

# LAURA LUSSIER

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## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- CAEA (Canadian Actors' Equity Association)
- ACTRA (Alliance of Canadian Cinema, Television and Radio Artists)
- UDA (Union des artistes)

## TRAINING: THEATRE & FILM

- 2005 - B. A. Honours in Theatre and Drama & Philosophy from the University of Winnipeg

## PROFESSIONAL WORKSHOPS (Selected)

- 2022 - Le Cercle des Sentinelles, a pan-Canadian discussion group on Theatre for Young People - Le Cube, Centre international de recherche et de création en théâtre pour l'enfance et la jeunesse, Montréal: Joël Beddows
- 2021 - Shadowing the director on the set of *Le Monde de Gabrielle Roy*: Renée Blanchar
- 2020 - Screenwriting Course - Université de Moncton: Guy Boutin
- 2020 - Cinematography for Directors - Winnipeg Film Group: Andrew Luczenczyn
- 2020 - Masterclass in Directing - Winnipeg Film Group: Sarah Gavron
- 2018 - Directing Actors at the Banff Centre for Arts & Creativity with L'École nationale de théâtre du Canada & l'Association des théâtres francophones du Canada (3 weeks): Dominique Leduc
- 2018 - Directing Residency at Centre du Théâtre d'Aujourd'hui (Montréal) and Théâtre Français du Centre National des Arts (Ottawa) during the creation of *Gabriel Dumont's Wild West Show* (6 weeks): Mani Soleymanlou
- 2017 - « Rencontres internationales de jeunes créateurs et critiques des arts de la scène » - Festival TransAmériques, Montréal
- 2017 - Coaching Young Actors - Manitoba Film and Music: Martin Tremblay
- 2016 - Voice Acting - Actors Training Centre of Manitoba: Jeff Skinner
- 2016 - Rainbow Stage Music Theatre Conservatory's Actor Intensive: Ann Hodges, Simon Miron, Kimberley Rampersad, RobYn Slade, Cory Wojcik
- 2014 - Text Analysis & Directing at the Banff Centre for Arts & Creativity (3 weeks) - L'École nationale de théâtre du Canada & l'Association des théâtres francophones du Canada: Maureen Labonté
- 2013 - Playwrighting Workshop: Louis-Dominique Lavigne
- 2012 - Puppet Fabrication and Manipulation, An Intensive One-on-One Workshop (Montréal): Julie Desrosiers
- 2011 - Writing & Directing for Very Young Audiences in Reims, France/Montréal, Canada/Charleroi, Belgium : Céline Schnepf, Hélène Ducharme, Martin Staes-Polet
- 2010 - Character Development: Réjean Vallée
- 2008 - Intensive Commedia dell'Arte Workshops (6 months): Reg Skene
- 2008 - Mask Workshop (Mask making and acting with masks): Chris Sigurdson

## AWARDS/GRANTS (Selected)

- 2020 & 2019 - Canada Council for the Arts - Explore & Create Grant
- 2020, 2017 & 2014 - Manitoba Arts Council - Theatre Production Grants
- 2018 - Canada Council for the Arts - Professional Development Grants
- 2017 - Winnipeg Arts Council - Professional Development Grant
- 2017 & 2015 - Manitoba Arts Council - Professional Development Grant
- 2011 - Prix Power Corporation, Fondation pour l'avancement du théâtre francophone au Canada

**PERFORMING EXPERIENCE - TELEVISION, FILM & VOICE OVER (Selected)**

2022	GLUTEN FREE LIKE ME WITH LAURA LUSSIER (Bilingual)	Host	Fibe TV <sub>1</sub> /Bell Media	Kirby Hammond
2022	LISA & THEO	Voice Over	Apprentissage Illimité	Carole Freynet-Gagné
2021	LE MONDE DE GABRIELLE ROY	Principal	ICI Tou.tv Extra	Renée Blanchar
2021	L'HISTOIRE S'ÉCRIT AU PRÉSENT	Host	ICI Radio-Canada Télé	Micheline Arbez/Laura Lussier
2021	TOUT INCLUS	Contributor	ICI Radio-Canada Télé	Rachel Dugas
2021	UNITE 150/ UNISSONS 150	Host & Official Voice	Bell Media/Paquin- Rivard Inc.	Patti Caplette/ Micheline Arbez
2021	INDIGENOUS INSIGHTS	Dubbing	StrongFront TV	Jesse Green
2020	EDGAR	Lead	Manito Média & Zone 3	Danielle Sturk
2020	WEAR IT WELL (Bilingual)	Voice Over	Gouvernement of Manitoba	Frank Digital
2020	LET'S PROTECT EACHOTHER	SOC	Government of Manitoba	Chris McIvor
2020- 2021	JEUX SAM AMUSE	Voice Over	Jeux Sam Amuse	Jennifer Marcheterre
2015- 2020	100% LOCAL (107 episodes)	Contributor	ICI Radio-Canada Télé Ottawa	Sacha Laliberté
2019	BONJOUR MY FRIEND (Doc)	Lead	Fondation Dialogue	Jean-François Martel
2017	CANADA GAMES FESTIVAL	Official Voice	Canada Games Host Society Inc.	Jason Smith
2017	FRENCH EN AMÉRIQUE	Narrator	TFO	Jean-François Cartier
2017	SOMMAIRE DE VOS FRAIS	Voice Over	Investors Group	Brenda Boughton
2017	A & W COMMERCIAL	SOC	R & D Productions	Bob Simpson & Vic Bath
2016	LE SOCIAL MANITOBAIN	Principal	Wookey Films Inc. & UNIS TV	Jérémie & Janelle Wookey
2012- 2016	VIENS VOIR ICI! (133 episodes)	Host	Productions Rivard & TVA	J. Guenette & G. Tougas
2014	BETTER TOGETHER! (Bilingual)	Voice Over	PIPSC	Jorge Requena & G. Fields

2014	FOR THE SAKE OF THE CHILDREN	Voice Over	Government of Manitoba	Visual Productions
2013	BIKE HELMET PSA	Voice Over	Government of Manitoba	DaCapo
2013	KNOW TOBACCO, NO DISEASE	Voice Over	Government of Manitoba	Visual Productions
2012	ON TOURNE MANITOBA!	Voice Over	On Screen MB & MFM	Laurence Véron
2012	MOON CITY – APP	Voice Over	Frima Studios	DaCapo/Frima Studios
2012	BLÉSSÉS. SÉRIEUSEMENT.	Dubbing	Société d'assurance publique du Manitoba	Tim Higgins
2012	OUR WINNIPEG	Voice Over (Animation)	Proctor Bros. Industries	DaCapo/CUPE
2011	MbTV - HISTORY IN PRIME TIME (Bilingual)	Lead	Productions Dieselle	Danielle Sturk
2011	TODD & THE BOOK OF PURE EVIL	Principal	Young Faust 2 Productions	James Genn
2011	LA COMPASSION	Dubbing	Sky Works Charitable Foundation	Geneviève Pelletier
2010	CITÉ QUÉBEC (Bilingual)	Lead	Canadian Parents for French	Danielle Sturk

**ACTING EXPERIENCE - THEATRE (Selected)**

2018	LES ALLOGÈNES	Multiple roles	Théâtre Cercle Molière	Ricardo Lopez-Muñoz
2015	THÉÂTRE SANS ANIMAUX	Multiple roles	Théâtre Cercle Molière	Amélie Bergeron
2015	CHASING THE STARS	Girl	Théâtre p'tits bouts d'choux	Laura Lussier
2014	IVANOV	Sasha	Winnipeg Jewish Theatre	Mariam Bernstein
2013	GONE WITH THE WIND	India	Royal Manitoba Theatre Centre	Steven Schipper
2012	LES DISPARUS	Cassie	Théâtre Vice-Versa Theatre	Marc Prescott
2012	BOEING BOEING	Janet	Le Cercle Molière	Irène Mahé
2010	LE MARIAGE FORCÉ	Dorimène	Le Cercle Molière	Irène Mahé

## DIRECTING EXPERIENCE – TELEVISION

2019-2022	HORS QUÉBEC (32 episodes)	Director	TVA & Productions Rivard
2022	LISA & THEO (7 audio books)	Director	Aha Learning
2021	L'HISTOIRE S'ÉCRIT AU PRÉSENT (8 episodes)	Co-Director (with Micheline Arbez)	ICI Radio-Canada Télé
2021	FRANCO 150 (15 episodes)	Réalisatrice	Productions Rivard
2016-17	BRIDGING THE DIVIDE	Co-Director (with Kirby Hammond)	North Point Productions

## DIRECTING EXPERIENCE – THEATRE (Selected)

2021	L'ARTICLE 23 ET SA SUITE de Claude Dorge, David Arnason, Gérard Jean, Yan Dallaire, Andrina Turenne, Daniel Péloquin-Hopfner		Théâtre Cercle Molière
2020-2021	PLÉ - Creation		Manitoba Theatre for Young People/The Plé Collective
2019	QUE FAIRE D'ALBERT?/WHAT TO DO WITH ALBERT? by Danielle Séguin-Tétreault		Théâtre Cercle Molière in collaboration with Prairie Theatre Exchange
2018	1818 by Rhéal Cenerini		Archdiocese of St. Boniface
2017	THE BIRDS AND THE BEES (Assistant Director)		Prairie Theatre Exchange – Dir. Ann Hodges
2016	ET QUE ÇA SAUTE! by Danielle Séguin-Tétreault		Théâtre Cercle Molière
2015	PLUS (+) QUE TOI by Rébecca Déraspe		Le Cercle Molière
2015	CHASING THE STARS - Creation		Théâtre p'tits bouts d'choux
2012	THÉÂTRE DANS LE CIM'TIÈRE by Marc Prescott		Théâtre Chiens de soleil (USB)
2012	L'HYPOCRITE by Mike Gauthier		Le Cercle Molière (TGC)
2011	LE JEU DE L'AMOUR ET DU HASARD - Creation		Théâtre Chiens de soleil (USB)
2010	CONNEXION EN COURS - Creation		Théâtre Chiens de soleil (USB)
2010	LA VIE EST BELLE AU MANITOBA! - Creation		Parcs Canada

## WRITING EXPERIENCE - TELEVISION, THEATRE & EVENTS

2022	GLUTEN FREE LIKE ME WITH LAURA LUSSIER	Host & Writer	Fibe TV1/Bell Media	8 bilingual episodes Script writer
2021	L'HISTOIRE S'ÉCRIT AU PRÉSENT	Host, Director & Writer	ICI Radio-Canada Télé	8 episodes, Writer of intros & extros

2021	TOUT INCLUS	Contributor & Writer	ICI Radio-Canada Télé (Director: Rachel Dugas)	5 episodes; Writer of intros & extros
2016-2021	PLÉ	Creator & Writer	Manitoba Theatre for Young People & The Plé Collective	Play for Young Audiences written with The Plé Collective
2015-2020	100% LOCAL	Contributor & Writer	ICI Radio-Canada Télé Ottawa (Content Director: Rachel Dugas)	107 episodes; writer of my own content
2015-2018	GABRIEL DUMONT'S WILD WEST SHOW	Playwright	Théâtre Français of the National Arts Centre	Member of the pan-Canadian team of ten playwrights
2017	CANADA GAMES FESTIVAL	Master Script Writer	Canada Games Host Society Inc. (Artistic Director: Jason Smith)	Writer of 13 bilingual scripts for MCs from each province & territory in the country
2012-2016	VIENS VOIR ICI!	Host & Writer	TVA & Productions Rivard (Content and Branding Director: Micheline Arbez)	133 episodes; writer for intros, extros, general show content
2015	LUC & LUCIE	Playwright	Théâtre Cercle Molière (Artistic Director: Geneviève Pelletier)	Play for Young Audiences written with Lorène Lailier

### COACHING EXPERIENCE - TELEVISION

2016-2017	CANOT COCASSE S2	Set Coach	UNIS TV/Manito Média	Danielle Sturk
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### WORKSHOP FACILITATION EXPERIENCE (Selected)

2010-present	Writing, acting, directing	Canadian Parents for French	Immersion schools in MB	13 to 18 years
2020	Acting for television	Manito Média	Actors for the TV Series EDGAR	Adults
2014	Directing	Festival Théâtre Jeunesse	Le Cercle Molière	13 to 18 years
2010-2014	Writing, acting, directing	Canadian Parents for French	Immersion schools in MB	13 to 18 years
2011-2012	Directing for teachers, Acting & voice for students	Division scolaire franco-manitobaine & Cercle Molière	DSFM schools in MB	12 to 18 years
2007-2010	Improvisation	Le Cercle Molière	École Sisler School	15 to 16 years

## **SPECIAL SKILLS**

- **Singing:** Royal Conservatory of Music Grade IX (1st Class Honours). Coaches: Joanne Mercier; Donna Fletcher
- **Music:** Very basic flute, guitar and piano
- **Languages:** Fluently bilingual (French and English), basic knowledge of Spanish
- **Dialects/Accents:** Various British and French. Other accents with notice
- **Dance:** Very basic knowledge of Ballet, Jazz and Modern
- **Physical Skills:** Commedia dell'arte, Stage Combat (unarmed), Mime, Mask, Tai Chi, Pilates, Yoga

**REFERENCES, ARTISTIC JURY EXPERIENCE & HOSTING EXPERIENCE:** Available upon request