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CHOREOGRAPHER / DANCE EDUCATOR PROFILE

- More than 25 years of experience professionally choreographing and teaching dance with a thorough knowledge of numerous dance genres. Genres include: musical theatre, ballet, tap, jazz, modern, improvisation, ballroom, Latin, swing, hustle, contemporary, and lyrical.
- Excellent ability to lead rehearsals in an efficient and productive manner.
- Strong commitment to maintaining the integrity of the director's vision.
- ▶ Ability to read music scores and communicate effectively with musicians.

CHOREOGRAPHY / DIRECTING EXPERIENCE partial list

Production Title	Job Description	<u>Producer</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Director</u>
SINGIN' IN THE RAIN	Choreographer	Lakewood Theatre Company	Portland, OR	Ron Daum
SINGING CHRISTMAS TREE	Youth Choreographer	Portland's Singing Christmas Tree	Portland, OR	Greg Tamblyn
CHESS	Choreographer	Lakewood Theatre Company	Portland, OR	John Oules
NINE	Choreographer	Lakewood Theatre Company	Portland, OR	Ron Daum
URINETOWN	Choreographer	Clackamas Community College	Portland, OR	James Eikrem
CABARET	Choreographer	Lakewood Theatre Company	Portland, OR	Ron Daum
PINOCCHIO	Choreographer	Broadway Rose	Portland, OR	Joe Theissen
HIGH SOCIETY	Choreographer	The Theatre Group	Santa Barbara,	Michael Gros
THE MUSIC MAN	Choreographer	The Theatre Group	Santa Barbara,	Michael Gros
MAME	Choreographer	Lakewood Theatre Company	Portland, OR	John Oules
SHE LOVES ME	Choreographer	Lakewood Theatre Company	Portland, OR	Tobias Anderson
SHALL WE DANCE	Director	Angel Hair Foundation	Eugene, OR	Laura Hiszczynskyj
KISS ME, KATE	Choreographer	Oregon Fest. of Am. Music	Eugene, OR	Ron Daum
HELLO, DOLLY!	Choreographer	Lane Summer Musicals	Eugene, OR	Jack Watson
IN THE HEIGHTS	Choreographer	South Eugene Theatre	Eugene, OR	Pat Avery
WEST SIDE STORY	Choreographer	South Eugene Theatre	Eugene, OR	Pat Avery

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Bridgetown Conservatory of Musical Theatre, 2017-Present

Lead instructor of dance for this conservatory. Caters to students who aspire to enter into a college musical theatre program and professional careers in musical theatre.

Santa Barbara City College, Adjunct Faculty, Summer 2015, 2017

• Responsible for choreography and leading rehearsals for *The Music Man* and *High Society*.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE continued

The John G. Shedd Institute for the Performing Arts, Faculty, 2009-2014

▶ Responsible for teaching private lessons and group classes of multiple dance styles from beginners to professionals. One former long-term private lesson student is now a regular dancer on the TV show, *Glee*. Many former students are currently performing in NYC and LA.

Lane Community College, Part Time Credit Instructor, 2010-2013

▶ Taught the following courses:

Musical Theatre Dance Rehearsal / Performance

University of Oregon, Graduate Teaching Fellow, 2004-2007

Responsibilities included Curriculum Development, Video Archiving, Administration, and teaching the following courses:

Ballroom Dance (Levels 1 & 2)

Swing Dance (Levels 1 & 2)

Tap

Modern Dance (Levels 1 & 2)

Ballet (Levels 2 & 3)

Dance Improvisation

Stepping Out Studios Ballroom Dance Studio, New York, Staff, 1999-2002

Completed a rigorous training program and was selected out of many candidates to be hired to teach private lessons and group classes in ballroom, Latin, swing, and hustle.

AWARDS, NOMINATIONS & HONORS

• Oregon Theatrical Award Society Nominations for the following (*indicates winning nomination):

Best Choreographer 2019 for Singin' in the Rain*

Best Choreographer 2014 for Show Boat*

Best Choreographer 2015 for She Loves Me

Best Choreographer 2015 for Mame*

Best Actress in a play 2015 for Three Men On A Horse

Drammy Award Nomination

Best Choreography 2017 for Nine

▶ Inaugural Recipient of the Georgianne T. Singer Fellowship in Dance.

TRAINING & EDUCATION (DANCE, VOICE, ACTING)

DanceAbility International (Alito Alessi, mentor)
University of Oregon (M.F.A. in dance)
Tom Logan, commercial/film acting
Robert Ashens, voice coaching

Texas Christian University (B.F.A. cum laude in ballet) Angela Niederloh, Siri Vik, private voice instruction

Broadway Dance Center, NYC Sande Shurin Acting Studio, group classes

OTHER SKILLS

Competitive Ballroom, Latin, & Swing Dancer / Skills: Modeling, Singing, Acting, Partnering, Basic Piano, Water-Skiing, Yoga, Leadership, Cycling.