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CAREER SUMMARY

- **Accomplished dancer/choreographer, movement director, and somatic educator** with demonstrated ability to teach, motivate, and direct performers from diverse backgrounds/levels
- **Articulate communicator** with experience in creative, dramaturgical, educational, and business contexts.
- **Movement specialist** focusing on collaborative devising, stylized storytelling, character embodiment, and performer wellness.
- **M.A. in Dance/Somatic Well-Being**; BA in English Literature.
- Registered Somatic Movement Educator (ISMETA) and Yoga Alliance Certified Yoga Teacher
- Dedicated to supporting whole well-being in professional and personal contexts.
- Full writing and professional performing resumes available separately.

PRODUCTION EXPERIENCE

Purple Boots Creative

- *Principal, Speaker, Consultant, Educator*—www.purplebootscreative.com
- Offering services integrating speaking, consulting, education, and coaching to support artistic and somatic wholeness and well-being in creative, movement, inspirational, and medical contexts.
- Producing workshops in creative processes, theatrical performance skills, storytelling, and embodied spirituality.
- Featured in events by Assistance in HealthCare, Church of the Beatitudes, Cancer League of Colorado, and Station KDUS.

Selected Theater (Full choreographer on all/additional roles as noted)

Hunchback of Notre Dame	Valley Youth Theater	Choreo/Movement Director
Willy Wonka	Valley Youth Theater	
Peter & the Starcatcher	Valley Youth Theater	Choreo/Movement Director
Addams Family	Valley Youth Theater	
**Matilda	Xavier College Prep	
Peter...Starcatcher	Xavier College Prep	
Addams Family	Phoenix College	
Let Us Entertain You	Actors Fund Celebrity Fundraiser/Brave Hearts for Broadway	
Beauty and the Beast	Dream City Creative Arts	
Sound of Music	Veritas	Choreographer/Dir. Coach
*Annie	Dream City Creative Arts	
**Curtains	Notre Dame Prep	
Disney's Little Mermaid	Dream City Creative Arts	
Sound of Music	Notre Dame Prep	
Joseph...Dreamcoat	Dream City Creative Arts	
*Big Fish	Notre Dame Prep	
Disney's Mary Poppins	Dream City Creative Arts	
**Urinetown: The Musical	Notre Dame Prep	
Music Man	Theater Works	
Godspell	Scottsdale Christian Academy	Assistant Director/Choreo.
Addams Family	Scottsdale Christian Academy	Co-Director/Choreographer
Seussical	Phoenix First	
Pippin Jr.	Independently Produced Camp	Producer/Choreographer
Creative Skills Workshops	Purple Boots Creative	Producer/Choreographer
*Urinetown: The Musical	Paradise Valley Comm. College	
Into the Woods	Paradise Valley Comm. College	Choreo/Movement Dir.
Once Upon A Mattress	Scottsdale Christian Academy	
Theater Camps(Jr/Sr. HS)	Moon Valley Productions	
Midsummer's Night Dream	Scottsdale Christian Academy	Movement Director
Twelfth Night	Scottsdale Christian Academy	Movement Director
Glam (original musical)	Phoenix First	
Music Man	Paradise Valley Comm. College	
Joseph...Dreamcoat	Scottsdale Christian Academy	
Oklahoma!	Scottsdale Christian Academy	
**Once on This Island	South Mountain Comm. College	

Seussical
***Bye Bye Birdie**
Honk!
Godspell
Romeo and Juliet
Funny Thing...Forum
Snoopy! The Musical

Scottsdale Christian Academy
Scottsdale Christian Academy
Moon Valley Productions
Moon Valley Productions
Moon Valley Productions
Tempe Theater
Mesa Encore Theatre
***Award-winning**
****Award-nominated**

Director/Choreographer

Selected Specialty Productions

Project Creo for Arts InterFACE: Quito, Ecuador

- **Teaching Artist/Movement Director**
- Dir. Michael Sample in partnership with Metropolitan Opera Guild
- Assisted in creating professional development workshops in Quito, Ecuador, using arts as a natural resource
- Designed the movement portion for pilot program later established in Ghana, India, and China.
- Facilitated Theatre for Social Change based on Boal's Theatre of the Oppressed.

A Life Connected (Phoenix First)

- **Movement Director**
- Assisted in developing original show commissioned to showcase the difficulties of children in state foster care programs and to promote and educate about adoption.
- Created a movement style to embody the emotional difficulties.
- Toured with the show around the state of Arizona as performer and stage manager.

Celebration of Christmas (Dream City Creative Arts)

- **Choreographer/Scene Producer**
- Senior Choreographer in a team of 10-12 leaders.
- Large-scale production with a cast of 250-350 (all ages)
- Developed personal choreography and scenes featured on Channels 3, 10, and 12.
- Responsible for all choreography in assigned sections as well as lighting/costume/narrative design, production coordination, and mentoring.
- Assisted in creative designs of new scenes developed every year.

AWARDS

ariZoni Regional Theater Award Recipient (Best Choreography/Urinetown: The Musical/PVCC)

ariZoni Regional Theater Award Nomination (Best Choreography/Once on This Island)

BroadwayWorld Regional Award (Best Choreography/Annie)

National Youth Art Award (Best Ensemble/Big Fish)

National Youth Art Award (Best Ensemble/Urinetown: The Musical/Notre Dame)

National Youth Art Award Nomination (Best Ensemble/Curtains)

National Youth Art Award Nominations (Best Choreography, Best Production/Big Fish)

National Youth Art Award Nomination (Best Choreography/Urinetown: The Musical/Notre Dame)

USA Magazine Showstopper (Best of Arizona/Bye Bye Birdie)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Purple Boots Creative

- Creative processes
- Theatrical performance skills
- Storytelling
- Embodied well-being/spirituality

Freelance Yoga/Pilates/Wellness Instructor

- Beginning, Intermediate, Advanced Pilates (Mat and Equipment)
- Beginning, Intermediate, Restorative, Somatic Yoga
- Barre, Ball, Band, Foam Roller Classes
- Creativity, Wellness, and Somatics Classes
- Movement/Self-Care for Musicians

Project Creo (Quito, Ecuador)

- Theater of the Oppressed (Boal)
- Theater in Education
- Basic Movement/Dance Intro

Dream City Creative Arts

- Beginning/Intermediate Theater Dance (Ballet and Jazz-based)
- Beginning/Intermediate Modern
- Creative Collaboration and Choreography Skills
- Stretch and Conditioning (all levels)

Phoenix College, Adjunct Faculty

- Mat Pilates (All Levels)
- Yoga (All Levels)

Pinnacle Peak Pilates

- Equipment (Reformer, Cadillac, Chair, Barrel) and Mat Pilates
- Private, Duet, Trio, and Small Group Pilates Classes

Scottsdale Community College, Adjunct Faculty

- Mat Pilates (All Levels)

Moon Valley Productions

- Theater Dance

EDUCATION

University of Central Lancashire (Preston, UK/New York City)

- **MA** in Dance and Somatic Well-Being, Graduated with Highest Distinction

University of Arizona (Tucson, AZ)

- Graduate studies towards MA in English Literature, GPA 4.0 (11 units)
- **BA** in English Literature (minor in Business Administration), graduated *summa cum laude*

Oxford University-St. John's College (Oxford, UK)

- British Renaissance studies including comprehensive coverage of British/Continental Renaissance culture

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Moving Body Festival (New York City)

“Releasing Restrictions, Befriending Body—Moving within an ‘And/Also’ Framework”

Moving Body Festival (New York City)

“Freedom and Form—Exploring Processes of De-forming, Un-forming, and Re-forming Experience”

Dream Conference (Phoenix, AZ)

“Choreographic Explorations in Story-Telling—Love is Christmas”

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

ISMETA (International Somatic Movement Education and Therapy Association)—Registered Somatic Movement Educator (RSME). 2016 - Present.

Yoga Alliance—Registered Yoga Teacher/Continuing Education Provider (E-RYT-200/YACEP). 2010 - Present.

Arts InterFACE—Advisory Board Member for 501(c)(3) non-profit with international arts projects including arts education, social awareness, outreach, and professional development for educators, and recognized in UN-endorsed publication “Music as a Global Resource”. 2008-2020.