

# MEREDITH NELSON

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## Directing

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<i>LUNCHTIME!</i>	Madalyn Baker	Middough Inc.	Cleveland, OH
<i>The Last Five Years</i>	Jason Robert Brown	Middough Inc.	Cleveland, OH
<i>A History</i>	Seth McNeill	The Kraine Theater	New York, New York
<i>Year of the Rooster</i>	Olivia Dufault	University of Evansville	Evansville, Indiana

## Assistant Directing

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<i>Our Town</i>	Thornton Wilder	Mary Zimmerman	Cleveland Play House
<i>Freak the Mighty</i> <sup>^</sup>	Anthony Drewe & Ryan Fielding Garrett	Michael Barakiva	Cleveland Play House
<i>Murder Play</i> <sup>*</sup>	Kate Hamill	Michael Barakiva	Cleveland Play House
<i>Fiddler on the Roof</i>	Joseph Stein	Michael Barakiva	Cleveland Play House
<i>Where We Stand</i> <sup>^</sup>	Donnetta Lavinia Grays	Tamilla Woodard	WP Theatre
<i>Q2</i> <sup>*</sup>	James Lescene & Ryan Amador	Lori Wolter-Hudson	University of Evansville

\*denotes developmental workshop or reading

<sup>^</sup> denotes world premiere production

## Artistic & Producing Experience

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### Soft Belly Theatre

### Co-Founder & Artistic Director

2023-Present

- Co-Founded in Cleveland, OH specializing in highly-collaborative work that raises up voices in the community
- Created programming ("Full Bellies") that allows the the public to come together for a meal and reading of a new play

### WP Theatre

### Coverage Coordinator

2019-2020

- Deciphered which plays staff needed to attend and organized their schedules accordingly in a brand new system I created
- Lead weekly coverage meetings for artistic staff

**The New Harmony Project      Literary Assistant & Script Selection Committee      2015-2019**

- Read script submissions and gave feedback as to which I thought would be a good fit for NHP
- Assisted playwrights in developing new work by offering ideas and providing additional research

**American Academy Performing Arts      Director of Junior Summer Theatre Camp      2016-2023**

- Designed and directed full productions for up to 60+ kids ranging grades K-5
- Developed an organized system for communications with venues, parents, and additional staff members

**American Academy Charter School      Elementary School Music Teacher      2020-2022**

- Created curriculum that taught students grades K-5 the basics of music and instrument playing
- Managed accommodations for students on learning plans

## **Education and Training**

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Cleveland Playhouse/Case Western Reserve University	M.F.A in Acting	2023-2026 (expected)
University of Evansville	B.A. in Theatre Performance	2015-2019