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#### **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

#### **Academic:**

Associate Professor, Radford University, Radford, VA

2013-present

- Serve as Head of Design for Department of Theatre and Cinema (as of 2017)
- Create and teach courses for undergraduate majors and non-majors in

Design, I-IV Scene Painting Stage Makeup Design

Production Practicum Theatre Appreciation Theatre Appreciation / Online

- Guide Independent Study courses for theatre majors as requested
- Design scenery and/or lighting for Department of Theatre and Cinema productions
- Design scenery and/or lighting for Department of Dance productions as necessary
- Advise and mentor students with production design assignments
- Assist students in preparation for and during design and technical competitions and job searches at regional and national professional theatre conventions
- Advise theatre majors on academic course selection and professional development opportunities
- Conduct Semester End Reviews for Technical/Design students
- Serve on various department, college, and university committees as assigned

**Theatre Faculty**, Virginia Governor's School for Visual and Performing Arts, Radford, VA

Summer 2010

• Developed and taught seminars in

Introduction to Design Mask Making Beginning Scene Painting

Supervised students during studio project sessions

Adjunct Faculty, Virginia Western Community College (VWCC), Roanoke, VA

2009-2013

• Developed and taught courses for undergraduate majors and non-majors in

Introduction to Theatre Stagecrafts Production Workshop

- Supervised students during lab sessions on the construction of scenery for departmental productions
- Served as advisor to Season Selection Committee

Adjunct Faculty, Hollins University, Roanoke, VA

2003-2013

• Developed and taught courses for undergraduate majors and non-majors in

Introduction to Design Scene Design Lighting Design Script Analysis Scene Painting Mask Making

- Served as a Senior Thesis Mentor for Theatre Majors
- Mentored students in resume and portfolio development for presentation at regional theatre conventions

#### Adjunct Faculty, Radford University, Radford, VA

2006-2007

• Taught course for undergraduate majors and non-majors in Lighting

### Theatrical Design and Production:

#### Scenic Designer, Freelance, Roanoke, VA

1998-2022

 Design and paint scenery for regional companies including Roanoke Children's Theatre, Opera Roanoke, Mill Mountain Theatre, Virginia Children's Theatre, Gainesville Theatre Alliance, Barter Theatre, Liberty University, and UNCG Opera

# EMPLOYMENT HISTORY, CONT.

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<ul> <li>Designer/Producer, Jimmy Ward Scenic LLC, Roanoke, VA</li> <li>Designed and produced scenery in collaboration with other designers</li> </ul>	2009-2013
<ul> <li>Resident Designer/Production Manager, VWCC Theatre, Roanoke, VA</li> <li>Designed, built and painted scenery for two shows per academic year</li> <li>Designed, executed, focused and cued lighting designs for two shows per academic year</li> <li>Trained and rehearsed with volunteer and student construction and running crews</li> <li>Maintained shop and equipment, as well as storage areas for scenery and props</li> </ul>	2009-2013
<ul> <li>Resident Designer/Charge Scenic Artist, Mill Mountain Theatre, Roanoke, VA</li> <li>Collaborated with artistic team on script analysis and interpretation</li> <li>Researched period style of architecture and décor as appropriate</li> <li>Designed scenery, props, lighting, and/or costumes in support of director's vision for production</li> <li>Produced all necessary drawings, models, and materials needed for production</li> <li>Served as charge scenic artist and paint shop supervisor</li> <li>Assisted guest designers during production and technical rehearsal periods</li> <li>Assisted production management staff with schedules, budgets, and staffing</li> </ul>	2000-2009
<ul> <li>Resident Set and Lighting Designer, Florence Little Theatre, Florence, SC</li> <li>Designed scenery and lighting in collaboration with directors</li> <li>Managed schedules, shop staff, and production budgets for company</li> <li>Served as scenic artist and props artisan for all productions</li> </ul>	1998-2000
<ul> <li>MFA Graduate Assistant, UNC - Greensboro, Greensboro, NC</li> <li>Supervised undergraduate students in scene, costume and lighting shops</li> <li>Taught sections of basic stage crafts and familiarized students with principles and terms of lighting design</li> <li>Oriented students in the safe use of tools in Scene and Costume shops and supervised construction of production projects</li> <li>Provided students with hands-on experience in basic techniques of scene painting</li> <li>Worked as Shop Assistant in Scene, Costume and Lighting Shops</li> </ul>	1995-1998
<ul> <li>Stagehand, Aycock Auditorium, UNC - Greensboro, Greensboro, NC</li> <li>Worked load-ins/outs and running crew as assigned for touring productions</li> </ul>	1995-1996
<ul> <li>Student Assistant: Scene Shop, Radford University, Radford, VA</li> <li>Produced scenery and lighting designs for department productions</li> </ul>	1993-1995
<ul> <li>Stagehand, Preston Auditorium, Radford University, Radford, VA</li> <li>Worked load-ins/outs and running crew as assigned for touring productions</li> </ul>	1993-1995
Seasonal Production:	
<ul> <li>Lighting Designer, Community School Arts Festival, Community School, Roanoke, VA</li> <li>Design and execute lighting for annual spring arts festival of one act plays</li> </ul>	Springs 2009-2019
<ul> <li>Technical Director, AmeriCulture Arts Festival, Fitchburg, MA</li> <li>Oversaw production completion and load-ins for four shows in four different venues</li> </ul>	Fall 2000

# EMPLOYMENT HISTORY, CONT.

<ul> <li>Assistant Technical Director/Dock St. Theatre, Spoleto Festival USA, Charleston, SC</li> <li>Served as liaison with festival production office</li> <li>Coordinated with IATSE stage house on production schedules for union staff</li> <li>Supervised production intern and student volunteers</li> </ul>	Summer 2000
<ul> <li>Assistant Scene Designer/Charge Scenic Artist, Flat Rock Playhouse, Flat Rock, NC</li> <li>Assisted scene designer with research, drafting, and props design</li> <li>Painted scenery as lead of team of scenic artists for stock season</li> </ul>	Summers 1998-1999
<ul> <li>Assistant to the Designers/Scenic Artist, Williamstown Theatre Festival, Williamstown, MA</li> <li>Assisted scene designers with research, drafting, and props design</li> <li>Painted scenery as lead of team of scenic artists for stock season</li> </ul>	Summer 1997
<ul> <li>Costume Designer, UNCG Summer Repertory Theatre, Greensboro, NC</li> <li>Designed and executed costumes for stock season</li> </ul>	Summer 1996
<ul> <li>Electrician, Seaside Music Theatre, Daytona Beach, FL</li> <li>Executed technical implementation of lighting designs, and running crew</li> </ul>	Summer 1994
<u>EDUCATION</u>	
MFA - Scenography, UNC - Greensboro, 1995-1998 BS - Theatre, Radford University, 1995	
HONORS AND AWARDS	
<ul> <li>Perry F. Kendig Award, Top Individual Artist in the Greater Roanoke Region</li> <li>High Impact Practices (HIPS) Grant, Radford University         Hands-on props workshop with NYC-based props master and     </li> </ul>	2019 2017
<ul> <li>Radford University Alumna, Faye Armon-Troncosc</li> <li>College of Visual and Performing Arts Grant, Radford University         Design and creation of a new Radford University Department of Dance         Production of The Nutcracker Ballet     </li> </ul>	2015-2016
• Third place, Southeastern Theatre Conference Scenic Design Competition for Cat On a Hot Tin Roof	1998
Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival,	1998
<ul> <li>Region IV, David Weiss Scenic Design Award for The Three Penny Opera</li> <li>Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival,</li> <li>Region IV, David Weiss Scenic Design Award for The Comedy of Errors</li> </ul>	1997
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Excellence in Design Award, UNC-Greensboro Theatre

**National Deans List** 

Theatre Scholarship Award, Department of Theatre and Cinema, Radford University

1996-1997

1994-1995

1995

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

•	Member, United States Institute of Theatre Technology	2016- Present
•	Member, United States Institute of Theatre Technology-SE	2017- Present
•	Member, Southeastern Theatre Conference	1995- Present

## **SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP**

### Radford University:

•	CVPA Representative-at-Large, Faculty Senate	2014-2016
•	University Resource Allocation Committee	2014-2016
•	Participant, University Institutional Effectiveness Day	2015-2018

### **College of Visual and Performing Arts,** Radford University:

•	Theatre Representative, CVPA Curriculum Committee	2016-Present
•	Chair, CVPA Curriculum Committee	2018-2019

# **Department of Theatre and Cinema**, College of Visual and Performing Arts, Radford University:

•	Chair, Theatre Costume Design Faculty Search Committee	2022
•	Chair, Curriculum Committee	2016-Present
•	Member, Department of Theatre and Cinema Assessment Committee	2016-Present
•	Member, Department of Theatre and Cinema Personnel Committee	2018-Present
•	Chair, Theatre Costume Design Faculty Search Committee	2018-2019
•	Member, Department of Theatre and Cinema Chair Search Committee	2018-2019
•	Member, Theatre Assistant Technical Director Search Committee	2013 and2016
•	Chair, Theatre Season Selection and Review Committee	2015-2016
•	Member, Theatre Season Selection and Review Committee	2014-Present
•	Department of Theatre and Cinema Student Recruitment, SETC Convention	2014-Present
•	Academic Advisor	Fall 2014-Present

# **Liberty University Theatre Arts Department:**

• Academic Peer Reviewer, Theatre Design Faculty (Barry Gawinski, Connie Hecker) 2015-2016

## **Professional:**

•	Design Consultant, Roanoke Ballet Theatre	2021
•	Design Consultant, West Virginia Ballet	2017
•	Design Consultant, Tennessee Valley Players	2016
•	Design Consultant, ShaLeigh Dance Works	2016
•	Design Consultant and Project Supervisor, UT Proism Society Dinner, Virginia Tech	2016
•	Technical Consultant, Roanoke Children's Theatre, Roanoke, VA	2008-Present
•	Presenter: Design Southeast, Southeastern Theatre Conference Convention	2008 and 2015

### **SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP, CONT.**

### **Educational:**

• Conference Workshops: Design and Props Crafting, Virginia Thespian Conference	2015
Guest Lecture: Design and Technical Theatre, VWCC Theatre Summer Camp	2011
Guest Lecture: Designing for Regional Theatre, UNC-Greensboro Theatre	2011
Guest Lecture: Design for Playwrights, MFA Playwrighting Program,	
Hollins University	2008
Weekend Workshop: ABCs of Set Design, Mill Mountain Theatre	2005
Mask Making Class, Hollins Summer Program for High School Juniors and Seniors	2004
<ul> <li>Introduction to Stage Makeup Workshop, Charleston Stage Company</li> </ul>	1999
Costume Production Workshop, Florence Little Theatre	1998
• Guest Lecture: Interpreting Cat on a Hot Tin Roof, UNC-Greensboro Theatre	1997
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# **Community:**

•	Design and Production Advisor, Patrick Henry HS Theatre Board, Roanoke, VA	2018
•	Technical consultant, Raleigh Court Presbyterian Church, Roanoke, VA	2010-Present
•	Guest presenter, Virginia Heights Elementary School Career Week, Roanoke, VA	2010-2018

## **DESIGN AND PRODUCTION HISTORY: SPECIAL EVENTS AND EXHIBITS**

### Taubman Museum of Art:

•	ART-Venture Theatre,	2011
	interactive proscenium theatre space in children's art exploration lab	

## Virginia History Museum:

• Log Cabin Installation, interactive classroom 2010

### Blue Ridge PBS:

Kids Fest, replicas of Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood scenic units

# Mill Mountain Theatre:

• Cork and Curtain, Scenery and decor at Hotel Roanoke for Annual Fundraisers 2001-2008

### Virginia Museum of Transportation:

•	Mud to Mobility, Automotive Gallery and Special Exhibit	2005-2006
•	Wanderlust II: Orient Express, Scenery and decor for Annual Fundraiser	2004

## **Virginia Baptist Association:**

• A Country Store, Trade Show Exhibit 2004

# Scene Design:

**Radford University Theatre** 

The Laramie Project Stuart Little The Tragedy of Macbeth Almost Maine The Liar Wonder of the World Alice@ Wonderland Urinetown The Drowsy Chaperone Crimes of the Heart This Is Our Youth Spoon River Anthology

The Nutcracker Ballet Cabaret The Importance of Being Earnest

Twelfth Night Keep This for Me The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe

Clybourne Park Fabulation

Virginia Children's Theatre (Charge Scenic Artist for All Designs)

The Addams Family: A Musical Cinderella: Broadway Version Apologies Madagascar! A Musical Adventure Jack and the Wonderbeans The Fakes

Opera Roanoke (Charge Scenic Artist for All Designs)

Tosca La Boheme South Pacific Susannah La Traviata La Cenerentola

Il Trovatore Carmen The Flying Dutchman

Pirates of Penzance The Magic Flute Julius Caesar

Rossini's Cinderella The Barber of Seville

Mill Mountain Theatre (Charge Scenic Artist for All Designs)

Mamma Mia!The Little Mermaid Jr.The Glass MenagerieFun HomeIn The HeightsLegally Blonde the MusicalThe CakeMillion Dollar QuartetHighschool Musical

West Side Story
Shrek the Musical
Moonlight and Magnolias
A Christmas Story
The Odd Couple
On Golden Pond
Shrek the Musical
A Chorus Line
Smokey Joes Café
White Christmas
Hairspray
Swing

To Kill a Mockingbird Children of Eden The Sound of Music Big River Into the Woods Smoky Joes Café

Seussical the Musical Grease I Love You You're Perfect, Now Change

The Marvelous Wonderettes Greater Tuna Disney's My Son Pinocchio

Tales of the Arabian Nights The Foreigner Frankenstein

Honky Tonk Angels Proof Looking Over the President's Shoulder

Ferdinand the Bull Don't Dress for Dinner It's a Wonderful Life
The Spitfire Grill A Simple Gift Old Woman Flying
The Velveteen Rabbit Driving Miss Daisy Jack and the Wonder Beans

The Complete History of America School House Rock, Live! Gatherings in Graveyards

The Lord of the Flies A Thousand Cranes The Woman Who Amuses Herself

Miss Nelson is Missing Misery Searching for Eden: Diaries of Adam and Eve

The Velveteen Rabbit My Way Tesla's Letters

Rapunzel Art W;t

Cyrano The Czar of Nothingness Medicine, Man
The Christmas Cup God's Man inTexas Fully Committed

Starlight and Showbiz Greetings Mahalia
Annie, Jr. 39 Steps Swing

Roanoke Children's Theatre (Charge Scenic Artist for All Designs)

Schoolhouse Rock Live The BFG The Cat in the Hat

You're a Good Man Charlie Brown Goosebumps the Musical Best Christmas Pageant Ever

The Boy at the Edge of Everything Rapunzel Annie

Seussical the Musical Shrek the Musical James and the Giant Peach
Charlotte's Web Honk! A Year with Frog and Toad
Madeline's Christmas (twice) The Boxcar Children The Secret Life of Girls

Narnia The Giver Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business

Tuck Everlasting Wrecked If You Give a Mouse a Cookie

The Velveteen Rabbit Christmas Cookies Go, Dog, Go!

Pinkalicious: the Musical Stuart Little Junie B. in Jingle Bells, Batman Smells!

Eric and Elliot Cookin' It Cinderella Eats Rice 'n Beans

How I Became a Pirate Annie! The True Story of the Three Little Pigs

# **Barter Theatre (also Charge Scenic Artist)**

I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change

### Studio Roanoke (also Charge Scenic Artist)

Shade of the Trees

### Gainesville Theatre Alliance (also Charge Scenic Artist)

A Servant of Two Masters

Florence Little Theatre (Charge Scenic Artist for All Designs)

Li'l Abner My Fair Lady The Sound of Music
The Diary of Anne Frank Godspell A Christmas Carol
Having Our Say The Honky Tonk Angels Don't Dress for Dinner

Fruit Cakes

Hollins University (Charge Scenic Artist for All Designs)

Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse Ramona Quimby Lyle, Lyle Crocodile

The Little Mermaid Dead Man's Cell Phone A Woman of Independent Means

Virginia Western Community College (Charge Scenic Artist for All Designs)

PicnicBlack ComedyAn Evening of ShawCrimes of the HeartMarvin's RoomAlmost, MaineThe Traveling LadyOver RuledMixed Nuts

# Liberty University (also Charge Scenic Artist)

Carousel

# **UNCG Opera (guest artist)**

Hansel and Gretel

## **UNCG Theatre (guest artist)**

The Waiting Room

# **Fairmont State University (guest artist)**

Wonka, Jr.

## Portage Center for the Arts (also Charge Scenic Artist)

Our Tomorrow

### Roanoke Rescue Mission (also Charge Scenic Artist)

Soup, Soap and Salvation

# **Assistant Scene Design:**

Flat Rock Playhouse (Charge Scenic Artist for All Productions)

*The Last Night of Ballyhoo* Wrong for Each Other Sugar Babies The King and I *Jupiter in July* Sinners

The Will Rogers Follies The Sound of Music The Affections of May Annie Get Your Gun A Perfect Wedding To Kill a Mockingbird

Swingtime Canteen

Williamstown Theatre Festival (Charge Scenic Artist for All Productions)

Broken Sleep La Ronde

**Cape Fear Regional Theatre** 

The Secret Garden

Roanoke Children's Theatre (Charge Scenic Artist for All Productions)

EAT: It's Not About Food Fancy Nancy

**Charge Scenic Art:** 

**Annapolis Opera** 

Rigoletto

Williamstown Theatre Festival

Arms and the Man

Mill Mountain Theatre

The Wizard of Oz Much Ado About Nothing Pirates of Penzance

Barry Manilow's Copacabana Oliver Annie Get Your Gun

Great Expectations The Laramie Project 42nd Street

**UNC-Greensboro** 

The Comedy of Errors The Illusion Cat On a Hot Tin Roof

North Carolina Theatre for Young People

Bambi

**Scenic Art:** 

Charleston Stage Company *Ah, Wilderness!* 

Williamstown Theatre Festival

Johnny On a Spot Dead End Misha's Party

Film Society Stevie Wants to Play the Blues La Ronde

Broken Sleep The Princess Turandot Dreading Thekla

Cape Fear Regional Theatre

The Secret Garden

### **DESIGN AND PRODUCTION HISTORY: THEATRE, CONT. (Scenic Art)**

North Carolina Shakespeare Festival

Globe Works

North Carolina Theatre for Young People

Ramona Quimby Tarheel Tales The Best Christmas Pageant Ever

Mr. A's Amazing Maze Plays Jack and the Wonder Beans

**UNC-Greensboro** 

Driving Around the House

**Radford University** 

All's Well That Ends Well The Fantasticks The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe

Clinch Valley College

Godspell

**Set Dressing:** 

**Charleston Stage Company** 

The Last Night of Ballyhoo

**Props Master/Artisan:** 

**UNC-Greensboro** 

The Illusion Antigone The Yellow Boat

**Radford University** 

Galileo

**Master Carpentry:** 

**Radford University** 

The Fantasticks The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe

Carpentry:

**UNC-Greensboro** 

Tarheel Tales Point of Order Three Sisters

The Illusion Marriage of Figaro The Comedy of Errors

Cat On a Hot Tin Roof

**Radford University** 

The Man Who Came to Dinner Galileo

**Costume Design:** 

Mill Mountain Theatre

Hamlet Always, Patsy Cline Joseph ... Technicolor Dreamcoat

Death of a Salesman Beauty and the Beast Misery A Christmas Carol Alexander's...Bad Day I Do, I Do

Art Proof

The Jungle Book Fully Committed Searching for Eden: Diaries of Adam and Eve

Hank Williams' Lost Highway *Idols of the King* 

**Hollins University** 

The Children's Hour

**UNC-Greensboro Summer Rep** 

Blithe Spirit

**Assistant Costume Design:** 

**UNC-Greensboro** 

The Cocoanuts *The Who's Tommy* Curse of the Starving Class

Wardrobe Supervision:

**UNC-Greensboro Summer Rep** 

Ravenscroft

**UNC-Greensboro** 

Phantom!

**Costume Construction:** 

**UNC-Greensboro Summer Rep** 

Ravenscroft Young Black Beauty The Complete Works of Shakespeare

Oleanna Blithe Spirit

**UNC-Greensboro** 

Equus Six Characters in Search of an Author Phantom!

Our Town The Cocoanuts The Curse of the Starving Class

North Carolina Theatre for Young People

Kringle's Window Tarheel Tales

Mr. A's Amazing Maze Plays The Ice Wolf Bambi

**Radford University** 

Galileo

# **Lighting Design:**

**Radford University Theatre** 

Crimes of the Heart Dog Sees God Cabaret

Mill Mountain Theatre

My Way The Laramie Project Rapunzel
The North Star Art Pocahontas

Elvis People Driving Miss Daisy W;t

Proof Tesla's Letters The Honky Tonk Angels

And Then They Came for Me A Thousand Cranes Looking Over the President's Shoulder Cyrano The Jungle Book Jack and the Wonder Beans

Cyrano The Jungle Book Jack and the Wond The Woman Who Amuses Herself Old Woman Flying Medicine, Man

School House Rock, Live! God's Man in Texas The Complete History of America

Gatherings in Graveyards The Velveteen Rabbit Greetings

Frankenstein Miss Nelson is Missing Don't Dress for Dinner
Fully Committed Lord of the Flies Alexander's...Bad Day
The Stinky Cheese Man Driving Miss Daisy Every Brilliant Thing

Roanoke Children's Theatre

Charlotte's Web Honk! A Year with Frog and Toad

The Boxcar Children The Secret Life of Girls Stuart Little

Narnia The Giver Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business

Tuck Everlasting Wrecked If You Give a Mouse a Cookie

The Velveteen Rabbit Christmas Cookies Go, Dog, Go!

Pinkalicious: the Musical Eric and Elliot Junie B. in Jingle Bells, Batman Smells!

The Real Story of the Three Little Pigs

**Gainesville Theatre Alliance** 

The Last Night of Ballyhoo

Florence Little Theatre

Li'l AbnerMy Fair LadyThe Sound of MusicThe Diary of Anne FrankGodspellA Christmas CarolHaving Our SayThe Honky Tonk AngelsDon't Dress for Dinner

Fruit Cakes

**Hollins University** 

Six Women with Brain Death

Virginia Western Community College

PicnicBlack ComedyAn Evening of ShawCrimes of the HeartMarvin's RoomAlmost, MaineThe Traveling LadyOver RuledMixed Nuts

Florence Ballet Company

The Nutcracker

**Assistant Lighting Design:** 

**UNC-Greensboro** 

La Boheme

## **Master Electrics:**

# North Carolina Theatre for Young People

Ramona Quimby

Radford University
Tarheel Tales

Night Must Fall Ghost Sonata

Love Letters

**Electrics:** 

**Seaside Music Theatre** 

West Side Story A Chorus Line Noel and Gertie Alice Robin Hood Follies

**Radford University** *The Man Who Came to Dinner*