

Michelle Mazzarella

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Professional Summary

Michelle is a choreographer, dancer, producer, director, and teacher seeking employment in the dance and entertainment industries. She has extensive experience in the aforementioned fields, and is a lifelong learner of her craft. Michelle takes joy in inspiring her audiences and performers alike, and is a dedicated team player with a strong foundation in choreographing musical theatre, aerial arts, ballet, tap, jazz, modern, hip hop, pointe, and contemporary styles for both stage and screen.

Core Qualifications

- Experienced in working with all ages, including adult learners
- Works in a variety of environments (camps, studios, guest artist, theatres, etc.)
- Apprentice under Disney choreographer, Katisha Adams
- Office assistant experience
- Performance experience (contact for performance resume)
- Double Bachelors Degrees and Minor from UCLA
- CPR and First Aid Certified
- Microsoft Office and Google Suite Proficient
- Excellent Time Management
- Proficient in Music and Video Production/Editing
- Experienced in Stage Management and Technical Theatre
- Nationally recognized member of the Gamma Phi Beta Panhellenic Sorority

Awards and Achievements

- 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 Olgilve Performing Arts Bursary and Scholarship
- "Best Choreographer" at Core Dance Competition
- "Best Choreographer" at Cowichan Arts Festival
- Old Brentonians Rose Bowl for Dance (Three-Time Recipient)
- Earnshaw Trophy for the Performing Arts
- Two-Year Dance Captain
- Musical Theatre Dance Captain (*In The Heights*)
- 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 Awards in Ballet (Royal Academy of Dance)
- Distinction Awards in Modern (Imperial Society of Teachers of Dance)
- Brentwood College Psychology Departmental Award (Highest Grade in the Psychology Dep.)
- 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)

Choreographic Experience

Theatre:

Brigadoon

Openings, Closings, and What's Inside

Song and Dance Through the Ages

James and the Giant Peach Jr.

Once on this Island Jr.

Disney's Aladdin Jr.

Disney's The Little Mermaid Jr.

In the Heights

UCLA Spring Sing

Artistic/Production Intern

Young Frankenstein

Interlochen Center for the Arts

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San Juan Community Theatre

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Brentwood College School

UCLA Student Alumni Association

San Juan Community Theatre

Old Town Playhouse

Interlochen, MI

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Friday Harbor, WA

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Mill Bay, BC, Canada

Los Angeles, CA

Friday Harbor, WA

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.

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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.

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ICARUS Contemporary Dance Co.

Independent

Independent

Lenix Productions

Samuel Han

Colin Hwang

Colin Hwang

Jason Correa

Samuel Han

Colin Hwang

Elena Santulli

Direction/Production:

Producer

Artistic Director

Director

Director/Writer/Choreographer

Stage Manager

Stage Crew

Director's Assistant

Yes to Bodies

ICARUS Contemporary Dance Co.

Foundations Choreography

UCLA Spring Sing

Black Girl Linguistic Play

Annie

Q.K. Entertainment LLC

Los Angeles, CA

Los Angeles, CA

Los Angeles, CA

Los Angeles, CA

Friday Harbor, WA

Traverse City, MI

Los Angeles, CA