

EDUCATION

University of Colorado
Bachelor of Arts in Psychology

Cobalt Studios, NY
Scenic Painting Summer Intensive

University of Northern Colorado
Master of Arts in Special Education

Boston University
Graduate Courses in Scenic Painting/Art History

EXPERIENCE

Puppet Assistant * The Lion King / Rafiki Tour * January 2024 to present

Paint, repair, build, and help care for over 200 puppets and props in a three-person department while traveling full-time on the North American tour. Assist with emergency repairs during shows, provide support for rehearsals. Train and coach new actors. Utilize a wide variety of materials and mechanisms, including carbon fiber, foam, latex, metal, acrylic, fiber.

Stage Manager/Run Crew/Board Op * Millibo Art Theatre * January 2022 to January 2024

Stage managed for a variety of adult and children's shows, including cabarets, fundraisers, circus, plays, comedy nights, and others. Worked collaboratively with actors, crew, and production staff to ensure smooth rehearsals and performances. Assisted with props and scenery, ran light and/or sound board during shows, operated hydraulic lift, managed aerial rigging.

Art Teacher * American School of Puerto Vallarta, Mexico * August 2019 to June 2021

Sole art teacher for all grades K-12. Taught self-designed visual arts curriculum, with a variety of media and approaches, utilizing Teaching for Artistic Behavior framework. Courses included AP 2D Art & Design, HS 2D elective, full year 9th grade 2D/3D, art shows and school events.

Art Teacher * Coal Creek Elementary * September 2015 to May 2019

Taught over 300 students in grades K-5 visual arts curriculum, utilizing choice-based approach and design-process thinking while fulfilling state & national standards. Awarded Classroom Innovation Grant two years in a row for integrating technology with art. Founded and curated an annual all-school art show, with over 400 artworks.

Scenic Artist * North Shore Music Theatre * May 2013 to August 2013

Worked independently and under the direction of the scenic charge artist to create floor treatments and other scenic elements for summer professional musical theatre season.. Assisted with painting props. Used sculptural elements, fabric, and other media to accurately reflect the design. Collaborated with scenic, lighting, and props departments.

Scenic Artist Overhire * Huntington Theatre Company * October 2012 to August 2014

Painted, textured, and applied finishing techniques to a variety of hard and soft goods, both in the shop and on stage (won a Tony award for Best Regional Theatre). Worked with a team of scenic artists to produce high quality painted scenery including drops, floors, walls, railings, in all manner of materials and styles.

Props Painter * American Repertory Theatre * October 2012 to December 2012

Painted a variety of hard and soft goods for the properties department, for the show "Pippin" (director: Diane Paulus, designer: Scott Pask, winner of a Tony award for Best Musical Revival). Worked collaboratively with other craftspeople to match designer's specifications. Met all deadlines and maintained supplies.

Studio Artist * Elizabeth Dow, Ltd., NY * Summer 2011

Worked with a team of artists to create hand-painted, detailed, custom wallpaper for upscale residential and commercial clients. Utilized sponging, rolling, taping, faux effects, collaging, and blending techniques to match gallery samples and designer requests. Maintained strict quality control and matched color and finish to client's exact specifications.



ADDITIONAL CREDITS

The Herds	Red Deer Hind Puppeteer	Copenhagen, Denmark
The Lion Sings Tonight (benefit show)	Shadow Puppet Creator/Performer	The Rose Room, Dallas
Santa's Elves: Who's Got Talent?	Stilts/Ukulele/Cranky Artist	Millibo Art Theatre
Volcanoes!	Scenic Artist	Theatre Across Borders
Avenue Q	Right-hand Trekkie, Bad Idea Bear	Wynot Productions
The Mighty Burros of Manitou Springs	Creator/Performer	Manitou Puppet Theat.
Felt Up! Puppet Burlesque	Stilt-walker/aerial marionette	DCPA
Winter Wonders	Cranky Artist/SM	Theatreworks
The Howdy-Do Show	Performer/Participant	O'Neill Puppetry Conf.
Aerial+Marionette Original Act	Creator/Performer	Clocktower Cabaret
Snowy Tales	Puppeteer/Scenic Painter	Theatreworks
Rocky Mountain Puppet Slam	Creator/Performer	2018 to present
Irregular Opening (One-Act)	Actor/Scenic Painter	Coal Creek Theatre
You for Me for You	Charge Artist	Company One
Woyzeck	Charge Artist	Portland CC
All in the Timing	Charge Artist	Portland CC
Meeses Peeeces	Puppeteer	Castiron Carousel
Little Shop of Horrors	Puppeteer	Tin Pan Alley
Bitchin'tella!	Puppeteer/Vocalist	Portland State Univ.
Little One Inch (regional tour)	Puppeteer	Tears of Joy Theatre
Rose City Vaudeville	Aerialist/Stilts	Portland, OR
Festival Circus (tour)	Aerialist/Clown	England

WORKSHOPS/RESIDENCIES

The Herds	July 2025, Copenhagen Cohort	Red Deer Puppeteer
O'Neill National Puppetry Conference	Summer 2022 (Scholarship)	Howdy Doody Show
Penland School of Craft	Summer 2021 (Scholarship)	Letterpress

SPECIAL SKILLS

Puppeteering, machine- and hand-sewing, clay sculpture, wheel throwing, foam sculpture, printmaking, jewelry-making, art installation, soldering, welding (oxy-acetylene and MIG), metal work, fiber arts, basic carpentry, working at heights, hand and power tools, book-making, aerial dance, music reading, vocal performance, K-12 arts education, American Sign Language, event management, stage management, program development, curriculum design, program evaluation, grant writing, graphic design, marketing.

CERTIFICATIONS / ADDITIONAL TRAINING

- * Fluent in American Sign Language
- * Conversational-level spoken Spanish
- * Professional Teaching License, K-12, Visual Art (Colorado)