CHARLES FORD

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

1997-present: Designer, Technical Theatre Director, Web Designer for this web site, co-founder, and educational director of Merely Players.

1989-2011: Technical theatre director and teacher at Durango High School.

1998-present: Workshop presenter for educational theatre, including presentations in England and South Korea, at the Colorado State Conference for Gifted and Talented Educators, and at San Juan College.

2008, 2009: Summer Theatre Technical Director and Designer at Henry Strater Theatre in Durango

2008: Hired by Strater Hotel to design and construct an animatronic dragon for the Snowdown Festival

1999-2000: Taught Theatre in Wath-upon-Dearne, England

1999 - Founder of Durango Shakespeare Festival, in alliance with Fort Lewis College.

1989-1994: Acted with and designed for Durango Lively Arts Company and Durango Repertory Theatre, local community theatre troupes in Durango.

EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC HONORS:

1994: Master's degree in education from Adams State College in Alamosa, Colorado

1982: Certified in Secondary Mathematics

1974: Graduated with honors with Bachelor's Degree in English from Colorado State University. GPA: 3.33

PROFESSIONAL HONORS:

2012: Crested Butte Mountain Theatre - Best Set Design of the Year

2011: Durango Foundation for Educational Excellence award for Teacher of the Year.

2010: Rocky Mountain Theatre Association's Excellence in Technical Theatre Award

2006: Durango High School "Extra Credit for Extra Time" Award

1999-2000: Taught Drama at Wath Comprehensive School in Wath-upon-Dearne, England in conjunction with the Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program.

1989: Grant recipient from Durango Foundation of Educational Excellence for Make-up and Character Development and Creation for the Classroom

1982: Runner up for Colorado Teacher of the Year

1980-1981: Grant recipient for educational programming in computer applications