

Michelle Mazzarella

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Professional Summary

Michelle is a choreographer, aerialist, dancer, producer, director, educator, and lifelong learner of her many crafts. She is a dedicated team player with a strong foundation in choreographing musical theatre, multi-disciplinary aerial performance, Cyr wheel, partner acrobatics, act creation and consultation, ballet, tap, jazz, contemporary, hip hop, and pointe for both stage and screen. She encourages her dance, theatre, and circus performers to discover their potential by challenging themselves, all while cultivating a safe and supportive learning environment, and professional level products.

Core Qualifications

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| • Experienced in working with all ages, including adults | • Office/Receptionist experience | • Excellent Time Management and Communication Skills |
| • Works in a variety of environments (camps, studios, guest artist, formal theatres, residencies) | • Extensive Touring and Corporate Performance experience (contact for applicable resume) | • Proficient in Music and Video Production/Editing |
| • Completed Nimble Arts Foundations Level Aerial Teacher Training | • Double Bachelors Degrees and Minor from UCLA | • Experienced in Stage Management and Technical Theatre |
| • Apprentice under Disney choreographer, Katisha Adams | • Microsoft Office and Google Suite Proficient | • Nationally recognized member of the Gamma Phi Beta Panhellenic Sorority |

Awards and Achievements

- Completed Foundations Level Aerial Teacher Training through Nimble Arts (Brattleboro, VT)
- UCLA Dean's List Honoree
- First and only student choreographer for Brentwood College School's Musical Production (*In the Heights*)
- LA Unbound Choreographer's Scholarship
- Joyce Maclean Cup for Choreography (Two-Time Recipient)
- T. Gil Bunch Cup for the Arts, Scholarship, Leadership, and Citizenship
- Clyde Olgilvie Performing Arts Bursary and Scholarship
- "Best Choreography" at JUMP Dance, NYCDA, Onstage NY, Core Dance, and Cowichan Arts Festival
- Old Brentonians Rose Bowl for Dance (Three-Time Recipient)
- Earnshaw Trophy for the Performing Arts
- Multi-Year Dance Captain, and Musical Theatre Dance Captain
- Victor Anderson Memorial Award for Citizenship
- High Honors with Distinction in Musical Theatre, Dance and Choreography (Four-Time Recipient)
- High Honors with Distinction in Academics (Four-Time Recipient)
- Judge for the Miss America Organization
- Distinction Award in Ballet (Royal Acad. of Dance) and Modern (Imperial Society of Teachers of Dance)
- Brentwood College Marketing Departmental Award (Highest Grade in the Marketing Dep.)

Education and Training

University of California, Los Angeles

Los Angeles, CA

- Bachelor of Arts in Dance, Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, Minor in Education Studies, Deans List Honoree

Brentwood College School

Mill Bay, BC

- High school diploma, Student Executive Committee, Captain of Dance, Musical Theatre, and Allard House (Dorm)

New England Center for Circus Arts

Brattleboro, VT

- ProTrack Training Program 2022 Graduate, Invented Apparatus, Cyr Wheel, Aerial Fabric, Flying Trapeze

Nimble Arts

Brattleboro, VT

- Foundations Level Aerial Teacher Training (Aerial Fabric and Static Trapeze)

Choreographic Experience

Theatre:

Into the Woods
The Drowsy Chaperone
Outsiders, Misfits and Dreamers
Brigadoon
Openings, Closings, and What's Inside
James and the Giant Peach Jr.
Once on this Island Jr.
Disney's Aladdin Jr.
In the Heights
UCLA Spring Sing
Artistic/Production Intern
Young Frankenstein
Disney's The Little Mermaid Jr.

Interlochen Center for the Arts
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Interlochen Center for the Arts
Interlochen Center for the Arts
San Juan Community Theatre
San Juan Community Theatre
San Juan Community Theatre
Brentwood College School
UCLA Student Alumni Association
San Juan Community Theatre
Old Town Playhouse
Old Town Playhouse

Interlochen, MI
Interlochen, MI
Interlochen, MI
Interlochen, MI
Interlochen, MI
Friday Harbor, WA
Friday Harbor, WA
Friday Harbor, WA
Mill Bay, BC, Canada
Los Angeles, CA
Friday Harbor, WA
Traverse City, MI
Traverse City, MI

Dance:

40th BC Summer Games Opening Ceremony
SOL
WACsmash
Yes to Bodies
LA Unbound Fall Showcase
Disney Performing Arts
Guest Choreographer
Guest Choreographer
Guest Choreographer
Guest Choreographer
Guest Choreographer
Guest Choreographer
FAST Fashion Show
UCLA Basketball Halftime Entertainment

BC Games Society
ICARUS Contemporary Dance Company
UCLA World Arts and Cultures/Dance Dep.
UCLA World Arts and Cultures/Dance Dep.
LA Unbound
Steps Ahead Dance Studio
Dance Arts Academy
Steps Ahead Dance Studio
Brentwood College School
MNR Dance Factory
Fancy Feet Dance Studio
Cowichan Dance Collective
UCLA Fashion and Student Trends
UCLA Athletics

BC, Canada
Los Angeles, CA
Los Angeles, CA
Los Angeles, CA
Friday Harbor, WA
Los Angeles, CA
Traverse City, MI
Mill Bay, BC, Canada
Mill Bay, BC, Canada
Los Angeles, CA
Los Angeles, CA
Duncan, BC, Canada
Los Angeles, CA
Los Angeles, CA

Film:

Trance Formation Music Video
Lullabies (Adventure Club Remix)
The Greatest
Colors Pt. II
22 (Over Soon)
My Own
Gatorade, Keep It G

Flood Your System
ICARUS Contemporary Dance Co.
ICARUS Contemporary Dance Co.
ICARUS Contemporary Dance Co.
Independent
Independent
Lenix Productions

Samuel Han
Colin Hwang
Colin Hwang
Jason Correa
Samuel Han
Colin Hwang
Elena Santulli

Direction/Production:

Magic Consultant/Rehearsal Assistant
 Artistic Advisor and Presentations Panelist
 Sound
 Producer
 Artistic Director
 Director
 Director/Writer/Choreographer
 Stage Manager
 Stage Crew
 Director's Assistant

Champions of Magic
 New England Center for Circus Arts
 NECCA: Circus Spectacular
Yes to Bodies
 ICARUS Contemporary Dance Co.
 Foundations Choreography
 UCLA Spring Sing
Black Girl Linguistic Play
Annie
 Q.K. Entertainment LLC

North American Tour
 Brattleboro, VT
 Brattleboro, VT
 Los Angeles, CA
 Los Angeles, CA
 Los Angeles, CA
 Los Angeles, CA
 Friday Harbor, WA
 Traverse City, MI
 Los Angeles, CA

Teaching Experience

New England Center for Circus Arts
 The Putney School
 Starfish Circus
 Brattleboro School of Dance
 Sobo Studio
 Dance Arts Acad./Company Dance Traverse
 Interlochen Center for the Arts
 Water's Edge Gymnastics
 Edge Aerial Arts
 Old Town Playhouse
 ICARUS Contemporary Dance Co.
 University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)
 Steps Ahead Dance
 Brentwood College School
 LA Unbound
 Foundations Choreography
 Cowichan Dance Collective
 San Juan Community Theatre
 MNR Dance Factory
 Dance Workshop II
 Salish Sea Ballet
 XYZ Movement Arts Center
 San Juan Island Parks and Rec
 Fancy Feet Dance Studio

Int. Youth Troupe Dance Instructor
 Adjunct Dance Faculty, Hip Hop
 Camp Coach and Booking Coordinator
 Substitute Teacher, Modern, Ballet, Hip Hop
 Substitute Teacher, Hip Hop
 Full-Time Teacher, All Styles and Ages
 Aerial Coach, Musical Theatre Choreographer
 Coach, Preschool Gymnastics
 Coach, Youth Aerial Arts (Silks, Lyra, Sling)
 Choreographer and Youth Co. Choreographer
 Artistic Director, Choreographer, Co. Member
 Substitute Teacher, Ballet
 Guest Choreographer, Master Teacher
 Substitute, Dance Captain, Guest Artist
 Choreographer, Instructor
 Director, Choreographer, Instructor
 Guest Choreographer/Instructor
 Youth Co. Choreographer/Instructor
 Teacher, Hip Hop, Jazz
 Master Teacher, Contemporary
 Substitute Teacher, Ballet
 Master Teacher, Contemporary
 Hip Hop Dance Camp Director/Teacher
 Youth Teacher/Teaching Assistant

Brattleboro, VT
 Putney, VT
 Kalamazoo, MI (Touring)
 Brattleboro, VT
 Brattleboro, VT
 Traverse City, MI
 Traverse City, MI
 Traverse City, MI
 Traverse City, MI
 Traverse City, MI
 Los Angeles, CA
 Los Angeles, CA
 Mill Bay, B.C., Canada
 Mill Bay, B.C., Canada
 Los Angeles, CA
 Los Angeles, CA
 Duncan, B.C., Canada
 Friday Harbor, WA
 Los Angeles, CA
 Friday Harbor, WA
 Friday Harbor, WA
 Friday Harbor, WA
 Friday Harbor, WA
 Los Angeles, CA

Performance Experience

Film:

¡Tu Sí Que Vales!
Penn & Teller's Fool Us
Riven
Pretty Boys
Trance Formation
Lullabies (Adventure Club Remix)
Colors Pt. II
22 (Over Soon)
My Own
Gatorade, Keep It G
1 Hand Clap
The Happy Song

Illusion Assistant
 Illusion Assistant
 Ballet Dancer
 Dancer
 Lead Dancer (Frog)
 ICARUS Contemporary Dance Co.
 ICARUS Contemporary Dance Co.
 Solo Dancer
 Solo Dancer
 Solo Dancer
 Dancer
 Dancer

Mediaset, Rome, Italy
 117 Productions, Las Vegas
 Sundance Film Festival
 Todrick Hall
 Sam Han, Flood Your System
 Colin Hwang, Semicolin Prod.
 Jason Correa
 Samuel Han
 Colin Hwang, Semicolin Prod.
 Elena Santulli, Lenix Prod.
 Hip Hop XYZ
 The Mother Company

Stage/Theatre:

Hydro Surge, SeaWorld Orlando
 Super American Circus, Aloha Tour
Champions of Magic
Delusionists
Freakshow Part 1
Aureum
Random Acts of Kindness
Animalia
Through the Cracks
La Prairie des Talons
 NEXUS – Virtual Show
 11th Anniversary Sideshow
 Grand Rapids Library Series
The Nutcracker Ballet
In the Heights
Phantom of the Opera
Les Miserables
LA Unbound
 SOL
 WACsmash
 Yes to Bodies
 RAWartists Festival

Cyr wheel, Aerial Silks, Lyra, Bungee
 Cyr Wheel, Spanish Web, Dance
 Aerialist and Illusionist Assistant
 Aerialist and Illusionist Assistant
 Burlesque (Chair), Lollipop Lyra
 The White Queen, Aerial Silks, Lyra
 Cyr Wheel, Trapeze Sling, Juggling
 Dance Trapeze, Silks, Dance
 Cyr Wheel, Dance
 Cyr Wheel, Partner Acrobatics
 Trapeze Sling, Cyr, Dance, Juggling
 Ambient Aerial Sling and Lyra
 Solos: Aerial Silks, Lyra, and Sling
 Clara's Mother
 Dance Captain, Yolanda, Ensemble
 Dance Captain, Corps de Ballet
 Dance Captain, Ensemble
 Dancer, Choreographer
 Dancer, Choreographer, Director
 Dancer, Producer
 Dancer, Producer
 Dancer

WeFlip Entertainment
 Tuffy Nicholas
 Rip Productions (Touring)
 Young & Strange (Touring)
 Burning Roses Burlesque
 Halcyon Shows (Touring)
 Caroline Calouche & Co.
 Caroline Calouche & Co.
 American Dance Festival
 NECCA, Dir. Paúl Gomex
 NECCA, Dlr. Elsie Smith
 Right Brain Brewery
 Bangarang Circus
 Company Dance Traverse
 Brentwood College School
 Brentwood College School
 Brentwood College School
 LA Unbound
 ICARUS Contemporary
 UCLA WAC/Dance Dept.
 UCLA WAC/Dance Dept.
 TheCRayProject

Corporate:

Boston Circus Guild
 Westchester Circus Arts
 Halcyon Productions
 SHOW Circus
 Bangarang Circus
 Halftime Entertainment

Feature: Cyr Wheel
 Feature: Aerial Silks, Cyr Wheel
 Feature: Cyr Wheel, Aerial Silks
 Feature: Aerial Sling
 Feature: Aerial Sling, Aerial Silks, Lyra
 Dancer, Choreographer

Ambient: Cyr Wheel
 Ambient: Lyra
 Ambient: Aerial Silks, Lyra
 Ambient: Juggling
 Ambient: None
 UCLA Men's Basketball

Primary References

Elsie Smith
 Serenity Smith-Forchion
 Lorraine Blake
 Zach Miller
 Csaba Szilagyi
 Richard Young
 Sam Strange
 Stacy Clark
 Sandra Feusi
 Chris Gatti
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 Employer (Dance and Circus)
 Mentor