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DIRECTOR

***Denotes new work**

Rough and Tumble: Pickled Peaches and Herring*	Director/Writer	2022	Icebox/Canonball Festival in Philadelphia Fringe Festival
Sometimes the Rain, Sometimes the Sea	Director	2022	ArtsBank, University of the Arts
Legal Tender*	Co-Director	2019-2020	Antigravity/AntFest/FringeArts
All 100 Fires*	Director	2018-2019	Donna Oblongata
Fourth Quarter*	Director/Writer	2018	First Person Arts Festival
Dear Diary LOL*	Lead Artist/Co-Director/Writer	2017-2018	Antigravity/FringeArts/New Ohio
Rough & Tumble SoLow	Director	2017	SoLow Festival
Jack, Jill, & the Beanstalk*	Director/Lead Writer/Performer	2013	Providence Children's Museum
RI Stories*	Director/Lead Writer/Performer	2013	Providence Children's Museum
Behind Closed Doors*	Co-Director/Deviser	2012	Trinity Rep/SOAR
Metamorphoses	Co-Director	2012	Trinity Rep/North Cumberland MS
Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse	Assistant Director/Choreographer	2012	Trinity Rep's Young Actor's Institute
Merchant of Venice	Assistant Director	2012	Trinity Rep/Classical HS

PERFORMER/CREATOR

Wallowing	Creator/Performer	2022	Yesterday's Garbage/Canonball Fest
Art House #7	Collaborator & Animator	2021	Theatre Horizon
Girl Poop	Creator/Performer	2019-2021	Franky Bradley's/Various Venues
Dear Diary LOL*	Construction Worker 1	2017-2018	Antigravity
The Sprite*	Solo Performer	2017-2022	Various Venues
'NEWS!', a Media Burlesque*	News Anchor	2017	Agitated
Medieval Madness*	Squire	2017	Jenna Strusowski/Various Venues
The Hopefuls*	Creator/Performer	2016	1fiftyone gallery/Various Venues
Slaughter/ette*	Creator/Performer	2015	Butter & Serve/FringeArts Festival
Nellie/Nellie*	Creator/Performer/Dramaturg	2014	AntiGravity/FringeArts Festival
Jack, Jill, & the Beanstalk*	Jill	2013	Providence Children's Museum
RI Stories*	Roger Williams/Various	2013	Providence Children's Museum
Little Spoon*	Creator/Performer	2012	Blood From A Turnip/95 Empire
Titus Andronicus	Lucius/Lavinia	2011	Four Frogs Productions

EDUCATION & PROGRAM DELIVERY

Barnes Foundation & Puentes de Salud	Puentes a las Artes Lead Teaching Artist (<i>PreK Literacy and Arts Education</i>)	2018-present	Philadelphia, PA
Your Empowered Sexuality	Facilitator: “Advocating for Your Desires”	2022	
University of the Arts	Adjunct Assistant Professor, <i>Approaches to Movement</i>	Fall 2021	Philadelphia, PA
Temple University	Assistant Adjunct Professor, <i>Methods of Teaching Artistry</i>	2019-2022	Philadelphia, PA
Early Learner Summer Pods	Devvisor & Facilitator of Interactive Storytelling Performances	Summer 2021	Philadelphia, PA
Picasso Project	Teaching Artist (<i>Comics Curriculum, 5th Grade, Kelly School</i>)	Spring 2021	Philadelphia, PA
Children’s Community School	Summer Camp Co-Director (<i>Ages 2-8</i>)	2019	Philadelphia, PA
Arden Theatre Company	Teaching Artist (<i>Arden For All, Grades 3-5</i>)	2018-2019	Philadelphia, PA
PlayArts	Storybook Playdate (<i>Infant/Toddler dramatic story times with thematic free play provocations</i>)	2018-present	Philadelphia, PA
BuildaBridge International	Lead Teaching Artist (<i>Drama, Movement, Visual Therapeutic Arts</i>)	2014-2018	Philadelphia, PA
Children’s Community School	Early Childhood Educator (<i>Emergent, Play-Based Curriculum, Ages 2-4</i>)	2017-2018	Philadelphia, PA
Girls Leadership	Educator (<i>Relationship Skills for Girls & their Caregivers</i>)	2017-present	Haddonfield, NJ
Taller Puertorriqueño	Teaching Artist (<i>Extended Care</i>)	2017	Philadelphia, PA
Al-Aqsa Academy	Teaching Artist (<i>Collaborative Playwriting</i>)	2016	Philadelphia, PA
Brown U/RISD CoLAB	Teaching Assistant & Devising Methodologies Instructor	2016	Providence, RI
UArts Brind School of Theatre	Student Teacher (<i>Ensemble Devising</i>)	2016	Philadelphia, PA
Antigravity Performance Project	Co-Director/Education Outreach Coordinator & Facilitator	2012	Providence, RI
Providence Children’s Museum	MuseumCorps Educator (<i>Play-Based STEM</i>)	2012-2013	Providence, RI
Trinity Repertory Company	Education Intern/Teaching Artist (<i>Theatre</i>)	2011-2012	Providence, RI
Savvy Theatre Works	Co-Founder/Teaching Artist (<i>Process-Based Theatre</i>)	2006-2012	Bocas, Mexico
No Small Parts/Brown U	Teaching Artist (<i>Theatre</i>)	2009-2010	Providence, RI

EXHIBITIONS, FEATURES, & PUBLICATIONS

- *Halftone Podcast Series: Episode 1* - Audio piece produced by the Fabric Workshop and Museum, 2021
- *How Now, Helena* - illustrations for short fiction by Lauren Carter Reilly, 2022, ink and digital.
- *Selfie Portraits* - illustration series published in Sought Magazine, 2021, ink and digital.
- Animations for *Big Egg Series* finale - web series created by Friday Anderson and Julia Rach, 2022
- *Self Portrait* - ink drawing featured in the exhibition *101 Artists* curated by Fred Danzinger, shown at Gallery 222 (2021), Main Line Art Center (2021), & Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art (2021)

GRANTS, RESIDENCIES, & AWARDS

- **Bethany Arts Community Residency** - 2022
- **Bartol Foundation Mini Grant** - 2021
- **Illuminate the Arts Grant** - 2021 + 2022
- **NET/TEN Exchange Grant** (for *Text Me LOL*) - 2021
- **Camp Fringe Residency** (for *Legal Tender*) - 2019
- **Bethany Arts Community Residency** (for *Legal Tender*) - 2019
- **Bethany Arts Community Residency** (for *Dear Diary LOL*) - 2018
- **Knight Foundation Grant Recipient** - (for *Fourth Quarter*) - 2018
- **NYTW/Adelphi University Residency** (for *Dear Diary LOL*) - 2018
- **ForgeFuel Residency** (for *Dear Diary LOL*) - 2018
- **Foundation for Contemporary Arts Emergency Grant Recipient** - 2018
- **'Small But Mighty' Arts Grant Recipient** (for *Dear Diary LOL*) – 2017
- **Barn Arts Collective Residency** (for *Fourth Quarter*) - 2017
- **Camp Fringe Residency** (for *Fourth Quarter*) - 2017
- **'Joy of Voting' Grant Recipient** (funded by Citizen University/Knight Foundation for *The Hopefuls*) – 2016
- **Justice Award** (from RI State Department for *Behind Closed Doors*) – 2013
- **Victims' Rights Award** (from RI Att. General for *Behind Closed Doors*) – 2013
- **Presenter** at Performing the World conference with Savvy Theatre Works - 2010

ARTS & NONPROFIT SERVICE EXPERIENCE

- **Peer Grant Panelist**, Philadelphia Arts & Culture Fund - Philadelphia, 2019
- **Committee Member**, Pig Iron Theatre Company Benefit - Philadelphia, 2019
- **Grant Application Reviewer**, 'Small But Mighty Arts' - Philadelphia, 2018
- **Committee Member**, FringeArts FringeA-Thon Fundraiser - Philadelphia, 2018
- **Performer**, Mantua Theater Project - Philadelphia, 2018
- **Performer**, Manton Avenue Project - Providence, 2014

EDUCATION

- **Master of Fine Arts in Theatre Arts, Devised Performance**
University of the Arts/Pig Iron Theatre Company, 2013-2016 / Philadelphia, PA
- **Bachelor of Arts in Theatre Arts and Performance Studies**
Brown University, 2006-2010 / Providence, RI
- **Trauma Informed Practice Certification** (*20 hours of Training in Trauma-Informed Teaching Artist Practice*)
Bartol Foundation, 2019 / Philadelphia, PA
- **Sexuality Education Cornerstone Seminar** (*18 hour training course for sexuality educators*)
Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts, 2021
- **Facilitator Training Program**
Your Empowered Sexuality, 2022 / Philadelphia, PA