## Karen De Mauro

# The Acting Center



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AEA / AFTRA Actress, Dancer, Singer (Mezzo)

#### REPRESENTATIVE ROLES

NIGHT OF THE IGUANA

Dir. Anne Bogart/Estrella

THE BACCHAE

With Jacqueline Brookes

**FACES OF GOD** 

Dir. Gregory Abels

THE WORKING THEATRE

With Joseph Chalkin

**ABOUT MEN** 

With Phyllis Chesler

**ELEEOMOSYNARY** 

DUSE AND BERNHARDT

THE THREEPENNY OPERA

**COME BACK... JIMMIE DEAN** 

Maxine

Choreophagus

Julian Of Norwich

Ensemble

Mrs. Tillich

Artie

Sarah Bernhardt Mrs. Peachum

Joanne

### INTERNATIONAL AND US TOURS

**FOOTFALLS (**JAPANESE PREMIERE)

RIDERS TO THE SEA

**NYFA ARTIST IN RESIDENCE** 

1980-2001

May

Maurya

10 roles /year 150 days/year

#### **REGIONAL AND STOCK**

THE BELLE OF AMHERST **Emily Dickinson** THE CRUCIBLE Elizabeth Proctor **DAMES AT SEA** Mona Kent KISS ME KATE Bianca THE MOUSETRAP Mollie Ralston THE FANTASTICKS Louisa **SAINT JOAN** Joan **BECKETT** The Young Queen THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING Gwendolyn **EARNEST** SHAKESPEAREAN WOMEN Gertrude / Helena **FILM AND TELEVISION CNBC-TV** "THE MONEY CLUB" Featured guest JOE CHAIKIN "GOING ON" Ensemble **CBS DOCUMENTARY** THE LIVING HISTORY Elizabeth CNN-TV "THE WAR SHOW" Commentator **PLACES WORKED** THE MANHATTAN THEATRE CLUB MABOU MIMES THE UNITED NATIONS (Special BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY (Faculty) Assembly) THEATREWORKS USA THEATRE CENTRE LTD. / LONDON THE CATHEDRAL OF ST.JOHN THE NY COM, FOR YOUNG AUDIENCES DIVINE MARBLE COLLEGIATE CHURCH NY FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS NOHO THEATRE COMPANY - KYOTO **BOSTON UNIVERSITY (BFA)** THE JUILLIARD SCHOOL - (Guest Artist) ARTPARK ('83 - '94) **TRAINING ACTING VOICE BODYWORK** Peter Kass AIKIDO: Yamada Kristin Linklater Ted Kasanoff Sense! YOGA: Amrit Desai. George Morrison Roy Hart Company Michael Lee TAI CHI: Don Ahn **Albert Tavares** Joan Lader NOH: Michishige Bill Hickey **Debbie Lapidus** Uclaka Maxine Kline DANCE ALEXANDER: Judy Liebowitz, **PLAYWRITING** Geraldine Fitzgerald JoJo Smith (Jazz) Jean Claude Van Itallie Harold Guskin Irene Comer (Ballet)

Brian Jones (Tap)

#### A Brief Overview:

Inspired by Chaikin, Van Itallie, and *The Open Theatre* work in the late 60's Karen De Mauro moved to NY after a decade of performing in musicals, classical plays and training in England with Brian Way and in Boston at BU's School of Fine Arts.

She joined *The Working Theatre* a collaborative of Chaikin, Linklater, and Kass and also took a job in casting at the Manhattan Theatre Club. During this time she continued to perform Off-Broadway in such shows as *The Bacchae*. And she directed for the United Nations and worked as an Actress-in-Residence for the NY Foundation for the Arts and Theatreworks USA.

Her next major move was to Japan where she performed the American premiere of Samuel Beckett's *Footfalls*. Karen was honored to be chosen as one of the first Western women to practice and perform the sacred **Noh Theatre** at Yasaka Shrine. Since the mid 80's she has continued to incorporate the spiritual practices of Eastern Theatre into her Western performances.

De Mauro's work in the 90's centered around creating original musicals in schools and communities all over the United States and in building a solo performance career. As an adult storyteller she expanded her internal work to include the National Storytelling Association's vast network of community festivals. Her legit theatre work during this time shifted to coaching Broadway actors as well as corporate executives in presentation skills. She produced and acted in several shows such as *Faces of God* and *Duse and Bernhardt*.

Karen's next acting project is a new show about Rachel Carson. She is also putting the finishing touches on her book *Acting as a Way* which will be published early in 2002.