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PROFESSIONAL

THE FLYING DUTCHMAN	Christopher Alden	Lyric Opera of Chicago
JENUFA	Axel Weidauer	Lyric Opera of Chicago
PROXIMITY	Yuval Sharon	Lyric Opera of Chicago
ECLIPSED	May Adrales	Milwaukee Repertory Theatre
PERICLES	Linda Gates and Kiara Pipino	Prague Shakespeare Company '22
HENRY IV, PART 1	Matthew Davies	Prague Shakespeare Company '22
KING LEAR	Kevin Hopkins	Prague Shakespeare Company '22
MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING	Carolyn and Jim Johnson	Prague Shakespeare Company '22
HENRY VI, PART 1	Suzanne Dean	Prague Shakespeare Company '22
HENRY VI, PART 2	Laura Cole	Prague Shakespeare Company '22
HENRY VI, PART 3	Brendon Fox	Prague Shakespeare Company '22
ROMEO AND JULIET	Jennifer King	Prague Shakespeare Company '22
THE TAMING OF THE SHREW	Lisa Wolpe	Prague Shakespeare Company '22
WINTERS TALE	Brendon Fox	Prague Shakespeare Company '23
MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING	Carolyn and Jim Johnson	Prague Shakespeare Company '23
AS YOU LIKE IT	Sharon Ott	Prague Shakespeare Company '23
ROMAN DAGGERS	Lisa Wolpe	Prague Shakespeare Company '23
MACBETH	Dmitry Troyanovsky	Prague Shakespeare Company '23
TWELFTH NIGHT	Christine Schmidle	Prague Shakespeare Company '23
MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM	Linda Gates and Kiara Pipino	Prague Shakespeare Company '23
MEASURE OF MEASURE	Suzanne Dean	Prague Shakespeare Company '23
ROMEO AND JULIET	Guy Roberts	Prague Shakespeare Company '23
JULIUS CEASAR	Zack Neiditch	Indianapolis Shakespeare Company
THE JIGSAW BRIDE	Hayley Rice	First Folio Theatre
HATEFUCK	Atri Ishak	First Floor Theatre
PRO-AM	Rebecca Willingham	First Floor Theatre
THE RISE AND FALL OF HOLLY FUDGE	Daniella Wheelock	Phoenix Theatre
DEATHTRAP	Stuart Meltzer	Zoetic Stage
THE MOUNTAINTOP	Ansley Valentine	Cardinal Stage
HEATHERS	Emily Holloway	Eclipse Summer Stock Stage
SKIN A CAT	Macey Mott	Riot Act, Inc.
A STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE	Macey Mott	Riot Act, Inc.
KING LEAR	Macey Mott	Riot Act, Inc.
IN THE NEXT ROOM (OR THE VIBRATOR PLAY)	Morgan Manasa	Idle Muse Theatre Company
LAST MAN STANDING	Angel Wise	Riot Act, Inc.
EVIL DEAD: THE MUSICAL	Rory Willats	Firebay Theatre
OTHELLO	Mignon Stewart	Babes With Blades Theatre
THE LADY DEMANDS SATISFACTION	Morgan Manasa	Babes With Blades Theatre
LAST MAN STANDING	Angel Wise	Riot Act, Inc.
RESERVOIR DOLLS	Shannon Ouellette	Outre Theatre
ROMEO AND JULIET	Colleen Stovall	Florida Shakespeare Theatre
SPRING AWAKENING	Amy Austin	Centerstage Theatre Company
UNDO	Kim St. Leon	Parade Productions
CUDDLES	Keith Garsson	Arts Garage
THE WORLD GOES ROUND	Bruce Linsler	Palm Beach Opera
ROYAL FAMILY	Jean-Louis Baldet	Florida Atlantic Repertory Theatre
SHE LOVES ME	Lynn McNutt	Florida Atlantic Repertory Theatre



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ONCE UPON A MATTRESS

Bruce Linser

Florida Atlantic

Repertory Theatre

TARZAN

Kimberly Rommel-Enright

KWP Productions

MARY SHELLEY'S

David Catlin

Lookingglass Theatre Company

FRANKENSTEIN (assisted)

EDUCATIONAL

SPRING AWAKENING

Emily Young

Ohio Northern University

STUPID FUCKING BIRD

Chris Wayland

Roosevelt University

SHE KILLS MONSTERS

Kristen Larson

Grand View University

SHE KILLS MONSTERS

Tina El Gamal

Lake Forest College

SHE KILLS MONSTERS

Nathan Shewell

North Central High, IN

TREASURE ISLAND

John O'Hagan

Principia College

ROMEO AND JULIET

Liisa Ivary

Ashland High School

ROMEO AND JULIET

Joseph Fitzpatrick

Stevenson High School

FAILURE: A LOVE STORY

Joseph Fitzpatrick

Maine South High School

PIPPIN

Joseph Fitzpatrick

Maine South High School

FAILURE: A LOVE STORY

Jonathan Cohen

Taft High School

DUMB BITCH JUICE

Jamie Anderson

Indiana University

KING LEAR

Lynn McNutt

Florida Atlantic University

CRUCIBLE

Desmond Gallant

Florida Atlantic University

PICASSO AT THE LAPIN AGILE

Kathryn Johnston

Florida Atlantic University

AGNES OF GOD

Kathryn Johnston

Florida Atlantic University

HOLY GHOSTS

Jean-Louis Baldet

Florida Atlantic University

THE COUNTRY WIFE

Jean-Louis Baldet

Florida Atlantic University

MACBETH

Chloe King

ASOPA Theatre

DISTURBED

Siri Paulsen

ASOPA Theatre

THE MEASURES TAKEN

Christopher Wolter

ASOPA Theatre

STOP KISS

Abby Nigro

Alpha Phi Omega

BLITHE SPIRIT

Steven Kennedy

Alpha Phi Omega

REALLY REALLY

Bridget Parente

Alpha Phi Omega

IN ARABIA WE WILL BE KINGS

Paige Belcher

Alpha Phi Omega

PERICLES

Ross Frawley

Alpha Phi Omega

IN THE NEXT ROOM (OR THE VIBRATOR PLAY) Penny Sornberger

University of Indianapolis

FILM

ROVER

Principle, Fight Coord.

Caleb Allison

Pegasus Pictures

BLACK GHOST

Fight Coordinator

Caleb Allison

Pegasus Pictures

THE RUE

Fight Coordinator

Vincent Lomascola

Independent Film

WHEN I'M NOT HERE

Fight Coordinator

Raymond Cronley

ONU Student Film

THE PATTERSONS

Fight Coordinator

Jordan Lobbi

IU Cinema Guild

SHEEP FOR SHEOL

Stunt Coordinator

Melanie Taylor

IU Cinema Guild

TAKEN

Fight Coordinator

Myla Tissandier

Independent Film

YOU'VE BEEN SERVED

Fight Coordinator

Jacqueline Preston

Independent Film



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TEACHING

Louisiana Tech University Stage Combat Workshop

Kiss or Kill	Ruston, LA	2022
Beginning Single Sword	Ruston, LA	2022
Martial v Stage Logic	Ruston, LA	2022
Kiss or Kill	Ruston, LA	2023
Dagger and Rapier	Ruston, LA	2023
Beginner Single Sword	Ruston, LA	2023
The Smallsword/Spear Connection	Ruston, LA	2023

Prague Shakespeare Company

Basic Unarmed	Prague, Czech Republic	2022
Basic Single Sword	Prague, Czech Republic	2022
Basic Unarmed: Striking (Group 1)	Prague, Czech Republic	2023
Basic Unarmed: Striking (Group 2)	Prague, Czech Republic	2023
Basic Unarmed: Striking (Group 3)	Prague, Czech Republic	2023
Basic Unarmed Kicking/Grappling (Group 1)	Prague, Czech Republic	2023
Basic Unarmed Kicking/Grappling (Group 2)	Prague, Czech Republic	2023
Basic Unarmed Kicking/Grappling (Group 3)	Prague, Czech Republic	2023
Basic Knife	Prague, Czech Republic	2023
Basic Single Sword	Prague, Czech Republic	2023

Summer Sling Workshop

Kiss or Kill	New York City, NY	2021
Finding the Mess	New York City, NY	2021

Mentoring Advanced Combatants (MAC)

Kiss or Kill	Bloomington, IN	2023
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Winter Wonderland Workshop

Fight or Fuck (Sat)	Chicago, IL	2024
Fight or Fuck (Sun)	Chicago, IL	2024
Intro to Physical Storytelling	Chicago, IL	2024
Sexy Single Sword (Thurs)	Chicago, IL	2024
Sexy Single Sword (Fri)	Chicago, IL	2024
Hungry Single Sword	Chicago, IL	2024
The Consent Cycle	Chicago, IL	2024
Finding the Mess	Chicago, IL	2024

National Stage Combat Workshop

Introduction to Stage Combat Workshop	Ruston, LA	2021
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Babes with Blades Theatre

Writing Violence and Intimacy	Online	2021
Writing Violence and Intimacy	Online	2020

Idaho State University

Found Weapons	Pocatello, ID	2020
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Utah Festival Opera & Musical Theatre

Unarmed Basics	Online	2020
<i>Riot Act, Inc.</i>		
Rehearsal Tricks (Mixed Weapons)	Jackson Hole, WY	2020
Training the Defender	Jackson Hole, WY	2020
Whips	Jackson Hole, WY	2020
Whips	Jackson Hole, WY	2024
Basic Knife	Jackson Hole, WY	2024
<i>A-Town Throw Down Workshop</i>		
Character Angles (QS)	Atlanta, GA	2019
<i>The Left Turn Workshop</i>		
Elemental Weapon (QS)	Albuquerque, NM	2019
Rehearsal Tricks (Kn)	Albuquerque, NM	2019
<i>Cease and Desist Workshop</i>		
Rehearsal Tricks (SiS)	Cincinnati, OH	2019
<i>BWBTC Fight Workshop</i>		
Rehearsal Tricks (SiS)	Chicago, IL	2019
<i>Texas Intensive Workshop</i>		
Kiss or Kill	Houston, TX	2022
Beginning Knife	Houston, TX	2022
Beginning Single Sword	Houston, TX	2022
Foundational Single Sword	Houston, TX	2021
Foundational Knife	Houston, TX	2021
Kiss or Kill	Houston, TX	2021
Rehearsal Tricks (SS)	Houston, TX	2018
Exploring Targets (QS)	Houston, TX	2018
Rehearsal Tricks (SiS)	Houston, TX	2018
<i>Principia College</i>		
4-day Stage Combat Intensive (UA, SiS)	Elsah, IL	2018
Fighting for Film Workshop	Elsah, IL	2018
<i>Florida Shakespeare Theatre</i>		
Single Sword basics	Hollywood, FL	2018
<i>Tourist Trap Workshop</i>		
Functional Partnering (Basic UA)	Orlando, FL	2018
Rehearsal Tricks (BS)	Orlando, FL	2018
Roll roll roll your boat (Basic Tumbling)	Orlando, FL	2018
<i>Outré Theatre Company</i>		
Voice in Violence	Pompano Beach, FL	2017

Showtime Theatre



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Stage Combat (Basic UA)

Boca Raton, FL

2016

Florida Atlantic University

Introduction to Stage Combat (Semester) Boca Raton, FL 2016

Teaching Assistant Experience-Stage Combat

Professional Webinar Series

Dynamic Body Foundation Leraldo Anzaldua 2021

Deutschland Stage Combat

Knife Leraldo Anzaldua 2019

Unarmed (Kung Fu Focus) Leraldo Anzaldua 2019

Ohio Shakespeare Festival

Broadsword Leraldo Anzaldua 2019

Actors Gymnasium

Broadsword Chuck Coyl 2017

Quarterstaff Chuck Coyl 2017

Rapier and Dagger Chuck Coyl 2017

Unarmed Chuck Coyl 2018

Smallsword Chuck Coyl 2018

Single Sword Chuck Coyl 2019

Virginia Beach Bash Workshop

Katana Dale Girard 2018

Knife Britain Willcock 2018

Progressive Sequence Paul Burke 2018

Transition to handgun Dave White 2018

Selling the shot Dave White 2018

Dirty Rapier Ronin Traynor 2019

Carnage e Trois Casey Kaleba 2019

Organic Choreography Britain Willcock 2019

Elizabethan Street Fighting Casey Kaleba 2019

Unarmed Kung Fu for the Screen Michael Chin 2019

LA Tech Stage Combat Workshop

Massive Takedowns Adam Rector 2018

Fighting a Bear Andrew Ray 2018

Intro to Smallsword Paul Pharris 2018

Intro to Aerial Silks Darby Guinn 2018

Single Sword and Cape Jason and Jacki Armit 2019

Intro to R&D Jacki Armit 2019

Advanced Knife Adam Rector 2019

No Droopy Dagger Caitlyn Herzlinger 2019

Adjusting to Obstacles Jason Armit 2019

Texas Intensive Workshop



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Stand Up/Fall Down	Christopher Beaulieu	2018
Refining R&D Techniques	Michael Chin	2018
T-t-t-touch Me I want to feel safe	Toby Minor	2018
The Fredricksen Cuisinart	Adam Baglereau	2018
Swashin' the Buckle!	H. Russ Brown	2019
A Razor's Edge: Reality & Illusion	Adam Noble	2019
Character Choreo	Katherine Pepin	2019
Slow Smooth, Smooth Fast	Luke Eddy	2019
Fight Direction	Aimee Root, Ashley White	2019
 <i>Cease and Desist Workshop</i>		
Int. Unarmed	Don Preston	2019
Tomahawk and Knife	Patrick Kelly	2019
Fighting for a Place in Valhalla	Patrick Kelly	2019
Smallsword	Leraldo Anzaldúa	2019
 <i>A-Town Throw Down Workshop</i>		
Skirts and Heels	Michelle Ladd	2019
Motion Capture	Michelle Ladd	2019
Adv. Rapier and Dagger	Richard Ryan	2019
Double Stick to Double Sword	Scot Mann	2019
Double Sword v Spear	Leraldo Anzaldúa	2019
Limb Destructions	Patrick Kelly	2019
Single Sword SPR	Leraldo Anzaldúa	2019
 <i>Flying V Company</i>		
Blind Fighting	Leraldo Anzaldúa	2019
Kung Fu Knife	Leraldo Anzaldúa	2019
 <i>Tourist Trap Workshop</i>		
Kung fu fighting	Bob Macdougall	2018
Good. But will it work in a bar?	Jon Rubin	2018
No More Mr. Knife Guy	Brendan Westerfield	2018
Exploratory Sword and Shield	Lee Soroko	2018
 <i>Lonestar Smash Workshop</i>		
Single sword and Compliment	Amie Root	2018
A History of Stage Combat	Brian LaTraunik	2018
Intro to Aerial Silks	Darby Guinn	2018
Rapier and Dagger	Brian LaTraunik	2018
Silks: Gettin' Groovy	Darby Guinn	2018
Single Sword	David Reed	2018
Aerial Gym	Darby Guinn	2018
Small Sword	David Woolley	2018
 <i>Private Workshop Hosted at Indiana University</i>		
Unarmed	Leraldo Anzaldúa	2018
 <i>The Left Turn Workshop</i>		



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So You've Got a Knife	Dave Gonzalez	2017
Looking Badda\$\$ with a Single Sword	H. Russ Brown	2017
Building Reaction Time	Patrick Kelly	2017

Private Workshop Hosted at Florida Atlantic University

Unarmed	Lee Soroko	2016
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Denver Theatre Academy

Rapier and Dagger	Geoffrey Kent	2014
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UC-Colorado Springs

Single sword	Geoffrey Kent	2014
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University of Wyoming

Stage Combat 1	Leigh Selting	2014
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TRAINING

Society of American Fight Directors- Certified Teacher

Fight Directors Canada-Intermediate Actor/Combatant

Pass: Longsword, Smallsword, Martial Arts, Unarmed, Sword, Quarterstaff

Deutschland Stage Combat

Pass with Distinction: Unarmed (Kung Fu Focus), Knife

Theatrical Firearms Safety- Certified

National Stage Combat Workshop

Teacher Certification Workshop- Attendant	Ruston, LA	2021
Actor Combatant Workshop- Attendant	Winston-Salem, NC	2013

Mentoring Actor Combatants Intensive

Co-Coordinator, Attendant	Bloomington, IN	2019
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The Left Turn

Associate Instructor	Albuquerque, NM	2019
Head Intern	Albuquerque, NM	2017

Texas Intensive

Instructor	Houston, TX	2021
Associate Instructor	Houston, TX	2019
Associate Instructor	Houston, TX	2018

Virginia Beach Bash

Teaching Assistant	Virginia Beach, VA	2019
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Teaching Assistant	Virginia Beach, VA	2017

Tourist Trap



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Associate Instructor

Orlando, FL

2018

Philadelphia Cheesesteak
Intern

Philadelphia, PA

2017

Winter Wonderland Workshop
Intern
Attendant

Chicago, IL

2018

Chicago, IL

2014

Lonestar Smash

Intern
Teaching Assistant

Dallas, TX

2017

Dallas, TX

2018

Cease and Desist

Associate Instructor

Cincinnati, OH

2019

LA Tech Stage Combat Workshop

Instructor
Teaching Assistant
Teaching Assistant

Ruston, LA

2022

Ruston, LA

2019

Ruston, LA

2018

A-Town Throw Down

Teaching Assistant

Atlanta, GA

2019

Summer Sling

Teacher
Choreographers Track- Attendant

New York City, NY

2021

New York City, NY

2018

Social Distance Showdown

Attendant

Online

2020

Fast and Furious

Attendant
Attendant

Philadelphia, PA

2017

Philadelphia, PA

2014

SUPPLEMENTARY TRAINING

Training in Anti-Racism

Racial Equity Institute – Phase 1 Racial Equity Workshop – January 2021

Racial Equity Institute – Phase 2 Racial Equity Workshop – March 2021

Anti-Racist Theatre – Foundational Course – March 2021

Harassment/Sexual Harassment Training

TCP Training – Sexual Harassment Course – Completed on March 27, 2019

Compliance Training Group –California Sexual Harassment Awareness - Completed March 27, 2019

Hollaback - Bystander Intervention to Stop Stigma around Learning Differences – Completed May 2021

Hollaback - Bystander Intervention Stop Anti-Asian/American and Xenophobic Harassment – Completed July 2021

Hollaback - Bystander Intervention In the Workplace – Completed August 2021



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Hollaback - Bystander Intervention Stop Anti- LGBTQIA+ Harassment – Completed

September 2021

Roosevelt University- Sexual Harassment and Discrimination – Completed October 4, 2022

Ethics/Diversity/Implicit Bias Training

- Kirwan Institute - Implicit Bias Module Series – Completed on March 12, 2019
- Syntrio - Valuing Diversity – Completed April 2, 2019
- Cultivating Culturally Competent Productions – IDC Continuing Education- 2022
- Traliant- Cultural Competency Training – 2022
- Traliant- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion in the Workplace Training – 2022
- Traliant- Microaggressions in the workplace – 2022
- Traliant- Religion, Spirituality, and Belief Training – 2022
- Traliant- Unconscious Bias Training – 2022

Sensitivity Training/Mediation and Conflict Resolution Training

- Compliance Training Group – Conflict Resolution – Completed on March 26, 2019
- Syntrio – Creating a Bullying-Free Workplace, Managers – Completed April 2, 2019

Gender/Sexuality Training

- Disentangling Gender, Sex, and Sexuality – Terra Anderson, Intimacy Professionals Association
- Let’s Talk about Transition– Terra Anderson, Intimacy Professionals Association
- Moving Beyond Heteronormativity – Terra Anderson, Intimacy Professionals Association
- Non Binary Basics - Maybe Burke, Transgender Training Institute
- Getting Comfortable with Pronouns - Maybe Burke, Transgender Training Institute
- Supporting Transgender Actors and Creators - Maybe Burke, Transgender Training Institute
- Transgender Ally/Advocate Training - Maybe Burke, Transgender Training Institute
- Traliant- LGBTQIA+ Inclusion Training – 2022

Mental Health First Aid – Certified

CPR/First Aid – Certified

WORKSHOPS

Key: I = Instructor, AI = Associate Instructor, TA = Teaching Assistant

NSCW. 2013 ACW

The Left Turn. 2017 –Head Intern, 2019 AI

Virginia Beach Bash. 2017 TA, 2018 TA, 2019 TA

Philadelphia Cheesesteak. 2017 Intern

Lonestar Smash. 2017 Intern, 2018 TA

Summer Sling- Choreographers Track 2018, I 2021

LA Tech Stage Combat Workshop. 2018 TA, 2019 TA, 2022 I

MAC Intensive. 2019, 2023 Coordinator

Texas Intensive. 2018 AI, 2019 AI, 2021 I

Tourist Trap. 2018 AI

Winter Wonderland Workshop. 2018 Intern

Cease and Desist. 2019 AI

A-Town Throw Down. 2019 TA

****Intimacy Director Resume upon request***