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2008 Legendary Landmark Bernie Sahlins

Bernie Sahlins is a co-founder of Chicago's famous Second City improvisational comedy troupe, for which he produced and directed 65 shows during his decades-long association. He is also a co-founder of the International Theatre Festival of Chicago and the Lithuanian International Theater Festival. Mr.

Sahlins has written, adapted and directed plays for Chicago's annual Humanities Festival, Chicago Shakespeare Theatre, the University of Chicago's Court Theater and Rockefeller Chapel, Art Institute, Field Museum and other cultural venues in the city. He has been the recipient of the Sergel Prize for play writing, Illinois Arts Alliance Legend Award, professional achievement awards from the University of Chicago and the Chicago Drama League, Joseph Jefferson awards for both directing and professional achievement and an achievement award from the Improv Festival. Mr. Sahlins is a graduate of the University of Chicago and received an honorary doctorate from Columbia College in 2006.