

School: Music and Performing Arts

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UOA: 33 - Music, Drama, Dance, Performing Arts, Film and Screen Studies

Research Questions

- 1. How can mock verbatim form and the structure of the *Stationendrama* be combined to interrogate constitutional linchpins of America's national/political identity, in particular, the political consensus upholding the second amendment right to keep and bear arms? (And how does the methodology or practice affect the research themes?)
- 2. How can an unreliable chorus be deployed to emphasize the theme of individualism vs collectivism?
- 3. How can elements of naturalism, expressionism and post dramatic theatre be repurposed to create a new genre, the 'Midwestern' with aesthetic and thematic preoccupations of its own?