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Age Range 50 – 150

2000 - 2006, I have recreated:

John Sargent Pillsbury (*Part of the U's sesquicentennial /r 120 appearances in US*)  
Edward Currie (The founder of Neighborhood House)  
Malachi Herney (Assistant Director, Northwest Dry Enforcement District)  
Crawford Livingston (Entrepreneur and Wealthy St. Paul resident)  
Billy Phillips (first Ramsey County Attorney)  
Cyrus Northrop (President of the University of Minnesota)  
Santa Claus (for the Arboretum and Holidazzle Parade)  
James J. Hill; Charles Haralson (apple developer); Major J. P. C. McMahon (surgeon)  
*Recreations involve public appearances, original speeches based  
on research, extemporaneous discussions steeped in historical fact.*

Since 2000, I have acted in:

*Then There were None* / General McKenzie  
*The Odd Couple* / Vinnie \*  
*Our Town* / Editor Webb \*  
*A New Christmas Carol* / Charles Dickens \*  
*Arsenic & Old Lace* / Teddy Roosevelt \*  
*Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street* / Kris Kringle \* \* all at Bloomington Arts Center  
*The Monkey's Paw* and other stories \*\*  
*War of the Worlds* radio recreation \*\* \*\*Gallery Players / Readers Theater  
*A Serious Man*, A Cohen Bros Film  
*Speed Graphic* / *Red Herring* (Student Films)  
*The Road of Life – Siege at Leningrad* @ Harmony Theater

Previous acting experience:

1998—Ramsey County Halloween series  
1980—Mabel Tainter Theater / *Friday the 13th*  
1950's-'60's—Old Log Theater / several plays

Directed:

July 2008 - Radio Theater productions of 4 classic old radio shows / w lights & movement  
Dec 2007 - Directed *Best Christmas Pageant Ever* live theater / Sold out all performances  
Dec 2006 - Produced / Directed *Going My Way* / radio recreation  
Nov 2006 - Wrote / Directed *Tyler and the Tom* / new radio show with dimension  
Dec 2005 - Produced / Directed *Fibber and Joe Find Christmas* / radio plays w/dimension  
Nov 2004 - Produced, Wrote and Directed church 60 minute musical / radio show  
Sept 2004 - Directed Radio plays *The Philadelphia Story* and *The Bickersons*  
Sept 2003 - Directed *Doorway to Doom*, radio plays to sold-out audiences  
2000-2002 - Taught radio / live action presentations for Elder Learning Institute, U of M  
2000-2001 - Wrote/directed 192 award winning dramatic Sesquicentennial Radio vignettes  
1998-2006 - Sundays, work with St. Joseph's Parish students to interpret scripture readings  
1985 - Directed *The Fantastics* / St. Joseph's Parish  
1976 - Directed 36 national & local award winning Bicentennial TV vignettes



**WRITER** - *Business Video's / Slide shows / Live action presentations:*

Schwan's Centennial Celebration - Live singing/dancing historical stage show  
Sister Kenny Chronic Pain and Rehabilitation Program (video)  
Burlington Northern Wheel Shop (video) / Graco Ultra (film)  
Multi-Foods - English Muffin System (video) / Intertherm Heaters (video)  
State Fair three screen 3-D (film-KSTP-TV) / Dantes Test Security (Video)  
CETA (Comprehensive Employment & Training Act) (PSA)  
Minnesota Supreme Court Centennial Video (video) / Time Savers (Video)  
Thermo King (video) / "Inky Lou" for Louis O. Werneke Co. (film)  
Hubbard Broadcasting Inc. (Video Story Board)  
Governor's Council on Fire Prevention (Video-PSA)  
Shoplifting (Video-PSA) / County Attorney's (PSA)  
Scouting (slide show)  
Fins and Feathers Magazine (Proposal)  
Tony Fox Promotional (Proposal)  
Brooklyn Park Award Presentation (Proposal)