

After graduating from Kings Park High School, Anthony Caporale went on to receive a degree in mechanical engineering from Duke University. But it was behind the bar that he found his true calling - as a pioneer in the art of craft cocktails, musical comedy, and organizing and managing new bars and restaurants. Anthony is a visionary. He sees opportunity everywhere around him, and clearly knows how to take advantage of it. As of today, Anthony has been instrumental in launching over a dozen major restaurants, including Flip at Bloomingdales in Manhattan, Forty Eight Lounge

in Rockefeller Center, and Bobby Flay's Mesa Grille on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Closer to home, he designed the bar and lounge of Northport's John W. Engeman Theater during its \$5 million renovation.

Anthony is recognized worldwide as the first to bring mixology to YouTube as the Producer and Host of his web video series Art of the Drink TV. This web show has millions of loyal viewers, and has been nominated for four Taste TV Awards. The New York Times Online named Art of the Drink TV a Best Instructional Podcast. Offline and in real time, his groundbreaking Off-Broadway musical comedy, *The Imbible: A Spirited History of Drinking*, is still entertaining theatergoers at the historic SoHo Playhouse in New York City. In addition to all these endeavors, Anthony sings with the acappella group Voices of Gotham, serves as the Artistic Director for Broadway Theatre Studio, and is a member of the Amateur Astronomers Association of New York. For his entrepreneurial spirit, indefatigable energy and pioneering vision, Anthony Caporale deserves his place in the Kings Park Heritage Museum's Arts and Letters Hall of Fame.