

MATTHEW LOREN COHEN

music director :: composer :: pianist

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EDUCATION

B.A. Music :: Florida State University :: Phi Beta Kappa :: Magna Cum Laude

EXPERIENCE

<i>THE NUCLEAR FAMILY</i> Music director	Belt Theatre :: New York, New York The Groundlings :: Los Angeles, California	Mar 2001–Present
THE SECOND CITY Music director	Chicago, Illinois Los Angeles, California	Mar 2009–Present
<i>BABY WANTS CANDY</i> Music director	Apollo Theatre :: Chicago, Illinois UCB :: Los Angeles, California	Jan 2013–Present
<i>FAIRYTALES UNSCRIPTED</i> Music director	Impro Theatre at Lewis Family Playhouse Rancho Cucamonga, California	Jan–Feb 2016
<i>SONDHEIM UNSCRIPTED</i> Guest music director	Impro Theatre at the Falcon Theatre Los Angeles, California	Aug–Sept 2015
NBC/UNIVERSAL SKETCH COMEDY PILOT Music director	NBC/Universal Los Angeles, California	Jan 2014–Jan 2015
<i>GAME NIGHT</i> Music director :: co-creator	The Second City Chicago, Illinois	April 2014–July 2014
THE DAILY SHOW W/ JON STEWART Composer: “Stay, Mr. Hannity, Stay” and “Koch Blocked”	Comedy Central New York, New York	Jan–Feb 2014
SECOND CITY TOURING COMPANY Contracted music director	The Second City Chicago, Illinois	Feb 2011–Dec 2013
<i>BEST MUSICAL!</i> Music director :: director:: creator	Porchlight Music Theatre Chicago, Illinois	Mar 2012–Nov 2013
<i>THE SECOND CITY DOES DALLAS</i> Music director :: composer	Dallas Theatre Center Dallas, Texas	Sept–Oct 2012
<i>THE SECOND CITY 2: MORE PRIDE...LESS PORK</i> Music director :: composer	Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park Cincinnati, Ohio	May–July 2012
<i>BROADS ON BOARDS</i> Music director :: music :: lyrics	Annoyance Theatre Chicago, Illinois	Aug 2011–Apr 2012
COMEDYSPORTZ CHICAGO Music director	Comedysportz Theater Chicago, Illinois	Mar 2011–Apr 2012
<i>SPOILER ALERT: EVERYBODY DIES</i> Music director	Woolly Mammoth Theatre Company Washington, D.C.	Dec 2011–Jan 2012

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EXPERIENCE (CONT'D)

<i>SOUTH SIDE OF HEAVEN</i> Understudy music director	The Second City Mainstage Chicago, Illinois	Apr 2011–Jan 2012
<i>THE SECOND CITY: CHARMED AND DANGEROUS</i> Music director :: composer	Centerstage Baltimore, Maryland	Sept–Oct 2011
<i>THE SECOND CITY: IT TAKES A 'VILLE</i> Music director :: composer	Actors Theatre of Louisville Louisville, Kentucky	Dec 2010–Jan 2011
<i>MIRACLE AT 1280 PEACHTREE</i> Music director :: composer	Alliance Theatre Atlanta, Georgia	Nov–Dec 2010
<i>THE SECOND CITY DOES ARIZONA</i> Music director :: composer	Arizona Theatre Company Phoenix and Tucson, Arizona	Mar–May 2010
<i>BROADWAY'S NEXT HIT MUSICAL</i> Music director :: co-creator	The Triad / Don't Tell Mama New York, New York	Sept 1999–Mar 2010
COMEDYSPORTZ NEW YORK Music director	Broadway Comedy Club New York, New York	Jan 2005–Mar 2009
CHICAGO CITY LIMITS Music director	Chicago City Limits Theatre New York, New York	Mar 2000–Feb 2009
<i>JASON & BEN</i> Book :: music :: lyrics	New York Musical Theatre Festival New York, New York	Sept–Oct 2008
<i>LIFEGAME</i> Keyboardist	The National Network (now SpikeTV) New York, New York	Aug–Oct 2001
NEW YORK THEATRESPORTS Music director	The Trilogy Theatre New York, New York	Mar–Apr 1999

TEACHING

PRIVATE WORKSHOPS Music improv instructor	Various locations N.Y., L.A., Chicago, Austin, Cincinnati	Mar 2000–present
THE NERDIST Music improv coordinator	Meltdown Comics Los Angeles, CA	Feb 2015–present
THE SECOND CITY TRAINING CENTER Music conservatory instructor	The Second City Los Angeles, CA and Chicago, IL	Nov 2012–present

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OTHER

- Wrote and performed corporate material for such clients as United Healthcare, Humana, Georgia Pacific, Pfizer, CVS, Tribeca Film Festival, Hyatt, Michael's, Disney, Deloitte University and others
- Music-directed Second City casts aboard four Norwegian Cruise Lines ships including the inaugural casts of *Norwegian Epic* and *Norwegian Breakaway*
- Music-directed OffBeat Comedy Club cast aboard Disney Cruise Lines' *Magic*

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- Proficient with programming and running QLab and QCart
- Proficient with Logic Pro, Ableton, GarageBand, Audacity, Microsoft Word suite
- Professional, copywriter, copy-editor and proofreader