

## Kathryn M. Koch

Kathryn M. Koch is a Fresno native who has been teaching Theatre Arts for Fresno Unified for the last 18 years. A Theatre Arts graduate from California State University, Fresno, Ms. Koch has an extensive background in acting, playwriting, dramatic literature and history, directing, improvisation, and all the aspects of technical theatre. She has studied Shakespeare with Oregon Shakespeare Company for two summers and is National Writing Project Fellow. Her stage credits include *The Miss Firecracker Contest* (Carnelle) with the Clovis Theatre Company, and being a member of the *Full Moon Improvisational Comedy Troupe*. She also stage managed for Fresno City College Summer Arts Festival. Before teaching at Roosevelt, Ms. Koch taught at Hoover High School where she founded the Patriot Theatre Company. At Hoover High, Ms. Koch directed and designed all aspects the theatre productions in their cafeteria where she and her students created a theatre from nothing but the smell of spilled milk and smashed stale French fries. Some of her favorite shows that she has worked on are *Romeo & Juliet* and *The Two Gentlemen of Verona* (Directing), *Arsenic and Old Lace* and *Little Shop Of Horrors* (Set Design), *Damn Yankees* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Light Design), and *The Taming of the Shrew* (Sound Design). For RSA she has directed *Hush: An Interview With America*, *An Appointment With Death*, and *The Curious Savage*.