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Education

Urbana, IL	University of Illinois @ Urbana-Champaign Master of Fine Arts: Theatre (Costume Design & Technology)
Marquette, MI	Northern Michigan University Bachelor of Arts: English, French, Theatre & Entertainment Arts Michigan Provisional Teaching Certificate: English/Language Arts BA 6-12 Maryland Educator License: English 7-12 California Single Subject Teaching Credential

Awards

NMU Theatre and Dance Outstanding Young Alumni	2025
Imagine Learning: Teacher of the Year Finalist	2023
Director's Choice Encore Award: Costume Design & Wardrobe	2020
NMU Secondary Student Teacher of the Year	2015
NMU Student Commencement Speaker	2014
Michigan Campus Compact Commitment to Service Award	2013
NMU Superior Edge: Citizenship, Leadership, Diversity, Real World	2010-2013
Americorps: Michigan Service Scholar Volunteer Scholarship	2012
NMU Student Leader Fellowship Program: Top Block Award	2012
Michigan Campus Compact "Heart and Soul" Award	2011, 2012
Michael D. Nunnally Volunteer Award	2011
NMU Volunteer of the Month	2011
NMU Presidential Harden Scholarship	2009-2013

Professional Experience: Theatre

Resident Costume Designer& Adjunct	Saginaw Valley State University	Aug 2023-Present
Costume Shop Coordinator	Midland Center for the Arts	June 2023-March 2024
Adjunct Lecturer and Guest Designer	Eastern Michigan University	Nov 2022-May 2023
Guest Lecturer	UIUC Fashion Concentration	Aug 2021-May 2022
Graduate TA/Theatrical Stitcher	UIUC Costume Shop	Aug 2018-May 2022
Costume Shop Manager	Festival 56: Princeton, IL	June 2018-Aug 2018
Dramatics Advisor	Freeland Community Schools: MI	Nov '17-April '18; May '22-Mar'23
Lead Costumer	Nebraska Theatre Caravan: Tour	Oct-Dec 2016; Oct-Dec 2017
Wardrobe Supervisor	Ensemble Studio Theatre: NYC	Mar-May 2016; Mar-May 2017
Wardrobe Journeyperson	Maine State Music Theatre	May-Sept 2016; May-Sept 2017
Wardrobe Supervisor	Hersheypark Entertainment and Resorts	Oct 2015-Jan 2016
Costume Apprentice & Intern	Midland Center for the Arts: MI	May-Sept 2014; May-Sept 2015
Theatrical Stitcher	NMU Forest Roberts Theatre: MI	Aug 2010-Dec 2014
Artistic Director & Stage Manager	Lake Superior Youth Theatre: MI	Mar 2010-Oct 2014

Contract Work: Theatre

Costume Designer

<i>Legally Blonde: The Musical</i>	Saginaw Valley State University	Malcolm Field	2025
<i>The Women Who Weave</i>	Saginaw Valley State University	Malcolm Field	2025
<i>The Last Time I Saw Caileigh</i>	The Tank: NYC	Theatre	2025
<i>Fun Home</i>	Flint Community Players	Theatre	2025
<i>The Wizard of Oz</i>	Midland Center for the Arts	Auditorium	2024
<i>The Miser</i>	Saginaw Valley State University	Malcolm Field	2024
<i>columbinus</i>	Saginaw Valley State University	Malcolm Field	2024
<i>Noises Off!</i>	Saginaw Valley State University	Malcolm Field	2024
<i>Burning Bluebeard</i>	Saginaw Valley State University	Malcolm Field	2023
<i>9-5</i>	Eastern Michigan University	Legacy Theatre	2023
<i>Stick Fly</i>	Eastern Michigan University	Legacy Theatre	2023
<i>Still Dreaming of a White Christmas</i>	Cornwell's Turkeyville	Dinner Theatre	2022
<i>Church Basement Ladies</i>	Cornwell's Turkeyville	Dinner Theatre	2022
<i>Curious George and the Golden Meatball</i>	Cornwell's Turkeyville	Dinner Theatre	2022
<i>The Odd Couple</i>	Cornwell's Turkeyville	Dinner Theatre	2022
<i>Sweat</i>	Illinois Theatre	UIUC	2022
<i>The Red Line Collection</i>	Illinois Theatre	UIUC	2021
<i>Jesus Christ Superstar</i>	Midland Center for the Arts	Outdoor Stage	2021
<i>Grease!</i>	Rising Stars	MCFTA	2021
<i>Right Bed, Wrong Husband</i>	Cornwell's Turkeyville	Dinner Theatre	2021
<i>Mamma Mia!</i>	Great Lakes Bay Regional Alliance	MCFTA	2020
<i>Titus Andronicus</i>	Illinois Theatre	UIUC	2020
<i>The Cherry Orchard</i>	Midland Center for the Arts	Little Theatre	2019
<i>The Hunchback of Notre Dame</i>	Festival 56, IL	Grace PAC	2018
<i>Peter and the Starcatcher</i>	Festival 56, IL	Grace PAC	2018
<i>The Addams Family</i>	Festival 56, IL	Grace PAC	2018
<i>Peter and the Starcatcher</i>	Midland Center for the Arts	Little Theatre	2018
<i>A Long Day's Journey Into Night</i>	Midland Center for the Arts	Little Theatre	2017
<i>A Comedy of Errors</i>	Midland Center for the Arts	Little Theatre	2015
<i>Once Upon a Mattress</i>	Gwinn High School	Main Stage	2015
<i>Shrek: The Musical (Dragon Dress)</i>	Midland Center for the Arts	Main Stage	2014
<i>Sherlock Holmes</i>	Midland Center for the Arts	Little Theatre	2014
<i>The Crucible</i>	Marquette Senior High School	Kaufman	2013
<i>Sorry, Wrong Number</i>	Northern Michigan University	Black Box	2013
<i>How He Lied to Her Husband</i>	Northern Michigan University	Black Box	2013
<i>Rumors(Selected Pieces)</i>	Marquette Senior High School	Kaufman	2013
<i>The Little Mermaid, Jr. (Selected Pieces)</i>	Lake Superior Youth Theatre	Kaufman	2013
<i>Behind the Dandelions</i>	Kaufman Auditorium	Independent	2012
<i>Cosi Fan Tutte & The Marriage of Figaro</i>	Northern Michigan University	Music	2012
<i>Pinocchio</i>	Northern Michigan University	Music	2011
<i>The Nutcracker- (Mother Ginger)</i>	Marquette Arts and Culture Center	Kaufman	2010
<i>Haunted Theatre</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2010
<i>Twelfth Night</i>	Lake Superior Theatre	LST	2010
<i>Little Women</i>	Lake Superior Theatre	LST	2010
<i>The Lion, The Slave, & The Rodent</i>	Northern Michigan University	Music	2010

Wardrobe

<i>White Christmas</i>	Wardrobe Crew	MCFTA	2023
<i>La Boheme</i>	Wardrobe Supervisor	Lyric Theatre: IL	2018
<i>Peter and the Starcatcher</i>	Wardrobe Supervisor	MCFTA	2018
<i>A Christmas Carol</i>	Lead Costumer	NTC: Tour	2017
<i>Newsies</i>	Wardrobe Journey person	MSMT	2017
<i>Grease</i>	Wardrobe Journey person	MSMT	2017
<i>Guys & Dolls</i>	Wardrobe Journey person	MSMT	2017
<i>Spill</i>	Wardrobe Supervisor	EST: NYC	2017
<i>A Christmas Carol</i>	Lead Costumer	NTC: Tour	2016

<i>Mamma Mia!</i>	Wardrobe Journeyperson	MSMT	2016
<i>Fiddler on the Roof</i>	Wardrobe Journeyperson	MSMT	2016
<i>Evita</i>	Wardrobe Journeyperson	MSMT	2016
<i>Ghost: The Musical</i>	Wardrobe Journeyperson	MSMT	2016
<i>Kentucky</i>	Wardrobe Supervisor	EST: NYC	2016
<i>The Littlest Tree</i>	Wardrobe Supervisor	Hersheypark: PA	2015
<i>Legally Blonde</i>	Principal Dresser	NMU: Marquette	2013
<i>A Flea in Her Ear</i>	Wardrobe Supervisor	NMU: Marquette	2010

Costume Construction

<i>Rock of Ages</i>	MCFTA Center Stage Theatre	Outdoor Stage	2024
<i>Newsies</i>	MCFTA Rising Stars	Outdoor Stage	2024
<i>Frozen, Jr.</i>	MCFTA Youth Theatre	Little Theatre	2024
<i>White Christmas</i>	MCFTA Center Stage Theatre	Little Theatre	2023
<i>The Legend of Sleepy Hollow</i>	MCFTA Center Stage Theatre	Little Theatre	2023
<i>Doubt</i>	MCFTA Center Stage Theatre	Little Theatre	2023
<i>The Prom</i>	MCFTA Center Stage Theatre	Outdoor Stage	2023
<i>Footloose</i>	MCFTA Rising Stars	Outdoor Stage	2023
<i>Beauty and the Beast</i>	STCS	Heritage High School	2022
<i>The Marriage of Figaro</i>	Lyric Theatre: Illinois	Festival Theatre	2022
<i>Neverland</i>	Illinois Theatre	Playhouse Theatre	2022
<i>Vaslaren</i>	Illinois Theatre	Studio Theatre	2022
<i>Fun Home</i>	Lyric Theatre: Illinois	Festival Theatre	2021
<i>Origin Stories</i>	Illinois Theatre	Studio Theatre	2021
<i>Native Gardens</i>	Illinois Theatre	Playhouse Theatre	2021
<i>A Little Night Music</i>	Lyric Theatre: Illinois	Festival Theatre	2020
<i>Lysistrata</i>	Illinois Theatre	Studio Theatre	2020
<i>The Adventures of Little Sharp Ears</i>	Lyric Theatre: Illinois	Festival Theatre	2019
<i>Crazy for You</i>	Lyric Theatre: Illinois	Festival Theatre	2019
<i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i>	Festival 56: IL	Grace PAC	2018
<i>A Year with Frog and Toad</i>	Festival 56: IL	Grace PAC	2018
<i>Sleeping Beauty</i>	Maine State Music Theatre	Interim	2017
<i>Sunset (Selected Pieces)</i>	Justin Cox Productions (Film)	NYC	2016
<i>The Mystery of Edwin Drood</i>	Midland Center for the Arts	Little Theatre	2016
<i>Mary Poppins</i>	Midland Center for the Arts	Main Stage	2015
<i>Chicago</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2014
<i>The Little Mermaid</i>	Midland Center for the Arts	Little Theatre	2014
<i>Shrek: The Musical</i>	Midland Center for the Arts	Main Stage	2014
<i>Legally Blonde</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2013
<i>How She Lied to Her Husband</i>	Northern Michigan University	Black Box	2013
<i>Sorry, Wrong Number</i>	Northern Michigan University	Black Box	2013
<i>Fallujah</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2013
<i>The Little Mermaid, Jr.</i>	Lake Superior Youth Theatre	Kaufman	2013
<i>Avenue Q</i>	Northern Michigan University	Black Box	2013
<i>1776</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2012
<i>The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2012
<i>The Near East</i>	Northern Michigan University	Black Box	2012
<i>A Year with Frog and Toad</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2011
<i>Compleat Female Stage Beauty</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2011
<i>Peter Pan</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2011
<i>Dirty Rotten Scoundrels</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2011
<i>Of Mice and Men</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2010
<i>A Flea in Her Ear</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2010

Directing

<i>Frozen, Jr.</i>	Freeland Area Community Schools	Auditorium	2023
<i>Shrek, Jr.</i>	Freeland Area Community Schools	Auditorium	2018
<i>The Mouse That Roared</i>	Lake Superior Theatre	Main Stage	2012
<i>Spaceships and Things...Like Them</i>	Northern Michigan University	Black Box	2011
<i>Willy Wonka, Jr.</i>	Lake Superior Theatre	Main Stage	2011

<i>Kids Sing Broadway</i>	Marquette Arts and Culture Center	Main Stage	2010
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Performing Experience

<i>The Women Who Weave</i>	Mother	SVSU	2025
<i>Sorry, Wrong Number</i>	Hospital Receptionist	NMU	2013
<i>The Nutcracker</i>	Rat	Kaufman	2012
<i>How I Became a Pirate</i>	Pirate Swill	NMU	2012
<i>The Snow Queen and the Goblin</i>	Crystal	NMU	2012
<i>The Prodigal Son</i>	Loose Virgin	NMU	2011
<i>Pinocchio</i>	Cat	NMU	2011
<i>Little Women</i>	Hag	LST	2010
<i>Scrooge: Jazzed Up Like the Dickens</i>	Angel Dancer	Kaufman	2009
<i>Actletes</i>	Gang Green Actlete	NMU	2009

Production Stage Manager

<i>Bears</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2012
<i>The Wizard's Quest</i>	Negaunee High School	Auditorium	2012
<i>Water Woman</i>	Northern Michigan University	Black Box	2012
<i>Annie, Jr.</i>	Lake Superior Youth Theatre	Kaufman	2012
<i>Compleat Female Stage Beauty</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2011
<i>A Taste of Home Sweet Home</i>	Northern Michigan University	Music	2011
<i>Alice in Wonderland</i>	Marquette Arts and Culture Center	Kaufman	2011
<i>Hooray for Hollywood</i>	Northern Michigan University	Music	2010

Producer

<i>Avenue Q</i>	Northern Michigan University	Black Box	2013
<i>Wonka, Jr. (Select Shows)</i>	Lake Superior Youth Theatre	LST	2011

Technical Director

<i>The Music Man, Jr.</i>	Lake Superior Youth Theatre	Kaufman	2014
<i>Disney's The Little Mermaid, Jr.</i>	Lake Superior Youth Theatre	Kaufman	2013

Carpenter

<i>The Mousetrap</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2010
<i>Beauty and the Beast.</i>	Marquette Arts and Culture Center	Kaufman	2010
<i>Rent</i>	Northern Michigan University	Main Stage	2010

Skills

Languages: English, French	Touring Experience	Hand Sewing	Fabric Care
Teaching/Mentoring All Ages	Adafruit Flora Technology	Machine Sewing	Basic Millinery
Familiar with Equity Standards	Cross-Stitch/Embroidery	Dyeing: Natural & Synthetic	Wig Maintenance
Grant Writing	Managerial Experience	Cricut Technology	Basic Wig Design
Reads Music	Shoe Care	Microsoft Office	Basic Makeup

Additional Professional Experience

Professional Virtual Instructor	Imagine Learning	Nov 2020-Present
Online ESL Teacher	VIPKID	Jan 2017-October 2020
ELA Teacher	Handy Middle School: MI	Jan 2016-April 2016
English & French Teaching Intern	Gwinn High & Middle School: MI	Jan 2015-May 2015
English Teaching Assistant	Teaching Assistant Program France: Lyon	Oct 2013-May 2014
Autism Professional	Direct Care-Private Residence: MI	May 2013-Sept 2013
Substitute Teacher	Professional Education Services Group: MI	Sept 2012- May 2015
Program Aide	Child & Family Services of the UP: MI	June 2010-May 2013
Crew Member	McDonald's: MI	May 2013-March 2016

Recent Workshops/ Continuing Education

Vocal Lessons	Erin Whitfield	June 2023-Present
Piano Lessons	Melanie Zimmer	April 2023-June 2024
4 Seasons of Indigenous Learning	Outdoor Learning School	October 2024-March 2025
The Antiracism Training Course	Selam Debs	April 2024-March 2025
Antiracism 101 Workshop	Selam Debs	March 2024
Art & Skill Drawing II Course	Armin Mersmann	Winter 2021
Monologue Coaching	Mary Malaney	Winter 2021
Improv with Wine-Theatre with Tommy	Tommy Walker	July 2020
Bridging the Gap: A look into African American Hair & Makeup for Theatre Masterclass	Jerrilyn Lannier-Duckworth	July 2020

Affiliations

Center Stage Youth Theatre Advisory Committee	2023-Present
StateraArts	2020-Present
USITT Student Member	2018-2020
ACLU	2020-2022