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EDUCATION

B.A. THEATER AND DANCE GPA 3.8

University of Maryland College Park

2018-2022

SKILLS

- Intricate Braiding & Updos
- Styling & Ventilating wigs
- Wardrobe
- Sewing (hand & machine)
- Jewelry Making
- Power tools
- Creative Thinking
- Problem Solving

AWARDS

- UMD President's Scholarship
- Delegate Anne Healey Scholarship
- Delegate Alonzo Washington Scholarship
- Senator Paul Pinsky Scholarship
- UMD ARHU Arundel Mills Scholarship
- UMD ARHU Stringer Scholarship

HAIRSTYLING

HAIRBRAIDER

Rapunzel's Hairbraiding - MD Renaissance Festival

2014-Present

- Style hair in complex braided hairstyles
 - Dutch, French, Lace, Five and Seven strand braids
- Recommend hairstyles according to hair length, type, and customer's preferences to satisfy their request
- Mentor and train new apprentices, providing constructive feedback
- Clean and organize booth, restock materials, and assist other hairstylists as needed

WIGS AND MAKEUP APPRENTICE

Wolf Trap Opera

Summer 2022

- Style performer's makeup, facial hair and wigs before performances, according to their character
- Assist during hair and makeup quick changes
- Repair lace front wigs and make alterations as needed

WARDROBE / HAIR

Hair, Dir. Matthew Gardiner, Signature Theatre- Dresser

At The Wedding, Dir. Tom Story, Studio Theater- Dresser, Hairstylist and Deck Crew

The Fiddler on the Roof, Dir. Peter Flynn, Olney Theatre Center- Dresser and Hairstylist

Albert Herring, Dir. Stephanie Sadownik, University of Maryland CP- Hair and Makeup Consultant

The Prom, Dir. Nathaniel P. Claridad, University of Maryland CP- Supervisor

FMFA Dance Thesis, Chor. Javier Padilla, University of Maryland CP- Supervisor

FMFA Dance Thesis, Chor. Gerson Lanza, University of Maryland CP- Supervisor

Little Women, Dir. Scot Reese & Alvin Mayes, University of Maryland CP- Dresser and Hairstylist

PRODUCTION

SCENE SHOP AND PROP SHOP EMPLOYEE

Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center

Summer 2021, Winter 2022

- Construct scenery and props for shows
- Work with various power tools
 - chop saw, table saw, band saw, welder, staple gun, etc

PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT TRAINEE

Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center

Summer 2021

- Prepare and reset the space for rehearsals and performances
- Assist with entrances, exits and transitions during orchestra performances

TECHNICAL THEATRE INTERN

Dance Place DC

Summer 2019

- Assist with light hang and focus call
- Maintain order backstage during and in between performances
- Assist with set up and restoration of the theater space before and after performances/rehearsals