

CV

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Teaching Experience

2020-2022

AJ Productions Stage School

Middleham, Leyburn. (Cover at Northallerton school)

Taught a mixed group of ages 4-12 years olds. Working towards a pantomime such as Wizard of Oz & Jack and the Beanstalk

- Working backstage
 - Teamwork. Working with fellow teachers to put on a successful show.
 - Helping with quick changes, line prompting, using a smoke machine and opening & closing curtains etc.
- Administration
 - Being in charge of my branches' administration e.g. organising uniform, fees, information etc.

2020-2022

Razzamataz

York

Teaching groups of minis, juniors & seniors singing, drama & dance.

- Choreography

Creating choreography for mixed ability groups and a range of ages. Dance was in MT/Jazz & commercial/ pop style e.g. whacking & shuffling.
- Online Teaching

Adapting to teaching over Zoom. Filming a Christmas Nativity with script, song & dance.
- Co-teaching

Due to the pandemic we had bubbles and separate groups then merged them together and therefore had to coordinate our teaching and bounce off each other.

2020-2021

Ripon Dance Academy & Ripon Theatre Arts

Ripon

Teaching Musical Theatre in workshop form e.g. "& Juliet" workshop and in longer-term working towards a short performance of "Oh The Things You Can Think!" from "Suessical: the musical"

- Choreography

Creating my own MT choreography for highly talented young dancers (6-14) who regularly attend festivals.
- Lesson planning/ workshop creation

Workshops included: Waitress, Mary Poppins, & Juliet, Suessical, Hairspray.

2016– 2017

Chiswick Theatre Arts

Chiswick, London

Receptionist/ Teacher/ Assistant Director

- Receptionist
 - Being friendly and polite with customers of all ages including children
 - Making sure the building was always clean and tidy.
- Teacher/ Assistant Director
 - Educating children aged 3 to 16 years old acting, singing and dancing, particularly tap and ballet.
 - Working towards a production of “Singing in the Rain” at The Questors Theatre, Ealing.

Other Schools

I have taught workshops or cover lessons at the following schools:

2022– Chorleywood Stagecoach, London.

Early Stages and Stages 1, 2 & 4 singing & acting.

2022–EIFA International School, London.

Ballet & Contemporary Dance.

2021– Xpressions Dance, Northallerton.

Mary Poppins workshop.

2019– Debden Stagecoach, London.

Stage 1, 2 & 3. Acting & Singing.

Other Relevant Job Experience

NOV 2019–DEC 2021

The Polar Express (Warner Bros. Ltd & PNP Ltd events)

Actor

- Professional Performance Experience
Playing a chef/elf in an immersive production of “The Polar Express” on board a stream train at Wensleydale Railway.
- Communication skills
Communicating and engaging customers in a friendly and entertaining manner.

JUNE 2017 – OCT 2021

York Food & Drink Festival

Festival Organiser/ Assistant Creative Director

10 day festival for approx. 500,000 people with 40 stands, demonstrations, events & hands-on cookery workshops.

- Assistant Creative Director
 - Helping create and plan a 10 day event. This included workshops for 1000 primary school children about food & sustainability.

- Negotiating with customers including stall holders, the council & the media
- Health & safety, admin, rotas & database work
- Creative problem solving
- 10 Day On-Site Manager
 - Setting up and packing heavy equipment in difficult conditions (outdoor event)
 - Dealing with problems efficiently in a high stress environment such as staffing and equipment breakdown.
 - Doing any and every job from teaching kids how to make pasta to emptying bins

Qualifications

2017

CTA Performing Arts London

- Trinity Diploma in Musical Theatre

2016

Leeds College of Art

- Foundation Diploma in Art & Design

2008-2015

The Mount School, York

- 10 GCSE's A*-B (including Science, English & Maths)
- A-levels A*AAB (Art, Geography, General Studies & Biology)

Additional Skills

- DBS certified (2021)
- Health & Safety Officer. HABC Level 2
- Efficient in Word, Excel, Powerpoint, Photoshop
- Level 2 Food Hygiene & Safety

References available on request