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EDUCATION

California State University Fullerton, Fullerton

Bachelor of Arts - Magna Cum Laude

Major: Theatre / Cinema and Television

Minor: American Studies

EXPERIENCE

Kaiser Permanente Educational Theatre, Oakland, California

July 2019 – Present

Performer Educator

- Kaiser Permanente Educational Theatre is a community benefit that uses the power of live performances to engage and inspire audiences to make informed and healthy choices
- Act as performer in our educational programming and peer educator for students in our post-show content
- Pilot new virtual programming and online workshops accessible to schools throughout Northern California
- Perform educational shows to over 200 schools for audiences of diverse socioeconomic backgrounds
- Develop new show and post-show educational content that aligns with California Common Core goals
- Drive company vehicles, set up/strike stage set and sound equipment, log production administrative work

Santa Clara Vanguard, Santa Clara, California

April 2019 – Present

Color Guard Technician

- Educate and train a team of 30 performers to have strong technical backgrounds in dance and flag technique.
- Work with other educators to produce high-quality productions and allow for smooth productive rehearsals
- Travel across California for team rehearsals, performances, and competitions

Santa Clara Unified School District, Santa Clara, California

August 2018 – Present

Color Guard Instructor

- Lead rehearsals for a team of 20 high school students, fostering growth in performance, dance, and color guard
- Prepare and produce choreography, show production, and costume designs
- Assist the administrative support for fundraisers, scheduling, and other logistics

The Audacity Performing Arts Project, San Jose, California

January 2019 – May 2019

Costume Manager/Teaching Artist

- Introduce children ages Pre-K to 5th grade from low-income areas fundamentals of singing, acting, and musical theatre dance while producing MTI Kids Musicals
- Design and compile costumes for multiple productions while also overseeing the costume storage unit

Starting Arts, San Jose, California

November 2018 – April 2019

Teaching Artist

- Collaborate with a team of teaching artists at multiple schools to create full-length musical theatre productions
- Teach dance choreography, stage blocking, and music vocals to groups of 30-90 children from grades 3rd to 8th

Santa Clara Parks & Recreation, Santa Clara, California

August 2011 – May

2019

Ballet Teacher Assistant

- Teach technique and recital classes to young dancers from ages ranging from 3 to 12
- Manage over 75 young dancers backstage during shows, making sure they are ready for performances

California's Great America, Santa Clara, California

November 2018 – December 2018

Winterfest Performer

- Act as a swing performer for seasonal "Winterfest Midway Merriment," performing 8 different roles
- Direct guests around the parks and providing recommendations based on their questions, concerns, and interests while performing a character role
- Create a festive and inviting experience for all guests

California State University Fullerton, Fullerton, California

March 2016 – May 2018

Assistant Costume Designer

- Sew, create, and assemble articles of costumes and wardrobes to be used in 3-4 week long runs of shows.
- Delegate responsibilities and duties among a crew of ten people
- Maintain the upkeep of costumes throughout the duration of their runs through repairs and other maintenance.

Ann Taylor, Brea, California

January 201 – May 2018

Sales Associate/Stylist

- Focus on client satisfaction through excellent sales service and fashion insight.
- Provide personalized assistance to clients, including sales transactions and credit card sign ups.
- Arrange and execute visual merchandising and signage projects

Gombe, Santa Clara, California

September 2012 - 2015

Hostess

- Greet and provide appropriate seating arrangements for all guests
- Calculate and manage all restaurant table bills.
- Receive all phone calls to make reservation arrangements and to go orders.

VOLUNTEER WORK

Miss Santa Clara Organization, Santa Clara, California

March 2020 – Present

Miss Santa Clara County

- Serve as a local titleholder under the Miss America organization through volunteering at local events
- Promote arts advocacy through my initiative “Arts for All” partnering with local arts organizations, artists, and school districts to promote accessibility and awareness of the arts

Santa Clara Vanguard, Santa Clara, California

September 2020 – Present

Social Media/Marketing Volunteer

- Create engaging content while serving on a volunteer committee
- Assist in managing multiple social media platforms with a 112k+ following
- Host virtual interviews and events

Create California, Santa Clara, California

June 2020 – Present

Arts Now Leader

- Create a local advocacy group to promote arts education in Santa Clara Unified
- Participate in Leadership Institute building skills and network of arts advocates

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Santa Clara Vanguard, Santa Clara, California

August 2020 – Present

Vanguard Emerging Leaders

- Advocate for younger generations of performers and professionals within the drum corps community
- Serve on the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity (DEI) and Community Outreach committees
- Participate in professional development opportunities

Center Theatre Group, Los Angeles, California

February 2018 – April 2018

August Wilson Program Intern

- Engaged with teaching artists involved with the August Wilson In-School Residency Program, bringing personal and artistic studies of August Wilson’s legacy to four Title 1 high schools in Los Angeles
- Managed logistics for a field trip of 100+ students to the August Wilson Monologue Competition regional finals

- Assisted in events and programs run by the Center Theatre Group Education and Community Partnerships department such as Disney Musicals in School, play readings, student matinees, and college/career fairs for high school and college students.

MysticArt Pictures, Studio City, California

August 2017 – October 2017

Casting and Development Intern

- Log auditions and interviews for potential cast members
- Research and outreach for current and developing unscripted television shows
- Create one-sheets, organized talent boards and handled official casting books
- Assist casting producers on shows "Meet the Putmans" and "Nate and Jeremiah by Design"

ACTIVITIES

Children's Musical Theatre, San Jose , California

November 2018 - February 2020

Santa Clara Vanguard Drum and Bugle Corps, Santa Clara, California

June 2013 – August 2018

CSUF BA Showcase, Fullerton, California

September 2015 – May 2018

Zeta Tau Alpha, Fullerton, California

September 2015 – May 2018

SKILLS

- Hand and Machine Sewing
- Social Media: Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Google Plus, Snapchat
- Microsoft Office: PowerPoint, Word, Excel
- Audio Editing: Garage Band, Audacity, ProTools
- Video Editing: Adobe Premiere Pro
- Photo Editing: Adobe Photoshop