Silva Semerciyan

Writing CV

Witches Can't Be Burned National Theatre Connections

2020 & 2021

A school is preparing Arthur Miller's *The Crucible* for a national competition, but as rehearsals go on, the cast begins to resist its depictions of girls and women.

His Peers

Theatre Royal Bath, dir. Lee Lyford

2017

A man stands accused of a violent crime against a teenage girl. Now he must face down a jury of his peers. And they're all women.

A Quest for Arthur

National Theatre

2017

A reimagining of Arthurian Legend for KS2 pupils, written for the National Theatre's 'Let's Play' Series.

Under a Cardboard Sea

Bristol Old Vic, dir. Lisa Gregan and Matt Grinter

Young Addie King dreams of being an engineer in a world where clockwork still reigns supreme.

The Light Burns Blue

Bristol Old Vic, dir. Lisa Gregan

2015

2016

During the first world war, seventeen year old Elsie Wright fools the world into believing she has photographed fairies in her garden. Commissioned by Tonic Theatre and Nick Hern.

I and the Village

Theatre 503, dir. Robert Shaw Cameron

2015

As outsider investigate what happened on the day Aimee Stright walked into a church with a gun, it seems she is one against the world, and the world wants to know why.

The Tinderbox

Bristol Old Vic, dir. Lisa Gregan

2014

When a disillusioned solider returns from the front and comes into the possession of a magical tinderbox that can grant him anything he wishes, the storm clouds begin to gather.

The Window

Bristol Old Vic, dir. Lee Lyford

2014

One woman is your guide through family, planning permission and a friendship that was never supposed to happen. The story of what happened when a window was put in a wall. Performed by Charlotte Melia.

Duelling Bristols

Bristol Old Vic, dir. Charlotte Melia

2013

An old fashioned radio recording studio becomes the site of a zany tale of forbidden love and family feuds.

Gather Ye Rosebuds Theatre 503, dir. Diyan Zora

2013

A group of women come together to celebrate a rite of passage for a young girl, but will the party be over before her father gets home? Winner of Best New Play Award, Brighton Fringe Festival and The Bulbul Competition, Sandpit Productions.

Varanasi (radio play) Screentest Productions, dir. Graham Pountney 2013

An English couple travel to India's holy city in memory of their son, but when they get lost on the River Ganges, their pilgrimage becomes a test of faith. Finalist for a BBC audio drama award.

Flashes Young Vic Theatre, dir. Amelia Sears 2012

A London community secretly prepares for a flashmob on New Year's Eve. Devised with the community theatre company.

Stalemate Golden Thread, dir. Desdemona Chiang 2012

At a hi-fi shop and a disco in London and a war field in Iraq. Three sets of opponents in stalemate.

Another Man's Son National Theatre Studio, dir. Tarek Iskander 2011

A young Armenian nurse falls pregnant out of wedlock and must choose between her family and her future. Winner of the William Saroyan Prize. Developed with support from the PlayPenn Conference, Philadelphia 2008

Reality (musical) Olympus Theatre, Music by Katie Lees 2006

Six contestants vie for the heart of a rich, dashing producer. The lucky girl who wins his love, will also win the lead role in his upcoming musical. But when they discover that in reality he's a fake, will they love him or leave him?