

Melody A. Johnson

Actor Writer Educator

An accomplished performer and writer Melody has enjoyed a career of moving between the worlds of comedy and drama. For the past seven years she has toured the self penned *Miss Caledonia* all over Canada, (premiering at the Tarragon Theatre and the National Arts Centre), and across the UK. The play garnered two Toronto Dora theatre nominations, and Calgary's Betty Mitchell Award, and Melody was honoured to win Ontario Contact's Touring Artist for 2014. *Person of Interest*, is now delighting critics and audiences alike with its' topical tale of neighbourly warfare, and has been welcomed back to the same venues as previous tours.

Comedic and theatrical highlights: *Mimi*, co created with Allen Cole & Rick Roberts, (Tarragon), *Assassins/RMTC*, **7 Stories**/ Theatre Calgary/CanStage (Betty Mitchell award nomination), **Trout Stanley**/Factory Theatre, **I Think I Can** YPT/NAC, **Our Town**/Two Planks, (Merrit nomination), **Blithe Spirit**/Soulpepper, **It's All True**, Tarragon/Necessary Angel, **An Awkward Evening with Martin & Johnson** with Bob Martin (**The Drowsy Chaperone**). Numerous Dora nominations and a win for the title role in **Little Mercy's First Murder**/Tarragon-Shaw Festival.

An alumna of **The Toronto Second City** mainstage Melody has directed *Tour Co.* , Mainstage revues, comedyturged **Chicago Second City's 2016 #DateMe**. Melody also voices Nola the turtle on Treehouse TV's *Agent Binky*, and she is also a faculty member at the **Humber School of Comedy**. Please see awards on following page.

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Awards

2016 One Night Only – Improvised musical, directed by Melody Johnson, NOW Audience Choice Award Dora

2014 Ontario Contact Touring Artist of the Year (Miss Caledonia)

2013 Dora Mavor Moore Award nominations for best New Play, and also Outstanding actress, Miss Caledonia

2010 Canadian Comedy Award - Best Sketch Show (Director - 0% Down 100% Screwed, Secondy City)

2010 Betty Mitchell Award Nomination - Outstanding Performance by an Actress in a Comedy (7 Stories, theatre Calgary/Canstage)

2009 Merritt Award Nomination - Outstanding Performance by an Actress in a Supporting Role (Our Town, Two Planks and a Passion)

2007 Dora Mavor Moore Award Nomination – Outstanding Performance in a Principal Role, Musical (I Think I Can YPT/National Arts Centre)

2005 Dora Mavor Moore Award Nomination – Best Leading Actress (Trout Stanley, Factory Theatre)

2003 Dora Mavor Moore Award – Best Leading Actress, Musical (Little Mercy's First Murder, Tarragon/Shaw Festival)

2003 Canadian Comedy Award Nomination – Best Sketch Troupe (An Awkward Evening With Martin & Johnson, Tarragon Extra Space)

2000 Canadian Comedy Award Nomination – Best Comedy Actor (Nude Beachwear 100% Off, Toronto Second City)

1999 Dora Mavor Moore Award Nomination – Best Supporting Actress (It's All True, Tarragon Theatre)

1997 Dora Mavor Moore Award Nomination – Best actress in a comedy or musical, Second City's Last Tango on Lombard

1990 Dora Mavor Moore Award Nomination – Best Leading Actress (The Europeans, Necessary Angel Theatre)