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BIO (full)

GABRIEL BARRE is an internationally acclaimed director whose work includes the off-Broadway production of **The Wild Party** by Andrew Lippa at the Manhattan Theatre Club in New York City which was nominated for numerous awards, including five Outer Critics Circle Awards and thirteen Drama Desk Awards, both including Best Direction of a Musical and for which he won the Calloway Award for Best Direction. He also directed the US national tour of Rodger's and Hammerstein's, **Cinderella**, starring Eartha Kitt, which toured the country for three years as well as productions at the Paper Mill Playhouse in New Jersey, the Ogunquit Playhouse in Maine and the North Carolina Theatre in Raleigh. He also directed the national tour of **Pippin**, which originated at the Goodspeed Opera House in Connecticut and played throughout the US and Canada. Other original off-Broadway credits include: **Almost, Maine** at the Daryl Roth Theatre, **Summer of '42** at the Variety Arts Theatre, **Honky Tonk Highway** at Don't Tell Mama (winner of a MAC Award and Bistro Award for Best Review) **Stars in Your Eyes** at the Cherry Lane Theatre and **john & jen** at the Lamb's Theatre as well as three concerts at Lincoln Center as part of the American Songbook Series and a number of concerts at Town Hall. His regional credits include the world premieres of **Tom Jones** (winner of Independent Reviewers of New England Award for Best Direction) and the world premiere production of **Memphis**, both at the North Shore Music Theatre in Boston. He also directed **Memphis** at Theatreworks in Palo Alto, CA where it was the winner of the San Francisco Bay Area Critics Association Award for Best Direction. He also directed the critically acclaimed productions of **Private Lives** at the Seattle Repertory Theatre, and **Hay Fever** and **Pericles** at the Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey, as well as **Stand By Your Man**, a new musical about Tammy Wynette, which played at the Ryman Auditorium in Nashville for two years. He also directed the world premiere of the new musical, **Time After Time** at the Pittsburgh Playhouse. At the Goodspeed Opera House in Connecticut, he also directed the revivals of **Sweeney Todd** (winner of four Connecticut Critics Circle Awards including Best Musical and Best Direction of a Musical), **Finian's Rainbow** (nominated for five Connecticut Critics Circle Awards), the new musical, **Houdini**, which he remounted at the Marriott-Lincolnshire Theatre in Chicago, and the revival of **King of Hearts**, as well as many other new musicals including **Fanny Hill**, **Dorian** and Frank Wildhorn's, **Camille Claudel**, starring Linda Eder. Meanwhile, in Europe and Asia, he has directed the world premiere of another Frank Wildhorn musical, **Carmen**, now in it's third sold out year in Prague, Czech Republic where he has also recently mounted a large scale revival of the musical **Jesus Christ Superstar**. Gabe has recently returned from directing the world premiere of the new musical, **Tears of Heaven** in Seoul, South Korea and is in pre-production for the musical, **Monkey King**, to open later this year in Beijing, China.

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As an actor, Gabriel Barre was nominated for a Tony Award for Best Actor in a Musical for his performance in **Starmites** (recently released on CD) and won a Bistro Award as an original cast member in **Forever Plaid**. Other New York performing credits include - Broadway: **Ragtime** (final Toronto workshop), **Ain't Broadway Grand, Rags, Anna Karenina, Barnum** (first national tour); Off-Broadway: **Return to the Forbidden Planet, The Petrified Prince** at the Public Theatre, **Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris**, which he also did the musical staging for, **A Fine and Private Place**, which he also directed, as well as numerous productions at the Roundabout Theatre, Mirror Repertory Company, Lamb's Theatre, Playwright's Horizons, Jewish Repertory Theatre, INTAR, York Theatre and LaMama E.T.C. His film credits include: **The Amazing Floydini** (Lead), **The Gurneyman** (Lead), **Luggage of the Gods** (Lead), **Girl 6, Quiz Show, Summer of Sam, The Road to Wellville** and **Stardust Memories**. And, on television he has appeared on "**Law & Order**", "**Fame**", "**Kate & Allie**", **Nickelodeon**, and a number of programs on PBS.