

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Priscilla Lindsay, M.A., Claribel Baird Halstead Collegiate Professor and professor of theater and drama in the School of Music, Theatre & Dance, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2023.

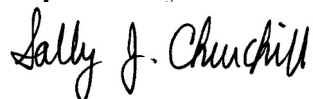
Professor Lindsay received her B.A. (1971) degree in speech and her M.A. (1972) degree in theater from the University of Michigan. She joined the University of Michigan faculty, in the Department of Theatre & Drama, as chair and tenured associate professor in 2010, and was promoted to professor in 2015. Professor Lindsay served as chair of the Department of Theatre & Drama from 2010 until the spring of 2021.

Following her formal training, Professor Lindsay performed professionally at the Alley Theatre in Houston, Texas. Subsequently, she was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Missouri-Kansas City, as well as a member of the Missouri Repertory Theatre Company. Professor Lindsay was the associate artistic director at the Indiana Repertory Theatre (IRT) for twelve years. In addition to the duties of artistic planning with this engagement, she headed up the IRT's Summer Conservatory for Youth program and was director of the Young Playwrights in Process playwriting competition.

Professor Lindsay is a gifted and experienced actor, having performed in over 30 seasons (over 60 roles) at the IRT. She is also an accomplished director, having directed over 25 plays professionally, and a number of plays at U-M (*Sense and Sensibility*; *You For Me For You*; *Henry IV, Part II*; *Tartuffe*; *You Never Can Tell*; *The Beaux' Stratagem*; and *Three Sisters*). In addition to her theatrical talents, Professor Lindsay has had a long and successful voice-over career. Her clients have included Sub-Zero, Maytag, Cool Whip, Gerber, Oscar Meyer, Sears, Hyundai, Kraft, Kellogg, McDonald's, Kroger, American Dairy Association, and Meijer Stores, among many others. In 2014, she returned to the IRT to star in Ken Ludwig's *The Game's Afoot* and followed that with a summer's run of *The Last Romance* at the Purple Rose Theatre in Chelsea, Michigan. In the fall of 2018 Professor Lindsay appeared as Linda Loman with Alec Baldwin as Willy Loman in the UMS/Theatre & Drama staged reading of *Death of a Salesman*.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Priscilla Lindsay, Claribel Baird Halstead Collegiate Professor Emerita and professor emerita of theatre and drama.**

Requested by:



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