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EDUCATION

New York University (New York, NY)	2016 - 2018
<u>Tisch Department in Dance, Master of Fine Arts Candidate</u>	
MFA Class Representative	2016 - 2018
NYU Tisch Department of Dance, Graduate Work Study	2017 - 2018
Position: Departmental Scheduling for all Tisch Dance Studios and the Jack Crystal Theater	
Virginia Commonwealth University (Richmond, VA)	2007 - 2011
<u>Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance and Choreography</u>	
Magna Cum Laude Honors at Virginia Commonwealth University	2011
Outstanding Performer Award of Achievement	2009 - 2011
Carpenter Scholarship Award	2008 - 2011
Outstanding Freshman Award of Achievement	2008
The National Society of Collegiate Scholars Nominee	2008
VCU Dance Freshman Class Representative	2007 - 2008
Long Island High School of the Arts (Syosset, NY)	2005 - 2007
<u>Dance Department</u>	
Long Island High School of the Arts Scholarship Award	2007
Student Government Representative	2006 – 2007

ADDITIONAL INTENSIVE DANCE TRAINING/WORKSHOPS

Reimagining Dance: A Screendance-making Workshop (Virtual)	2023
Tisch Dance Alumni Choreography Mentorship (New York, NY)	2019
David Dorfman Dance Winter Intensive (New York, NY)	2013
American Dance Festival (Durham, North Carolina)	2009 - 2011
American Dance Festival Staff Assistant Scholarship	2010 - 2011
David Howard Month of Sundays (New York, NY)	2006
Ballet Hispanico Summer Intensive (New York, NY)	2003
New York Offstage (New York, NY)	2001

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ACADEMIC TEACHING

Hope College (Holland, MI)	2019- Present
Assistant Professor, Department of Dance	
Co-Director of H2 Dance Company	
Student Dance Showcase Advisor	
Dance Club Advisor	
Teacher of Composition, Jazz, Hip Hop, Modern, Tap, and Dance Repertory	
Long Island University (Glen Head, NY)	2012
Guest Teacher, Department of Dance	
Teacher of Modern, Open Level Major and Non-Majors	

GUEST ARTIST TEACHING/CHOREOGRAPHY RESIDENCIES

West Michigan Dance Festival (Kalamazoo, MI)	2024
Jazz Technique Teacher	
Grand Rapids Ballet Summer Intensive (Grand Rapids, MI)	2022-2024
Jazz Technique Teacher	
Imprint Dance School (Grand Rapids, MI)	2024
Master Guest Teacher	
Oakland Dance Festival (Farmington Hills, Grand Rapids)	2023
Hip Hop Teacher	
daCi USA Gathering (Holland, MI)	2023
Modern Technique Teacher	
CARE Ballet Studios (Grand Rapids, MI)	2021
Hip Hop and Jazz Technique Teacher	
CREC Academy of the Arts (Hartford, CT)	2018
Choreographer	
Bronx Community Charter School STEAM Program (Bronx, NY)	2017
Hip Hop Teacher	
The School at Columbia University (New York, NY)	2013
Creative Movement Teacher	
Long Island High School for the Arts (Syosset NY)	2012
Contemporary Teacher	

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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Nassau Dance Center (Baldwin, NY) Ballet, Broadway, Contemporary, Hip- Hop, Jazz, Modern and Tap Teacher Ages 4-Adult	2004 -2017
Co-op School Summer Camp (Brooklyn, NY) Creative Movement Teacher Ages 2-6	2014 -2018
NYU Tisch Future Dancers and Dancemakers Workshop (New York, NY) Ballet, Contemporary, Improvisation, Composition and Repertory Teacher Ages 14-18	2018
Family YMCA at Tarrytown (Westchester, NY) Ballet, Creative Movement, Tap and Hip Hop Teacher Ages 2-12	2016 - 2017
Christina's Dance Unlimited (Wantagh, NY) Jazz and Contemporary Teacher Ages 5-18	2015 - 2016
Long Island Dance Project (Garden City, NY) Ballet, Contemporary Ballet, Hip Hop and Modern Teacher Ages 4-Adult	2011 - 2014
JSSIDance Summer Intensive (Long Island, NY) Contemporary and Tap Teacher Ages 10-Adult	2013
Dance Dynamics (Mineola, NY) Ballet, Jazz and Tap Teacher Ages 3-7	2011 - 2012
Expressions in Dance (Massapequa, NY) Ballet and Contemporary Teacher Ages 7-18	2011 - 2012
Shuffles Performing Arts Center (Richmond, VA) Jazz, Modern and Tap Teacher Ages 11-18	2010 - 2011

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ASSISTANT TEACHING

PS21 Chatham Workshop (Chatham, NY) Assistant to Jamal Jackson	2017
Abundance International Dance Festival (Karlstad, Sweden) Assistant to Jamal Jackson	2016
American Dance Festival Winter Intensive (New York, NY) Assistant to Christian Von Howard	2009 – 2016
Iliev Dance Art Foundation (Sofia, Bulgaria) Assistant to Christian Von Howard	2013
Broadway Dance Center Summer Workshop (New York, NY) Assistant to Michelle Assaf	2006

CONCERT DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY

<i>Stomping Ground</i> ACDA Conference (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI) Oakland Dance Festival (Farmington Hills, MI) Knickerbocker Theater (Holland, MI)	2022-2024
<i>Who's Game?</i> (Maggie Allesee Finalist) Oakland Dance Festival (Farmington Hills, MI) Knickerbocker Theater (Holland, MI) Jack Crystal Theater (New York, NY)	2018-2023
<i>Conform Me Not</i> DeWitt Theater (Holland, MI)	2023
<i>All Foam, No Content</i> DeWitt Theater (Holland, MI) The Highline Ballroom (New York, NY) Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts (Hartford, CT) Jack Crystal Theater (New York, NY)	2017-2022
<i>Ritual</i> Oakland Dance Festival (Farmington Hills, MI) Dimnent Chapel (Holland, MI)	2021
<i>Wordless Thoughts</i> Las Vegas Dance in the Desert Festival (Las Vegas, NV)	2020-2021

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DeWitt Theater (Holland, MI)	
<i>Not Another Zoom Call</i>	2021
DeWitt Theater (Holland, MI)	
<i>Reines</i>	2020
Knickerbocker Theater (Holland, MI)	
<i>Reverie</i>	2017-2019
Knickerbocker Theater (Holland, MI)	
Jack Crystal Theater (New York, NY)	
<i>Toward Convergence</i>	2019
Jack H. Miller Center for Musical Arts (Holland, MI)	
<i>Where to?</i>	2019
Long Island High School for the Arts (Syosset, NY)	
<i>It is What it is</i>	2018
Site Specific, NYU Tisch School of the Arts (New York, NY)	
<i>Step One</i> (In collaboration with Ayala Abrams and Miriam Rose)	2017
Jack Crystal Theater (New York, NY)	
<i>Apparatus</i>	2012
AUPAC (Garden City, New York)	
<i>Counter Existence</i>	2011
Ailey Citigroup Theater (New York, NY)	
<i>Other Side Please!</i>	2010 – 2011
Adelphi University Performing Arts Center (Garden City, NY)	
American College Dance Festival at the Kennedy Center (Washington DC)	
Grace Street Theater (Richmond, VA)	

MUSICAL THEATER CHOREOGRAPHY

<i>A Brand New World</i> , Three Act Theatre Company	2018
The Clurman Theatre, Theatre Row (New York, NY)	

ADDITIONAL CHOREOGRAPHY

Ronald McDonald House's 25th Anniversary Gala (Citi-field, Queens, NY)	2012
Flash Mob Choreographer	
NY Girl Scouts (Baldwin, NY)	2004 - 2005
Dance Choreographer	
Beach Channel High School Marching Band (Rockaway, NY)	2002 - 2005

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Majorette Choreographer

COMPANY WORK/ PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

LMproject (NYC based) **2013 - 2018**

Broadway Bound **2013 - 2018**

Road to Broadway **2013**

Venues: Middle and High Schools in Middletown, CT, Washington DC,
Greensboro, GA, Cape Cod, MA, Baltimore, MD, and Northern VA

Jamal Jackson Dance Company (Brooklyn based) **2014 -2017**

ROB DAY **2017**

Temple Burn It Down **2016 - 2017**

The People Vs **2015 - 2016**

Bask In The Shade **2014**

Venues: Abundance International Dance Festival, Karlstad, Sweden

PUSHfest at ODC (San Francisco, CA)

Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool (Washington, DC)

Boston Contemporary Dance Festival at Boston Center for the Arts (Boston, MA)

Brooklyn Museum, Triskelion Arts Center, and the Dumbo Lounge (Brooklyn, NY)

The Mark O'Donnell Theater at the Actors Fund Arts Center (Brooklyn, NY)

PS21 Chatham (Chatham, NY)

Tompkinsville Park (Staten Island, NY)

MADArt Creative (NYC based) **2013 - 2016**

Inner Reaches **2014 - 2016**

Ondine **2014**

Venues: Yale University (Hartford, CT)

Center for Performance Research (Brooklyn, NY)

The Flamboyant Theatre (New York, NY)

VON HOWARD PROJECT (NYC based) **2009 - 2016**

Love Language **2016**

(RE)FOCUS **2015**

On Display **2015**

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Surfacing **2013**

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Venues: Ailey Citigroup Theatre and APAP at Peridance Center (New York, NY)
Iliev Dance Art Festival (Sofia, Bulgaria)
New Jersey Performing Arts Center (Newark, NJ)

Dawn Springer Dance Projects (Pennsylvania and Wisconsin based) **2011**
Dreams of Flight
Philly Fringe Festival, Philadelphia, PA **2011**

ADDITIONAL PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

New York University (Jack Crystal Theater, New York, NY)
Grace by Ronald K. Brown **2018**
Additional Venue: Radio City Music Hall, New York, NY
Pro-ceed/pro-gress by Pamela Pietro **2018**
ORDERDISORDER by Rodney Hamilton **2018**
Menschen Die Tanzen by Aaron Samuel Davis **2017**

Virginia Commonwealth University (Grace Street Theater, Richmond, VA)
Chambre Avec Vue by Stefanie Batten Bland **2011**
Shelter by Jawole Willa Jo Zollar **2011**
A Little Tenderness by Martha Curtis
Medicinus-a-um by Alyssa Gregory **2010**
Purpose to Purge by Felix L. Cruz Jr **2010**
Her in His Hands by Tiffany Mckinley **2010**
A Statement About Being by Christian Von Howard **2010**
Additional Venues: The Kennedy Center, Washington DC
Ailey Studios, New York, NY
Snake Eyes by Amy Kaeberle **2010**
Between Floors by Corrine Bates **2009**
A Day Apart by Melodie Fais **2009**
Additional Venue: The Kennedy Center, Washington DC
De Materie by Christian Von Howard **2009**
Additional Venue: Ailey Studios, New York, NY
Soul Serenade by Christian Von Howard **2009**
Cross Fades, by Glen Lewis **2009**

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<i>Commit 2 Memory</i> by Megan Thompson	2009
<i>Seer- ee- uhl</i> by Felix Cruz	2009
<i>Strangers with Soundtracks</i> by Charli Brissey	2008
<i>Tasting Time</i> by Amanda Gay	2008
<i>Configured Time</i> by Tony Cauldon	2008
<i>A New Day</i> by Aaron Burr Johnson	2008
<i>Volcano</i> by Daniel Gwartzman	2008
<i>Seeds of Something More</i> by James Frazier	2007

Professional

<i>ReViewed</i> by Jessica Wontropski (Lincoln Center Institute, New York, NY)	2009
<i>World Hip Hop Dance Championship</i> with Broadway Dance Center Hip Hop Crew (London, England)	2005

COMMERCIAL DANCE

Donnie from Making the Band 4 (Patchogue Theater for the Performing Arts, Back Up Dancer Patchogue, NY)	2007
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FILM PERFORMANCES

Urban Bush Woman Documentary: <i>Restaging Shelter</i> by Bruce Berryhill and Martha Curtis Screenings: Lincoln Center (New York, NY) and Grace Street Theater (Richmond, VA)	2011
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FILMS

<i>Gossip</i> Screened at: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oakland Dance Festival (Maggie Allesee Finalist)• FilmFest by Rogue Dancer	2023
<i>Not another zoom call</i> (in collaboration with Jose Vasquez) Screened at: Consonance Music and Dance Film Festival	2021-2022
<i>Reset</i>	2017
<i>A Matching Disaster</i> (in collaboration with Anna Hardy)	2010
<i>Enthralled</i>	2010
<i>Memory Bank</i>	2010

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LEADERSHIP ROLES

Beach Channel High School Marching Band Drum Major	2003 - 2004
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CONFERENCES AND SCHOLARLY PRESENTATION

National Dance Education Organization Conference Attendee/Student Chaperone	2023
Women in Dance Leadership Conference (New York, NY) Co-curator and panelist Panel Topic: <i>Being Seen, Moving Through Bodies and Flesh</i>	2018

AWARDS AND NOMINATIONS

ALVA Award for Choreographic Excellence Recipient	2024
Maggie Allesee Choreography Competition Two-time Finalist	2023

MEDIA APPEARENCES/INTERVIEWS

inbtwn. Magazine <i>Quarantining Through Dance</i> by Maxine Flasher-Düzgünes	2020
Harvard University's Alumni of Color Conference <i>Immunity in Community: Resilience in the Face of a Double Pandemic</i> Interviewed by Tiffany Mellard	2020

SERVICE

Hope College President's Advisory Committee Member	2021-2024
Academic Planning subcommittee Member	2021
Search Committee Member	2019-2020
The Ronald McDonald House's 25th Anniversary Gala (Citi-field, Queens, New York) Volunteer Flash Mob Choreographer	2012
Rosemary Kennedy Center Community Service (Wantagh, New York) Volunteer Instructor and Choreographer	2007

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Tour of Nursing Homes and Senior Citizen Centers (NY) Volunteer Performer	1997 - 2007
Focus on the Arts - DeSeversky Center (Oyster Bay, New York) Volunteer Performer	2006
Performance Week for Senior Citizens (Lido Beach, New York) Volunteer Performer	2000 - 2006
Coalition Against Child Abuse (Garden City, New York) Volunteer Performer	2001 - 2005

MEMBERSHIPS

National Dance Education Organization Member	2023-Present
Michigan Dance Council Member	2022-Present

INFLUENTIAL INSTRUCTORS/MENTORS

Janice Aguilera, Michelle Assaf, Patricia Beaman, Sheila Barker, Shirlene Blake-Neale, Elizabeth Cocker, Sean Curran, Martha Curtis, Brenda Daniels, Susan Dodge, David Dorfman, James Frazier, Sharon Jones, Beth King, Ted Levy, Arnott Mader, Christian Von Howard, Pamela Pietro, Kendra Portier, Scott Putman, Cari Ann Shim Sham, Gus Solomons Jr., Dawn Springer, Jennifer Sudol-Fite, Jesse Zaritt, and Nadia Zhivotenko