

The Second City Works Facilitators

Robyn Scott | Jeff Griggs | Shad Kunkle | John Loos | Rachael Mason | Lori McClain



Robyn Scott Robyn Scott received her degree in addiction studies from Texas Tech University and subsequently worked as a case manager until 2001 when she decided to change course and pursue an acting career. Since graduating from the Conservatory at The Second City, she has performed with several improv ensembles throughout Chicago and in many sketch comedy festivals.

As a member of The Screen Actors Guild, Robyn has worked in TV and feature films. Credits include: *The Rosie O'Donnell Show*, *Public Enemies*, and several national television commercials. As a member of the Actors' Equity Association, she has performed at The Goodman Theatre, The American Theatre Company, and The Second City in their theatricals *Twist Your Dickens* and *Date Me*.

Robyn has freelanced as a commercial copywriter, worked as a voice-over artist, and has written and produced a pilot and an award-winning web series. Her work as a program designer and lead facilitator for Second City Works has been featured in *The Wall Street Journal*, on NBC's *The Today Show*, and on ABC's *World News with Diane Sawyer*. She also serves as a private executive presence coach and travels internationally, leading corporate sessions in innovation, change management, leadership, and storytelling.



Jeff Griggs is a Facilitator for Second City Works, and a performer and Director for Second City Theatricals. He is also the author of the book, *Guru; My Days with Del Close*. He has performed and taught improv at theaters and festivals around the world and in Chicago. He teaches at Columbia College and the Harold Ramis Film School and is a faculty member at Second City and IO Theater. He also performs with the team Aphasia and at iO Theater with Deep Schwa.



Shad Kunkle is an actor, improv comedian, and communications professional with more than a decade of experience on stage and screen. He has performed with Chicago's famed theater, The Second City, for more than six years, appearing in productions including *South Side of Heaven*, *What the Tour Guide Didn't Tell You: A Chicago Revue*, and *Sex in the Second City: iLove*. He also toured the country with The Second City's Blue Company. With The Second City Works, which works with more than 400 companies each year, he is a top Trainer, Facilitator, Host, and Performer.

Kunkle honed his craft at ComedySportz and iO Chicago, where he currently performs with long-running improv shows *Carl and The Passions* and the *Armando Diaz Experience*. He also does voice over and commercial work, appearing in spots for Walmart and Long John Silver's, among others. Kunkle loves his wife, Kate, their daughters, Anna and Winifred, and their belligerently disruptive cat, Azul.



John Loos is a writer, facilitator, teacher, and performer with The Second City. He has worked closely with companies of all sizes, including many Fortune 500 companies, to enhance both internal and client communication, sharpen individual presentation skills, uncover brand insights, craft compelling brand stories, decode complex media trends, and create unique content.

His work with The Second City began in 2010 when he performed on board Norwegian Cruise Line and since then he has become a teacher in the writing program in the Second City Training Center, as well as a featured writer of dozens of articles and videos for The Second City Network. Some of his content has been featured on such news outlets as *The Huffington Post*, *Fox News*, *The Daily Beast*, and *InfoWars* (yes, that InfoWars. Whoops.).

With Second City Works, he has traveled around the country and internationally, facilitating workshops and delivering custom learnings. He has specialization in storytelling and uncovering brand insights and, away from Second City, has written four plays and directed many sketch comedy shows. He has a bachelor's degree in news/editorial journalism, and he worked for years for several business-to-business magazines, honing his skills as a corporate storyteller.



Rachael Mason began her career in improvisation at Skidmore College, home of the National College Comedy Festival, with the Ad-Liberal Artists. After graduating with a degree in English literature, concentrating on Shakespearean studies, she moved to Chicago to study improv comedy with Del Close. She trained at The Second City, The Annoyance, and iO. Currently she performs with The Second City Improv Allstars, and The Playboys. She is most happy when she is teaching improv.



Lori McClain was born in Toledo, Ohio, and received her B.F.A. in acting from Wright State University. She moved to Chicago to study at The Second City, and with her classmates, helped found WNEP Theatre. For Second City, she has been an actor, improviser, teacher, and most notably, performing the role of Patti Blagojevich in their hit musical, *Rod Blagojevich Superstar!* She sings jazz with the Lori McClain Trio, and is a voice actor for numerous videos and audiobooks. She has been an artist-in-residence at the University of Chicago Lab School summer drama program since 2005. Television commercials include, Meijer's, Aldi, Walmart, and Lyrica.



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