

Resume of Rosary Hartel O'Neill

Rosary Hartel O'Neill is the author of 27 plays, 16 published by Samuel French, Inc., 4 books of nonfiction, 2 of fiction, and 4 anthologies of plays. The fourth edition of her text, "The Actor's Checklist", is used in schools nationwide.

In 2021 her recent short film "The Garden District" was a winner of 10 awards. Other awards include: "The Art of Voodoo and Spirituality in 19th century New Orleans" (coauthored with Rory Schmitt) published in October 2019 by The History Press.

As a Senior Fulbright Drama Specialist until 2024 Rosary has been busy. She was awarded a Fulbright at the Rheinische Friedrich Wilhelms Universitaet Bonn for a residency develop her play "Degas in New Orleans" for the Centennial of Degas' death at the Sorbonne and Columbia University Theatres and to develop a rock musical "Marie Laveau and the Vampire" for production in New Orleans and Paris. Before that she completed an invitation with Philippe Adrien, Artistic Director of the Theatre de la Tempete The Cartoucherie in Paris.

Looking ahead, her film "Vampires Last Bite" is in pre-production with Maria Soccor and "Degas: the Impressionable Years" in pre-production with Carole Bidault. And, as a Senior Fulbright Drama Specialist, her play "Degas in New Orleans" is to be done at The American Embassy in Paris on Oct 22, (with residency at the Irish Cultural Center, Paris).

Her book "The Vampire Quintet" will be published this year by American Dog publishers. Her novella "Inside the Rain" was published last year. Her play "Beckett at Greystones Bay" was named best international play by the Pen and Brush of NYC.

She is a proud member of HB Studios and the Actors Studio in NY and has been a three-time scholar in residence at the Sorbonne, has garnered invitations to Harvard, and the American Academy in Rome, and the American Center in Paris.

From 1983-2001 Rosary was a tenured Professor of Drama and Speech at Loyola University, New Orleans. From 1986-2001 she served as the Founding Artistic Director of Southern Repertory Theatre, the leading equity theatre in Louisiana.