

MASTER OF CEREMONIES ALAN MURAOKA



Alan Muraoka is most recognizable for his role in the Emmy-winning series, Sesame Street, where he has played Alan, the proprietor of Hooper's Store for 22 seasons. With Sesame Street Alan has performed at the White House (for President Obama and the First Lady Michelle Obama), the Pentagon, Carnegie Hall, the Hollywood Bowl, the NY Public Library, and with the Boston Pops, Alan has appeared in 7 Broadway shows: Disney's Aladdin, the Roundabout Theatre revival of Pacific Overtures, The King and I, My Favorite Year, Shogun, the Musical, Mail, and most notably Miss Saigon, where he played the lead role of the Engineer. He is featured in the films, It Could Happen to You, and Day of Independence. Other television credits include City on the Hill, Curb Your Enthusiasm, 30 Rock, Brotherhood, Late Night With David Letterman, and The Tonight Show, as well as numerous commercials.

As a director: Television: Alan has directed episodes of Sesame Street and this past year co-directed a racism special for Sesame Street and HBO Max called The Power of We. He also directs and choreographs the Sesame Street float for the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade on NBC. For the holiday season he directed an original virtual musical called The Nice List which streamed for free on YouTube and was viewed around the world.

As a theatre director Mr. Muraoka received critical praise for his Off-Broadway revival of Falsettoland (National Asian American Theater Company). Other New York credits include: The Report (NY Fringe Festival), Avenue Q (Resident Director New World Stages), Elizabeth Ward Land in Still Within The Sound of My Voice (Green Room 42), Jennifer Barnhart: It's About Time (Laurie Beechman) Kung Fu (Signature Theatre-Assistant Director), Ann Harada: American Songbook (Lincoln Center), Awesomer & Awesomer!!! (Triad Theatre), Telly Leung: Playlist and What Makes a Man? (54 Below), Grand Hotel (NYU/Cap 21), John Tartaglia AD-LIBerty (Joe's Pub), & Christmas Eve With Christmas Eve (BC/EFA Benefits). For the past 3 years he has been a director for the ABC Talent Showcase,. Regionally: Gold Mountain (Eccles Theatre Salt Lake City & Peery's Egyptian Theatre in Ogden) South Pacific (Olney Theatre), Once On This Island (Olney Theatre), At the Lyric Theatre in Oklahoma City: The King and I, Xanadu, Disney's High School Musical and Disney's High School Musical 2. Other regional credits include Disney's High School Musical (MUNY, Casa Manana), Urinetown (Trinity University), and Associate Director for Up In The Air (Kennedy Center).

Mr. Muraoka is a graduate of UCLA, where he received the Carol Burnett Musical Comedy Award for performance. He was also the 2004 recipient of the APEX Inspiration Award and the FCC's 2007 Role Model of the Year Award. Please visit his website at: www.alanmuraoka.tv.

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