro**: This is offered through EDTA for creating online learning

**BYU Theatre Education Database**: Various lesson plans available .

**Broadway Direct**: A couple of fun lessons for students to do at home.

**Theatrefolk - The Drama Teacher Resource Company**: is a free service, but you can upgrade to Drama Teacher academy. I have used this for years for units, lesson plans, classroom resources and PD. I pay for mine, but you could also ask your school to pay for a subscription. They are also constantly updating and have tried to make new digital learning resources. Stagecraft included.

**Imagineering in a Box**: Free online program that brings together the diverse talents of Disney Imagineers around the world for a one-of-a-kind learning experience and is part of Disney's commitment to helping today's youth create the future they imagine.

## **Performance/Choreography Lesson Plans**

**Daily 8 Count**: Our very own Brian Curl daily dose of choreography

**Make Your Own Show/Channel**: Students utilize Flipgrid (or other platform/device) to create their own streaming channel (private) where they share a new "program" or "trailer" or "infomercial" on Flipgrid. Started this with my 8th graders, and will move onto older grades next. (Note from experience - stress quality over length. TikToks can be hilarious and better than a ten-minute rant or ramble.) \*I am currently grading on completion for these, but you can create rubrics using Flipgrid.

## **Video Resources and Lesson Plans**

**Drama Notebook**: This website lists about 60 free theatre performances that were filmed live.

**TedEd**: Lessons for all ages in TED talks.

**A Prairie Home Companion**: Radio recording.

**PBS Theatre Recordings**

**Broadway Dreams lessons with Zoom**

**Tour 11 Theaters around the world**

## **Technical Theatre Lesson Plans**

**Light Labs**: This website has several interactive light labs including a gobo lab and a few other really cool resources.

**Stagecraft Stage Management Course**: Standby Cue 101- YouTube series. Instructor notes and quizzes you can turn into a Google Form linked [HERE](#). Credit to David McGraw at [davidjmcgraw@sm-sim.com](mailto:davidjmcgraw@sm-sim.com) for making this course free. Can be a multi-week project for beginners.

**Stagecraft I Choice Board**: I created this using ideas from other instructors to give students varied options they can choose based on limited experience, time at their disposal, and materials/tech available to them. Feel free to make copies/borrow any part of it. Please don't use my Flipgrid code, though. :) \*I am currently grading for completion.

## **Facebook Pages**

[Theatre Teachers](#) (search, it is a private group but been really helpful with ideas)

[Theatre 2](#) ( it is an invite group as well) T2PDI (TheatreSquared Professional Development Institute)

[AMI for Teachers](#) This is for the state of AR for teachers to share their lessons and resources with others.

[The Producer's Perspective Livestream each day!](#)

## **Puppetry Lesson Plans**

[How to make a puppet](#)

[How to bring a puppet to life](#)

[Storytelling with puppets](#)

[Jim Henson Making Puppets 1969](#)

## **Other Resources**

[Florida Thespian Website](#)

[Texas Thespian Website](#)

[Thespian Troupe Houses](#) (think Hogwarts)