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EDUCATION:

THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, URBANA, IL

Master of Fine Arts in scenic design	May 2023
AUGUSTANA COLLEGE, ROCK ISLAND, IL	
Bachelor of Arts with a double major in Theatre Arts and English, Suma Cum Laude, 4.0 GPA Minor: Studio Art	November 2017
HONORS AND CERTIFICATES	
Honors: Michael Merritt Award Winner, Best Student Designer	May 2022
PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS	
USITT, Member	November 2022
Statera Conference, Presenter	
Mentoring Female Students in the Theatre	October 2016
WORK EXPERIENCE	
Visiting Assistant Professor, Indiana University	August 2023 – Present
275 N Jordan Ave, Bloomington, IN	
• Taught Fundamentals of Scenic Design to a combination of graduate scenic designers and t	echnical directors
Designed the curriculum for and taught Advanced Scenic Model Making	
• Mentor and advisor to five scenic design students	
Supervisor for two graduate independent studies	1 (2022 D
Artist in Residence at Rantoul Township High School	August 2022 – Present
200 S. Sheldon St, Rantoul, IL	~
 Responsible for the design and execution of murals across the interior of the school buildin Coordinator of mural club 	99
 Responsible for the supervision and training of up to a dozen students 	
Paper Props Artisan at Albany Park Theatre Project	April 2023 – Present
3320 W Foster Ave, PMB 120, Chicago, IL	April 2023 – Fresent
 Responsible for the design, creation, and maintenance of all paper props 	
 Skills used include photo editing, creation of documents and advertisements, and curation of 	of wall decorations
Assistant Scenic Designer for West Side Story	February 2023
Centro De Bellas Artes Luis A. Ferré, San Juan, PR	
• Responsible for repainting incorrectly executed paint finishes in tech	
• Took notes, made schedules, and organized priority lists for the tech process	
Assistant Scenic Designer at the Illinois Shakespeare Festival	Summer Season 2022
48 Sunset Rd, Bloomington, IL	
Made scenic models for my designer	
 Attended rehearsals and meetings in his stead when he was out of state 	
 Took notes and met with shop heads during the tech process 	
Technical Director and Scenic Charge Artist at Mississippi Bend Players	June 2019 – July 2019
639 38th St, Rock Island, IL	
Technical director for <i>Biloxi Blues</i>	
Technical director for A Green River	
Interim Technical Director at Augustana College	March 2019 – May 2019
639 38th St, Rock Island, IL	
• Technical director for <i>How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying</i>	where 2018 Each mass 2010
Costume Shop Assistant at Circa '21Decen1828 3rd Ave, Rock Island, ILDecen	nber 2018 – February 2019
 Distressed and maintained costume pieces for <i>Newsies</i> 	
 Assisted with general shop maintenance, cleaning, and organization 	
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Scenic Designer and Technical Director at United Township High School	August 2018 – May 2019

• Scenic designer and technical director for <i>Get Smart</i>	
Scenic designer and technical director for <i>Almost, Maine</i>	
Scenic designer and technical director for <i>Legally Blonde</i>	
Technical Director at Quad City Music Guild	June 2018 – November 2018
1584 34th Ave, Moline, IL 61265	
Technical director for Mame	
• Technical director for <i>A Chorus Line</i>	
Technical director for Shrek! The Musical	
Technical director for <i>Miracle in Bedford Falls</i>	
Scenic Designer at Quad City Music Guild	August 2018 – November 2018
1584 34th Ave, Moline, IL 61265	
Scenic designer for Shrek! The Musical	
Scenic designer for <i>Miracle in Bedford Falls</i>	
Scenic Designer and Scenic Charge Artist at Augustana College	January 2017 - April 2018
639 38th St, Rock Island, IL	
• Scenic designer and scenic charge for <i>In the Next Room</i> (January 2017)	
• Scenic designer and scenic charge for <i>The Drowsy Chaperone</i> (April 2018)	
Scenic Charge Artist at Davenport Junior Theatre	March 2017 – May 2019
2822 Eastern Ave, Davenport, IA	
• Scenic charge artist for <i>The Emperor's New Clothes</i>	
• Scenic charge artist for <i>Charlotte's Web</i>	
Scenic charge artist for Aesop's <i>Falables</i>	
Scenic Designer at Davenport Junior Theatre	March 2017 – May 2019
2822 Eastern Ave, Davenport, IA	
Scenic designer for <i>The Emperor's New Clothes</i>	
Scenic designer for James and the Giant Peach	
Scenic Designer at QC Theatre Workshop	August 2016 – November 2017
1730 Wilkes Ave, Davenport, IA	
• Scenic designer for <i>Inheritors</i> (August 2016)	
• Scenic designer for <i>Peter and the Starcatcher</i> (July 2017)	
• Scenic designer for <i>Almost, Maine</i> (November 2017)	
Scenic Charge Artist at QC Theatre Workshop	July 2016 – July 2018
1730 Wilkes Ave, Davenport, IA	
• Scenic charge for <i>Inheritors</i> (August 2016)	
• Scenic charge for <i>Buried Child</i> (October 2016)	
• Scenic charge for <i>Peter and the Starcatcher</i> (July 2017)	
• Scenic charge for <i>Broken</i> (August 2017)	
• Scenic charge for <i>Almost, Maine</i> (November 2017)	
• Scenic charge for <i>Venus in Fur</i> (March 2018)	
• Scenic charge for <i>Dead Man's Cell Phone</i> (July 2018)	
Scenic Designer and Scenic Charge Artist at Moline High School	July 2016 – October 2017
3600 Avenue of the Cities, Moline, IL	
• Scenic designer and scenic charge for <i>The Madcap Alice Project</i> (October 2016)	
• Scenic designer and scenic charge for <i>Iphigenia</i> (October 2017)	
Scenic Designer at Circa '21	June 2017
1828 3rd Ave, Rock Island, IL	
• Scenic design for <i>A Year with Frog and Toad</i> as part of technical direction internship	
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MFA WORK

January 2020 - May 2023

Scenic Designer

- Scenic designer for *Police Deaf Near Far* (unrealized due to pandemic) Scenic designer for *Origin Story* (regional premiere, November 2021) Scenic designer for *The Neverland* (world premiere, April 2022) •
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1275 Avenue of the Cities, East Moline, IL 61244

• Scenic designer for <i>Coriolanus</i> (April 2023)		
Media Designer	November 2020 – May 2023	
• Storyboard artist for <i>Folxtales</i>		
• Media designer for She Kills Monsters: Virtual Realms (April 2020)		
• Media designer for <i>Coriolanus</i> (April 2023)		
Scenic Charge	July – November 2022	
Scenic Charge for <i>Urinetown</i>		
Teaching Assistant	Fall Semester 2020	
• Survey of Theatrical Design, taught in a hybrid format		
Instructor of Record	Fall Semester 2021	
• Survey of Theatrical Design	1	
• Redesigned curriculum, navigated hybrid teaching model, graded, worked with stude	nt accommodations	
UNDERGRADUATE CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT		
Scenic Designer	August 2015 – September 2017	
• Scenic designer for <i>Pinocchio Commedia</i> (September 2015)		
• Scenic designer for Just a Dream: The Green Play (September 2016)		
• Scenic designer for Amelia Earhart (September 2017)		
Properties Master and Co-Properties Master	December 2014 – May 2016	
• Properties master for Aesop's (Oh So Slightly) Updated Fables (December 2014)		
• Co-properties master for <i>Katrina: The K Word</i> (February 2015)		
• Co-properties master for As You Like It (May 2015)		
• Properties master for <i>Machinal</i> (October 2015)		
• Co-properties master for Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street (May 201		
	December 2015 – November 2017	
 Technical director for <i>Trifles</i> (December 2015) Production designer and technical director for <i>The Complete Works of William Shakes</i> 	manue Abridand (April 2016)	
Troduction designer and technical anector for the Complete works of witham Shakes	speare, Abriagea (April 2016)	
 Technical director for <i>The Scene</i> (May 2016) Technical assistant for <i>Rabbit Hole</i> (September 2016) 		
 Lighting designer and technical assistant for Agnes of God (December 2016) 		
 Lighting designer and technical assistant for <i>Stop Kiss</i> (April 2016 – September 2017)	
Alpha Psi Omega National Theatre Honors Society, member	April 2015 – November 2017	
 Completed service hours every term 		
 Helped coordinate various Alpha Psi Omega events and activities 		
Alpha Psi Omega Experimental Media Co-Chair	January 2017 – May 2017	
• Organized and led events such as Artist Spotlight and Open Mic Night		
• Participated in weekly executive board meetings		
 Assisted president and other executive board members with all duties 		
VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE		
Rantoul Township High School	January 2022 – Present	
200 S. Sheldon St, Rantoul, IL	, j	
Recurring presenter on Jewish Faith and Culture		
Geneseo Middle School	February 2017, February 2018	
333 E. Ogden Ave, Geneseo, IL		
• Participated in a panel teaching 6 th grade students about professional theatre		
Alpha Psi Omega	April 2015 – November 2017	
 Unhuggables program teaching children about wildlife safety 		
Running Scared charity event		
Palomares Social Justice Center flyer distributor for language courses		
Vagina Monologues actress and ticket seller for QC Family Resources		
Kirk Players	June 2015	

Kirk Players
1350 W Hawley St, Mundelein, IL
Kirk players is a community theatre organization
Light board operator for *Charlotte's Web*