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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Hardworking and high achieving artist, seeking a position that fulfills her passions. A double major in Drama and English with specialties in acting, dance, poetry, and teaching, striving to apply these many different interests to every job she may take on. Enjoys jobs that involve interacting with people, creating new and exciting work, and helping others.

WORK EXPERIENCE

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| Arden Theatre Company | <i>Professional Apprentice/ Teaching Artist</i> | 9/2018 to Present |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arden Drama School teacher for Musical Theatre Dance, Acting, and more for students Grades K-12• On-site teaching artist at several different local Philadelphia schools for students Grades 3-5• Arts administration experience in Development, Marketing, General Operations, and more | | |
| EXPLO at Yale | <i>Instructor/ RA</i> | 6/2016 to 8/2018 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Planned course curriculum and taught classes/workshops to students ages 14-17• Instructed classes on hip-hop, modern dance, writing, and pop culture• Created and led activities for an advisee group of 12-16 students | | |
| Academy of Music and Arts | <i>Dance Instructor</i> | 10/2017 to 6/2018 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lead hip-hop instructor and choreographer• Experience with teaching hip-hop and jazz for students ages 6 years old to adult• Private lesson/solo instruction and collaboration with students | | |
| Shakespeare All-Stars | <i>Teaching Artist/ Ensemble Member</i> | 9/2017 to 6/2018 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Touring performance group for Chicago area schools• Discussed Shakespeare's text and meanings with students• Assisted with in-class residencies at various schools | | |
| Imagination Theater | <i>Teaching Artist/ Core Ensemble</i> | 02/2018 to 6/2018 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Core ensemble member for the touring ensemble• Performer and improviser in different shows focusing on bullying, empathy, and sexual abuse prevention• Experience working directly with students to develop solutions to different issues they may be facing either in school or at home | | |
| Park District of Oak Park | <i>Dance Instructor</i> | 9/2017 to 5/2018 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lead and assistant dance instructor and choreographer• Experience with teaching students various styles (ballet, jazz, creative movement, and tap) for students ages 3 years old to teen• Dance curriculum development | | |

EDUCATION

Vassar College **Poughkeepsie, NY** Graduated: 5/28/2017
Bachelor of Arts in Drama and English | Cumulative GPA: 3.5

Noted Coursework:

"Movement for Actors" w/ Kathy Wildberger | "Advanced Jazz Dance" w/ Abby Saxon | "Intermediate Modern Dance" w/ Steve Rooks

Honors and Awards

- Molly Thacher Kazan Memorial Prize from Vassar Drama Department (2017)
- Vassar College Historical African Violet Society (2014-2015)
- Mary Ellen and Bruce Eben Pindyck Academic Scholarship Recipient (2013)
- QuestBridge Scholar Finalist (2013)

LEADERSHIP & CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

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| Vassar College | <i>Woodshed Theater Ensemble</i> | 2/2014 to 5/2017 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leader and collaborator with a small, self-produced, student theater ensemble • Extensive experience with devising/writing scripts, directing, light designing, set construction, and costuming • Responsible for coordinating performance locations, publicity, and fundraising events for the ensemble | | |
| Vassar College | <i>HYPE Hip Hop Dance Troupe</i> | 8/2013 to 5/2017 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Board President, Choreography Captain, and Performance Team Member • Schedule and facilitate group dance workshops for the campus and performances • Instructed students with various levels of experience from beginners to advanced dancers • Plan dance related outreach activities for the campus and local community • Perform at several campus events and a Final Showcase at the end of the year | | |
| Vassar College | <i>Varsity Rugby Captain</i> | 8/2016 to 5/2017 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinate and lead practices • Set up fundraising opportunities and community service events • Required to participate in several leadership and bystander intervention trainings in order to promote a safe and supportive campus | | |