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Sessions from the Annual Conference for Stage Managers
2015 - 2025

BSMS 2015

Session #1 - Career Advice

w/ Lisa Dawn Cave, Valerie Lau Kee Lai, Bonnie Panson, Matt Stern, & Michael Wilhoite

Session #2 - Scenic Automation & Flying: *Spider-Man Turn Off The Dark*

w/ Valerie Lau Kee Lai, Michael Wilhoite, & Geoffrey Vaughn

Session #3 - Digital Calling Desk

w/ Joshua Halperin

Session #4 - Paperwork

w/ Narda E. Alcorn & Michael Wilhoite

Session #5 - Keynote: Peter Lawrence

w/ Peter Lawrence

Session #6 - Calling Large Musicals

w/ Lisa Dawn Cave, Frank Lombardi, & Arturo Porazzi

Session #7 - Teaching Stage Management

w/ Narda E. Alcorn, Frank Lombardi, & Matthew Stern

Session #8 - Teamwork

w/ Narda E. Alcorn, Frank Lombardi, Johnny Milani, Bonnie Panson, & Mike Zaleski

Session #9 - Managing Creatives

w/ Narda E. Alcorn & Linda Marvel

Session #10 - People Skills

w/ Linda Marvel & Matthew Stern

Session #11 - Director Relationship

w/ Karen Carpenter

Session #12 - Managing a Long Run

w/ Ron Vodicka from The Lion King

Session #13 - Open Forum Q & A

w/ Narda E. Alcorn, Karen Carpenter, Matthew Stern, & Arturo Porazzi

Session #14 - Closing Keynote

w/ Arturo Porazzi



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BSMS 2016

Session #1 - Paths to Broadway

w/ Sherry Cohen, Valerie Lau Kee Lai, Arthur Gaffin, & Jenny Slattery

Session #2 - AEA: Your Union & You

w/ Flora Stamatiades

Session #3 - Interview with Jeff Lee

w/ Jeff Lee

Session #4 - Your Resumes

w/ Karyn Meek, Jenny Slattery, & Matthew Stern

Session #5 - Company Management

w/ Brig Berney & Carl Flanigan

Session #6 - Calling - Spider-Man: Turn Off The Dark

w/ Valerie Lau Kee Lai, Kat Purvis, & Jenny Slattery

Session #7 - PSM & ASM on Production Assistants

w/ Michael Rico Cohen & Beverly Jenkins

Session #8 - Philosophy & Challenges

w/ Mahlon Kruse & Peter Lawrence

Session #9 - Keynote: *Hamilton*

w/ Jason Bassett from Hamilton

Session #10 - Keynote: SM Life

w/ Ira Mont

Session #11 - Safety & Flying

w/ Kelly Martindale, Karyn Meek, & Matthew Stern

Session #12 - Closing: Freelance Life

w/ Ryan Kirk & Matthew Stern



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BSMS 2017

Session #1 - New Musicals

w/ David Lober, Karyn Meek, & Bonnie Panson

Session #2 - Emotional Intelligence

w/ Bonnie Panson

Session #3 - Director's Vision

w/ Linda Marvel

Session #4 - On and Off Broadway

w/ Bess Marie Glorioso

Session #5 - PSM & His Right Hand Man

w/ Gary Mickelson & Arturo Porazzi

Session #6 - Nerds to Cats

w/ Ira Mont, Jennifer Rogers, & David Sugarman

Session #7 - The Young Guns

w/ Greg Livoti, Johnny Milani, & Thomas Recktenwald

Session #8 - Development

w/ Ken McGee & Matthew Stern

Session #9 - Size Matters: Big Shows

w/ Valerie Lau Kee Lai, Julia Jones, Ken McGee, & Alexis Shorter

Session #10 - Production Management

w/ Melissa Johnston, Ryan Kirk, Guy Kwan, & Duncan Northern

Session #11 - Keynote: Production Supervisors

w/ Clifford Schwartz & Thom Widmann

Session #12 - Closing: Leadership

w/ Matthew Stern



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BSMS 2018

Sessions #1 - #3: Saturday Morning

#1 - The Tao of Stage Managing

w/ Julia Jones

#2 - Mothers & Stage Managers

w/ Jill Cordle, Beverly Jenkins, Julia Jones, Andrea Saraffian, Alexis Shorter, Charlene Speyerer, & Amber White

#3 - Technology for Stage Managers

w/ Empty Space, Line-It, Prepared, & Stage Write

Sessions #4 - #6: Saturday Afternoon

#4 - Physical Fitness

w/ Jennifer Green

#5 - Harassment & Stage Management

w/ Barbara Davis, Mary McColl, Bernita Robinson, & Matthew Stern

#6 - Relationships with Directors

w/ Judy Schoenfeld

Sessions #7 - #9: Sunday Morning

#7 - Diversity, Inclusion, & Collaboration

w/ Narda E. Alcorn, Mahlon Kruse, Ken McGee, Mary Kathryn Flynt, Justin Scribner, & Matthew Stern

#8 - Stepping Up, from PA to Stage Manager

w/ Lauren Juengel, Emily Hayes, Cherie B. Tay

#9 - Show Boat to Frozen

w/ Lisa Dawn Cave

Sessions #10 - #12: Sunday Afternoon

#10 - Resumes & Cover Letters

w/ Matthew Stern

#11 - Calling Challenges: *Natasha, Pierre, & the Great Comet of 1812*

w/ Amy Marsico & Michael Wilhoite

#12 - Closing Session

w/ Matthew Stern



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BSMS 2019

Sessions #1 - #3: Saturday Morning

#1 - Stage Managing For Good: BCEFA & The Actors Fund

w/ Sherry Cohen, Valerie Lau Kee Lai, Renata Marinaro, & Peter Wolf

#2 - Calling Challenging: *The Lion King*

w/ Carmen Abrazado, Ellen Lavaia, & Ken McGee

#3 - Technology for Stage Managers

w/ Cast98, Empty Space, Production Pro, Stage Write

Sessions #4 - #6: Saturday Afternoon

#4 - Fight & Flight

w/ Anna Robb, Paul Rubin, J. Steven White

#5 - Stop! The Show Must Not Go On

w/ Diane DiVita, Ira Mont, Bonnie Panson, & Matthew Stern

#6 - Actors Perspective

w/ Lisa Dawn Cave, Kelvin Moon Loh, Frank Lombardi, Christina Sajous, & Elizabeth Stanley

Sessions #7 - #9: Sunday Morning

#7 - Social Media For Stage Managers

w/ Kaleigh Brenier, Rico Cohen, Matt DiCarlo, Adriana Douzos, Bertie Michaels, Sarah Harris, Mike Karns, & Cherie B. Tay

#8 - Maintaining Morale: The Little Things

w/ Gary Mickelson from *Come From Away*

#9 - Teamwork: The *Hadestown* SM Team

w/ Beverly Jenkins, Paul J. Smith, & Cherie B. Tay

Sessions #10 - #12: Sunday Afternoon

#10 - Keynote: The Jersey Boy

w/ Richard Hester

#11 - Your Fiscal Health

w/ Melissa Bondar, Sandra Karas, Evan Kingsbury from *Actors Federal Credit Union*, & Matthew Stern

#12 - Closing Session: Community

w/ Matthew Stern



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BSMS 2020

Session #1 - Turning Through The Years

w/ Robert Bennett, Sarah Harris, Jereme Kyle Lewis, Bonnie Panson,
Arturo Porazzi, & Cody Renard Richard

Session #2 - Mental Health For You & Your Company

w/ Matt DiCarlo, Lillian Gallina, Emily Hayes, Valerie Lau Kee Lai, Taryn Elizabeth Longo

Session #3 - Technology for Stage Managers

w/ CallQ, Cast98, Cue to Cue, Empty Space, Stage Write, & Upstage

Session #4 - Communication Tools

w/ Vinnie Macri & Frank Linton from *Clear-Com*, and Mac Johnson from *Point Source Audio*

Session #5 - We Wrote The Book

w/ Narda E. Alcorn, Thomas Kelly, Peter Lawrence, & Lisa Porter

Session #6 - Intimacy Onstage

w/ Brian Bogin, Jhanae Bonnick, Laurie Goldfeder, Sullivan Jones,
Cristina Ramos, & Claire Warden

Session #7 - Beyond Broadway: Going Corporate

w/ Hilary Austin, Heather Cousens, Carolyn Kelson, Mahlon Kruse, Robert Kalfin,
Matthew Silver, & Alex Volckhausen

Session #8 - The Stage Manager As Artist

w/ Narda E. Alcorn, Diane DiVita, Frank Lombardi, Chuck Means,
Jenn Rae Moore, & Michael Passaro

Session #9 - Managing Kids On Broadway

w/ Shanna Allison, Bonnie Becker, Ava Briglia, David Lober, Kelly Martindale, & Lisa Schwartz

Session #10 - Calling Session: *The Cher Show & Moulin Rouge*

w/ Michael Passaro

Session #11 - Your Bosses: The General Managers

w/ Ken Davenport, Carl Flanigan, & Charlotte Wilcox

Session #12 - Closing Session: Re-Evolution

w/ Matthew Stern



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BSMS 2021

Session #1 - Opening Keynote: Life Lessons

w/ Lisa Dawn Cave

Session #2 - Live Capture Recordings: *Diana, Come From Away*

w/ Sherry Cohen, Martha Donaldson, Gary Mickelson, & Arturo Porazzi

Session #3 - Anti-Racist Stage Management

w/ Narda E. Alcorn, Beverly Jenkins, R. Christopher Maxwell, Lisa Porter, Cody Renard Richard, & Ron Vodicka & moderated by Tiffany N. Robinson

Session #4 - Stage Management Theory

w/ Narda E. Alcorn & Lisa Porter, moderated by Kamra A. Jacobs

Session #5 - Calling *King Kong*

w/ Matthew Leiner & Alice M. Pollitt

Session #6 - Tik Tok Stage Managers

w/ Cherie B. Tay, Cody Renard Richard, & Michelle Scalpone

Session #7 - Sustainability for Stage Managers

w/ Molly Braverman, Jereme Kyle Lewis, & Valeria Lau Kee

Session #8 - Collaborating on Covid

w/ Guy Kwan, Lane Marsh, Michael Passaro, Charlene Speyerer, Kimberley Shaw, & moderated by Lauren Class Schneider

Session #9 - Keynote: Year of the Stage Manager

w/ Amanda Spooner

Session #10 - Global Perspectives & Working Abroad

w/ Sue Fenty-Studham, Amrita Puri, Margarita Sanchez, Matthew Shiner, Jason Trubitt, Mahlon Kruse, & moderated by Anna Robb

Session #11 - Audio Dept. Tech: You Don't Know What You Don't Know

w/ Vinnie Macri, Liz Coleman, Linda Marvel, & Kai Harada

Session #12 - Understudies, Swings, & Dance Captains, Oh My

w/ Josh Breckenridge, James Brown III, J. Austin Eyer, Jennie Ford, & Karen Moore

Session #13 - Leadership In A New Era

w/ Karyn Meek & Matthew Stern



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BSMS 2022

Session #1 - Opening Remarks

w/ Matthew Stern

Session #2 - Collaboration & Communication: Stage Hands

w/ Buist Bickley (props), Jessica Dermody (wardrobe), Carin Ford (audio), Kenneth J. McGee

Session #3 - The Stage Manager Tony Honorees

w/ Beverly Jenkins & Peter Lawrence, moderator: Wendee Lee Curtis

Session #4 - Technology & Innovation

w/ CallQ, Clear-Com, Cue-to-Cue, The Empty Space, Showbuilder, Stage Write

Session #5 - New Team Members: Directors of EDI & More

w/ Christina Alexander, Chloe Beck, Colette Luckie, Philip McAdoo, & Lisa Dawn Cave

Session #6 - Navigating New Plays

w/ Iark Hackshaw, Zhailon Levingston, Brant Sennett, Brian Hanshaw (*Chicken & Biscuits*) moderator: Michael Rico Cohen

Session #7 - The Study & Analysis of Stage Management

w/ Dr. Jennifer Leigh Sears Scheier & Karyn Meek

Session #8 - Keynote: Cherie B. Tay

w/ Cherie B. Tay

Session #9 - Show Calling: *Jagged Little Pill*

w/ Ira Mont, Vicky Navarro, Jennifer Rogers

Session #10 - Self Care & Stage Managers

w/ Gracy Obuchowicz & Justin Scribner

Session #11 - Broadway to the DGA, Theatre to Television

w/ Arthur Lewis, Jeff Markowitz, Cody Renard Richard, modeerator: Lauren Class Schneider

Session #12 - Closing Remarks

w/ Matthew Stern



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BSMS 2023

Session #1 – Moving the Show

w/ Beverly Jenkins, David Lober, Bonnie Panson

Session #2 – Calling: *The Phantom of the Opera*

w/ Jillian Oliver and Libby Unsworth

Session #3 – Accessibility On & Off Broadway

w/ Regan Linton (Actor, Director, Advocate), Sammy Lopez (Producer, *How To Dance In Ohio*), Peter Royston (Stage Manager, *Blue Man Group*), moderator: Lisa Porter (Educator & Author)

Session #4 – What's Next: Work & Life After Broadway

w/ Carmen I. Abrazado, Molly Braverman, Michael Rico Cohen, Robert Mark Kalfin

Session #5 – Quick Hits from Stage Managers & Innovators

w/ Sarah G. Harris, Charles Means, and Tech Partners

Session #6 - Spotlight on the Assistants

w/ Chirstopher Kee Anaya-Gorman, Danielle Ranno, Alexis Shorter

Session #7 – Collaborating with the Cultural Coordinator

w/ Tavia Jefferson, Charles Means, & Tim Semon

Session #8 – The New Equity

w/ Danee Conley, Dana Gal, Ira Mont, Christopher Kee Anaya-Gorman, & Alvin Vincent Jr. (*Equity Executive Director*)

Session #9 – Keynote, Jimmie Lee Smith

w/ Jimmie Lee Smith

Session #10 – Putting It Together: Creating A Career

w/ Veronica Aglow, Brant Sennett, T.J. Kearney, moderator: Bryan Runion

Session #11 (Bonus) – SM Wellness

w/ Georgia Bird & Diane DiVita



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BSMS 2024

Session #1 – Opening

w/ Matthew Stern

Session #2 – Authenticity in Stage Management

w/ Madison DeCoske & Jereme Kyle Lewis

Session #3 – Alumni on Broadway

w/ Lauren Cavanaugh, Norman Anthony Small, along with: Carolina Arboleda, Arcadio Lozano, Aldora Neal, and Ashani Smith

Session #4 – What Is Good Communication?

w/ Vinnie Macri from Clear-Com and Matthew Stern

Session #5 – Big Plays & Big Stars

w/ Jill Corle and Ken McGee

Session #6 – Wellness for Stage Managers

w/ Kenton Yeager

Session #7 – Assistants, Part Two

w/ Brandon Allmon-Jackson and Tiffany N. Robinson

Session #8 – Calling: *Kimberly Akimbo* and *Some Like It Hot*

w/ Matthew Kurtis Lutz and Arabella Powell

Session #9 – Managers in Collaboration

w/ Hillary Blanken (PM, Juniper Street), Kyle Bondar (GM, RCI Theatricals), Kim Shaw (CM, Foresight Theatrical), Lisa Schwartz (Child Guardian), and stage manager Karyn Meek

Session #10 – Around the World and Back Again

w/ Doc Zorthian

Session #11 – The Power of Stage Managers

w/ Narda E. Alcorn and Lisa Porter

Session #12 – Closing (Leadership)

w/ Matthew Stern



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BSMS 2025

Session #1 – Opening

w/ Matthew Stern

Session #2 – Connection Within the SM Team

w/ Cody Renard Richard & McKenzie Murphy

Session #3 – Broadway Besties: Company Manager & Stage Manager

w/ Beverly Jenkin & Lizz Cone

Session #4 – Leaving a Legacy: BCEFA & Connection to Community

w/ Danny Whitman, Tom Viola, Ken McGee, Julie DeVore, & Johnny Milani

Session #5 – Connect with Comms, Live in the UK

w/ Ben Turnwell & MJ in the UK

Session #6 – Networking: Making Connections

w/ Matthew Stern, Ken McGee & Amanda Spooner

Session #7 – Calling Bettlejuice & MJ: The Musical

w/ Sheryl Polanco & David Sugarman

Session #8 – The Mentorship Connection

w/ Narda E. Alcorn & Kamra A. Jacobs

Session #9 – Connecting with Non-Profits & NGOs

w/ Amy Marsico & Molly Braverman

Session #10 – Legends Connecting

w/ Gwen Gilliam & Arturo Porazzi

Session #11 – Connecting Across the Ocean: Imports/Exports

w/ Jill Cordle, Diane DiVita, Terry Dickson & Sharon Hobden

Session #12 – Connecting with Ourselves: Mental Health

w/ Ivy Austin, Lisa Gajda Maiolo, and Larry Smiglewski

Session #13 – Community Orgs: SMAs Around the World

w/ Andy Rowley-UK, Hope Rose Kelly-USA, Keyur Shah-India, Maria Davilla-Spain, Lillian U-Aust

Session #14 – Going Paperless

w/ Molly Braverman, Erica Ammerman, Ulrik Gad, Anders Duus Østergaard

Session #15 – AI and Tech in Stage Management

w/ Ryan Kirk, Shannon Slaton, Tom Zhang

Session #16 – You and Your Body

w/ Claudia Hodgson, Nikki Hyde and Sydney Golden

Session #17 – Training Day, Prepared

w/ Ryan Kirk & Melissa Johnston

Session #18 – Closing: Looking Forward

w/ Matthew Stern & Andy Rowley

And Breakout Sessions



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SM TECH FRIDAYS

**Webinars exploring technologies for stage managers
2020-2021**

1. Virtual Callboard	24. QLab
2. Prepared	25. Streamyard
3. CallQ	26. Scriptation
4. Stage Write	27. Election 1
5. Cue to Cue	28. Activism/Voting
6. Clear-Com	29. Your Voice
7. Filemaker	30. Cuelist
8. Point Source Audio	31. Walkable Plans
9. Upstage	32. ShowToolsSM
10. Cast98	33. Yamdu
11. Final Draft	34. vMix
12. Line-It	35. Stage Doc
13. Filemaker2	36. Stream Deck
14. ETC Cue System	37. Booktix
15. Covid Theatre Discussion	38. Fade In
16. Digital Calling Desk	39. Empty Space/Virtual Callboard 2
17. Google Sites	40. DSG
18. Spider-Man	41. Stage Write #2
19. Airtable	42. Cue to Cue & Green
20. Theatron	43. Vectorworks
21. ShowBuilder	44. Roam
22. Zoom	45. Shoflo
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	47. Finale



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SM TECH MONDAY - SM Webinars from our Partners, 2022

1. Stage Write
2. Stage Spot: Preparing for Anything To Go Wrong
3. Showbuilder
4. Cue-to-Cue & CallQ
5. Broadway Advocacy Coalition: A Taste of Change Agent Training
6. Virtual Callboard: The Empty Space

SM TECH FRIDAY - SM Webinars from our Partners, 2023

1. CallQ & Stage Write
2. Virtual Callboard
3. Cuelist & Clear-Com
4. Broadway Makers Market & Prepared
5. Cue-to-Cue
6. Showbuilder
7. Places & Stage Spot

SM TECH FRIDAY - SM Webinars from our Partners, 2024

1. Stage Write
2. Clear-Com
3. Prepared
4. Virtual Callboard
5. Showbuilder
6. ProductionPro (SM Q&A)
7. TheatreDNA

SM TECH FRIDAY - SM Webinars from our Partners, 2025

1. Stage Write
2. Virtual Callboard
3. Showbuilder
4. Prospero
5. Cuelist