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Dancer; Choreographer; Teacher

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SUMMARY

Passionate Professional Dancer and Choreographer dedicated to fostering positivity, collaboration, and transparency in all endeavors. Six years of experience as a principal dancer in creation-based concert repertory companies. Nine years of teaching experience and six years of freelance choreography.

EDUCATION

The University of Arizona; B.F.A., Dance | Graduated Magna Cum Laude (2015-2018)

Gutrude Shurr Award, Wildcat Excellence Award

- Ballet; Modern; Jazz; Improv; Composition; Teaching Methods; Biomechanics; Dance History

Minor in Finance

- Economics; Accounting; Personal Investing; Small Business Finance; Real Estate Finance

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Springboard Dans Montréal (2022); Principle Co: RUBBERBANDANCE Group; Emerging: UNA Productions

DART Summer Intensive (2022)

Rubberbandance Group Winter Intensive (2021)

Nederlands Dans Theatre Summer Intensive (2018); Choreographer: JJ Wang

Hubbard Street Dance Chicago Summer Intensive (2017)

Chuthis. Movement Intensive (2014, 2015, 2016)

New Dialect Summer Intensive (2017)

Ate9 Summer Intensive (2016)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

NW Dance Project - Portland, OR

Artistic Director: Sarah Slipper

Company Dancer

January 2023 - Present

Performed repertoire:

XIII

Celebration

7300 Days

Glimmers

Fistful (in process)

Activating Infinity

Murmurations

Rite of Spring

Petrushka

The Commodities

Common Ground

Ihsan Rustem

Sarah Slipper & Ihsan Rustem

Gustavo Ramirez Sansano

Nicole Von Arx

Joseph Hernandez

Bryan Arias

Serge Bennathan

Ihsan Rustem

Joseph Hernandez

Caroline Finn

Yin Yue

GroundWorks DanceTheater - Cleveland, OH

Artistic Director: David Shimotakahara

Company Dancer

August 2018 - May 2022

Performed repertoire:

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Peter Chu

Mixtape 2.2

Antonio Brown

U/04

James Gregg

Unwritten

Brian Brooks

Axis

Adam Barruch

Pony

Hanna Garner

We Three

Robyn Mineko-Williams

Eveill 

James Gregg

The Witness

Dianne McIntyre

Luna

David Shimotakahara

Rehearsal Assistant

August 2021 - May 2022

- Pioneered the creation of the Rehearsal Director role within the company, establishing a benchmark for organizational excellence.

- Orchestrated the company's rehearsal schedule with precision, liaising effectively between dancers and the administration team during concurrent events.

Teaching Artist

August 2018 - May 2022

Lead Teaching Artist: Warner Girl's Leadership Academy

- integrated positive behaviors and group expectations through creative play and movement-based lessons

Program Assistant: Campus International School; Wilson Elementary

- Facilitated the learning experience for students with disabilities, employing specialized teaching methodologies to enhance emotional awareness.

- Implemented Brain Dance warm-up routines to foster heightened body awareness among students, resulting in measurable increases in their overall engagement and participation.

Dana Metz Co. - Phoenix, AZ

Artistic Director: Dana Metz

Company Dancer

August 2022 - December 2022

Chuthis. - Las Vegas, NV

Artistic Director: Peter Ch

Guest Dancer

June 2017

PROFESSIONAL CHOREOGRAPHY

A Holiday Hallmark Special (2023)

NW Dance Project

Lullaby for 21 (2023)

NWDP Summer Dance Platform

Don't Carry This Alone (2023)

Carmel Dance Festival Choreography Fellow

Two Hundred and Fifty Reasons To (2023)

Loyola Marymount College Senior Solo Showcase

As I Am (2022)

GroundWorks DanceTheater

Folk-ish (2020)

GroundWorks DanceTheater

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

NW Dance Project Studios - Portland, OR Contemporary; improv; floorwork	February 2023 - July 2024
Cleveland State University - Cleveland, OH Ballet; floorwork	August 2021- May 2022
GWDT Winter Intensive Repertoire	January 2019 - January 2021
Dance Connection, Scottsdale - Scottsdale, AZ Master classes; Choreography; Guest Teacher	August 2015 - present
Center Stage Dance Studio - Northfield, OH Contemporary; Improv; Modern; Choreography	January 2020 - May 2022
Absolute Dance Company - Avon Lake, OH Contemporary; Improv; Conditioning	April 2020 - May 2022
Revolutions Dance Academy - Avon Lake, OH Contemporary; Ballet, Technique; Choreography	July 2019 - May 2022

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Dance-Technique: Contemporary; Partnering; Improvisation; Floorwork; Ballet; Modern
Skills: Strong Work-ethic; Disciplined; Organized; Detailed-oriented; Artistry; Problem-solving
Interests: Yoga; Pilates; Cooking; Bullet Journaling; Event Planning
Language: English; French (read/write)
Technology: Adobe Illustrator (basic); Garage Band; website design; video editing
Certifications: Trauma-Informed Care