

FACEBOOK TRIBUTES WYNN HANDMAN

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I gave Wynn Handman a Lifetime Achievement Award at one of The Carnegie Mellon Showcase Of New Plays seasons, back when I was Artistic Director there. Edward Albee and Elaine Stewart were among the others so honored. Wynn, now 91 years old, is featured in today's New York Times -- still going strong in NYC as one of the top acting coaches in New York Theatre history.

Wynn was also the founder of the American Place Theatre -- early Obie Award winning Off Broadway home of early plays by Sam Shepherd, Marie Irene Fornes, Richard Nelson, others -- and first plays by "Literary" writers like Joyce Carol Oates, Robert Penn Warren, Robert Lowell, Sylvia Plath. My play, "Father Uxbridge Wants to Marry," with Olympia Dukakis, also premiered there.

Amazing vital man, Wynn. Giant of the 1960's Off-Broadway movement. Read about him at <http://www.nytimes.com/.../former-students-and-wynn-place-sho....>

