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EDUCATION

ACADEMIC EDUCATION

Butler University, Jordan College of the Arts • Indianapolis, IN

2016-2020

Bachelor of Arts, Dance Pedagogy

Courses studied: Teaching Analysis of Jazz Technique; Theory and Philosophy of Dance; Classical Ballet Teaching Practicum; Human Anatomy and Physiology; Teaching Analysis of Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced Classical Ballet; Choreography; Europe and Colonial Nigeria; Developmental Theory and Application in Education; Freedom and Movement; Music for Dance; Masterworks of Dance; Historical Survey of Music.

Hudson Valley Community College • Troy, NY

2013- 2016

Associates of Science, Fine Arts

Courses studied: Survey of Art History; Text and Ideas; Psychological Inquiry; Creative Writing: Poetry; Introduction to Gallery Management; English Composition; Western Civilization.

Shenendehowa High School • Clifton Park, NY

2009-2013

ARTISTIC EDUCATION

2016-2020

Butler University, Jordan College of the Arts • Indianapolis, IN

Bachelor of Arts, Dance Pedagogy

Courses studied: Ballet Technique; Pointe Technique; Modern Technique; Jazz Technique; Classical Pas de Deux; Theater Dance Forms; Contemporary Pas de Deux; Slavic Character; Laban Movement Analysis; Dance History; Improvisation; Professional Practices; Masterworks of Dance; Body Placement; Choreography; Music for Dance; Voice Technique; Piano Technique.

Instructors: Larry Attaway, Laura Byram, Ramon Flowers, Michelle Jarvis, Stephan Laurent-Faesi, Susan McGuire, Cynthia Pratt, Derek Reid, Rosanna Ruffo, Marek Cholewa, David Ingram.

Hudson Valley Community College • Troy, NY

2013- 2016

Associates of Science, Fine Arts

Courses studied: Two-Dimensional design, Drawing I, II, Painting I,II, Photography I,II.

Northeast Ballet Company • Schenectady NY

2011-2016

Courses studied: Ballet, Pointe, Modern, Jazz, Improvisation, Choreography, Contemporary.

Instructors: Darlene Myers, Melissa Barr, Richard Gatta, Freddy Ramirez, Meaghan See, Rubén Graciani, Matt Pardo, Christine Geren, Emily Steenburgh.

SUMMER INTENSIVES

Central Pennsylvania Youth Ballet • Carlisle, PA

2014,2015,2017,2019

Instructors: Darla Hoover, Nicholas Ade, Marisa Albee, Callie Bramaz, Stacy Calvert, Alecia Good-Boresow, Alan Hineline, Ian Hussey, Ted Kivitt, Michelle Lucci, Matthew Powell, Durante Verzola, Francis Veyette.

PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

NEW YORK STATE BALLET

The Nutcracker

2020

Corps snow, Waltz of the flowers (Chor. by Katie Polaski)

Soloist, *Chinese Tea* (Chor. by Katie Polaski)

BUTLER BALLET

Thesis Dance Production

2019

Re • Awaken (Chor. by Grace Robinson)

Sleeping Beauty

2019

Court (Chor. by Cynthia Pratt and Derek Reid)

Mazurka (Chor. by Susan McGuire)

The Nutcracker

2016-2019

Russian Demi Soloist (Chor. by Ramon Flowers)

Chinese Corps (Chor. by Ramon Flowers)

Guest at the party (Chor. by Derek Reid)

Maid (Chor. by Derek Reid)

Spanish Corps (Chor. by Marek Cholewa)

Midwinter Dances

2017-2020

Corps• *Catching Shadows* (Chor. by Cynthia Pratt)

Soloist• *Prophetstown and Tecumseh's Confederation* (Chor. by Fernando Carrillo)

European Tour (performed in Poland, Slovakia, Austria and the Czech Republic)

2018

Coordinated Discord (Chor. by Kaila Carter)

Selfprotocol (Chor. by Ashley Tomaszewski)

Gallery of Memories

2018

Ensemble member (Chor. by Cynthia Pratt)

Cinderella

Aide to the Prince (Chor. by Ramon Flowers and Stephan Laurent)

Giselle

Court (Chor. by Stephan Laurent)

***The Streamlines Project*• Site specific performance funded by the National Science Foundation**

2016

Ensemble member (Chor. by Cynthia Pratt)

Senior Choreographic Showcase

2016

Would have Lowered (Chor. by Nick Nelson)

The Valley of Dry Bones (Chor. by Jessie Philbrick)

NORTHEAST BALLET COMPANY

The Nutcracker

2011-2015

The Sugar Plum Fairy (Chor. by Darlene Myers)

Snow Queen (Chor. by Darlene Myers)

Arabian Soloist (Chor. by Darlene Myers)

Spanish Soloist (Chor. by Darlene Myers)

Snow Corps (Chor. by Darlene Myers)

Before and Beyond

2016

Caligrallet (Chor. by Alex Lindsey)

The Beach (Chor. by Darlene Myers, and collaboration with Richard Lovrich)

Graci (Chor. by Rubén Graciani)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Jody B's Studio of Dance • Rochester NY

Taught teen competition intermediate ballet and advanced ballet students

Beginner and intermediate Jazz

Butler University, Indianapolis IN • Teaching Practicum

Taught students ages 6-8 in beginner ballet class with guidance from current Butler University dance professors

Taught Butler University first year (ages 18) dance majors advanced ballet classes

Construct productive classes to build ballet technique

Northeast Ballet Company • Schenectady NY

Taught beginner ballet, Ages 5-7,8-10

Intermediate Ballet, Ages 12-16

Advanced ballet, Ages 16+

Zoom Intermediate Ballet, Ages 8-12

Strength and conditioning, Ages 14+

WORK & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Central Pennsylvania Youth Ballet • Resident Advisor & Senior Resident Advisor

2017,2019

Jordan College of the Arts Student Advisory Committee

2018-2019

Choreographer • Butler Ballet's Student Choreography Showcase

2019

Sigma Rho Delta Honorary Dance Fraternity • Vice President & President

2017-2019

Movement Exchange • Secretary & Social Media Chair

2017-2019

AWARDS & HONORS

The Spirit Award	2020
The Dance Leadership Award • Butler University • Jordan College of the Arts	2019
Certificate of excellence • In recognition of scholastic achievement • Hudson Valley Community College, Fine Arts	2016
The photography center of the capital district • Artistic Award	2015
Academic Excellence in studio Art • Hudson Valley Community College	2015