

# Bessie Zolno

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Height: 5ft 2 in  
Eyes: Brown  
Hair: Dark Brown  
Mezzo-Soprano, F3-A5

## Theatre Productions

Helen	Helen	Columbia College Chicago	CJ Day
Shift*	Ellen	Bechdel Fest/Broken Nose Theater	Gaby Labotka
Shoom-Ka	Tina	Chicago Theatre Marathon	Mike Danovich
Gypsy	Val/ Balloon Girl/ Various	Jedlicka Performing Arts Center	Steven Calzaretta
La Cage Aux Folles	Anne Dindon	Bay Area Musicals	Matthew McCoy
The Boy From Oz	Women's Trio/Ensemble	Landmark Musical Theatre	Jon Rosen
This is Our Youth+	Jessica Goldman	Marin Onstage	Pat Nims
The Real Thing	Debbie	Masquers Playhouse	Robert Estes
Timon! The Musical*	Various	Theatre Rhinoceros	John Fisher
Fiddler on the Roof+	Chava	Novato Theater Company	Pat Nims
The Living <sup>++</sup>	John Graunt	OakTechRep	Jessa Berkner Moreno
Wait Until Dark	Gloria	Circle of Life Theatre	Fritz Lambdrake
The Music Man	Zaneeta Shinn	Berkeley Playhouse	Marissa Wolf
American Night <sup>^</sup>	Joan Baez/Various	OakTechRep	Jessa Berkner Moreno
In the Red and Brown Water <sup>^</sup>	Woman from State	OakTechRep	Jessa Berkner Moreno
Eurydice	Little Stone	Douglas Morrison Theatre	Susan E. Evans
99 Years*	Ensemble	OakTechRep	Jessa Berkner Moreno
Sound of Music	Postulant/Ensemble	Berkeley Playhouse	Elizabeth McKoy
Member of the Wedding	Helen Fletcher	Douglas Morrison Theatre	Eric Fraisher Hayes
Otello	Flower Girl/Chorus	Verismo Opera Company	Frederick Winthrop
Annie	Orphan, Newsie	Berkeley Playhouse	Mina Morita
Born and Raised*	Ensemble	Berkeley Playhouse	Jon Tracy
Pericles	Nurse, Bawd, Goddess Diana	Cal Shakes Summer	Trish Tillman

\*World premiere <sup>^</sup>Dance captain <sup>+</sup>BroadwayWorld SF Nominee: Best Featured Actress; <sup>++</sup>BroadwayWorld SF Winner: Best Leading Actress

## Readings and Workshops

The Wolves*	#46	San Francisco Playhouse	Tracy Ward
Girl Talk*	Margarita	Three Girls Theatre	Suze Allen
Fluffy, A Gorilla*	Alice	Virago Theatre Company	Laura Lundy-Paine
Low Hanging Fruit *	Canyon	Magic Theatre	Anthony Miller
Crystal Springs*	Haley Gelman	Z Below	Tracy Ward
The Lady Scribblers*	Catherine Trotter	Butterfield 8	Heather Ondersma
Bind the Broken Hearted*	Maya	Playwrights' Center of San Francisco	Brady Brophy-Hilton

## Film and Television

Business of the Breakdown	Baylie (featured)	Caticorn Entertainment	Yun Shin
Stalled	Sasha (principal)	Scary Cow Productions	Chrissy Dodson
Fight Back	Heckler (supporting)	VJTV	Terence Candell

## Training

**BA Musical Theatre Performance, minor in Stage Combat:** Columbia College Chicago/ Class of 2020

**Intensives:** Broadway Artists Alliance Summer/Vocal Major; Pace University Summer Scholars/Musical Theatre; American Conservatory Theater Young Conservatory; Young Actors Theatre Camp/5 sessions; Berkeley Playhouse Teen Conservatory/8 sessions; Cal Shakes Conservatory.

**Acting:** Columbia/ Jeff Ginsberg, John MacFarland; OakTechRep/Jessa Berkner Moreno/4 semesters; Private Coaching/Jon Tracy, Melissa Hillman, Clay David. SFAA Film Acting/Michael Navarra.

**Singing:** Jennifer DeRosa/2yrs Musical Theatre Technique and Repertoire; Erica Maier D'Ambrosio/5 yrs Classical Technique.

**Dance:** Musical Theatre /2.5 yrs; Ballet/1.5 yrs; Jazz/1.5 yrs; Tap/2.5 yrs; Contemporary/3 yrs; HipHop/2 yrs; West African/2 yrs.

## Special Skills and Related Experience

Stage Combat SAFD: Recommended Pass: Broadsword/Unarmed, Basic Pass: Rapier Dagger, BASSC Pass: Unarmed/ Rapier Dagger/ Broadsword Acrobatics/Basic Solo and Partner. Fencing/Intermediate. Basketball/Basic. Tennis/Basic. Swimming /all strokes. American Sign Language/Conversational, French /Basic, Hebrew/Conversational, Theory, Sightseeing, Guitar/Basic. Sings in Italian. Sings harmonies. Verbatim theatre. *Technical Crew and Assistant Director/Choreographer* (Kids n'Dance Studio). *Lead/Assistant Teacher*, (Windy City Music Theater Conservatory, Emerald CityTheatre). *Choreographer. Table Reader.*