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Professional Contracts

Sawdon Dance Production – Winnipeg, MB – (May 2020 Shows Postponed due to Covid)	New Dates TBD
Don me now – 2 nd Creation Phase – Choreographer Darryl Tracy – (Mar 2020 Postponed – Covid) – New creation for Sawdon Dance – 1 st Creation Phase – Winnipeg, MB	New Dates TBD Dec 2018
One Two Step – Wild Purple Productions – Winnipeg, MB	Jan 2020
Ma Mere l'Oye – Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra & Odette Heyn-Projects – Winnipeg, MB	May 2019
The Mariachi Ghost – <i>Festival du Voyager</i> – Winnipeg, MB – <i>Western Canadian Tour</i> – Edmonton, Banff, Nelson, Vancouver, Kelowna – <i>Saskatchewan Tour</i> – Regina, Saskatoon, SK	Feb 2019 Oct 2018 Mar 2016
Benched – Nafro Dance Productions – Choreographer – Odette Heyn – Winnipeg, MB – Awasis Child Family Service – Conference for Grief & Loss – Lac Brochet, MB	Nov 2017 Mar 2015
CLEaR Forum – Mocean Dance – Canning, NS Director – Sara Coffin	May 2017
Firebird – Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra & Odette Heyn-Projects – Winnipeg, MB Choreographer – Odette Heyn	Feb 2017
Choreographic Research Lab – Company Link – Director – Tom Stroud – Winnipeg, MB Choreographers – Ali Robson, Janelle Hacault & Brenda McLean	Aug 2016
Kismet - The Little Opera Company & Odette Heyn-Projects – Winnipeg, MB Choreographer – Odette Heyn	May 2016
Bridled – Winnipeg's Contemporary Dancers - WCD Dinner & Dance – Choreographer – Brent Lott – Carol Shields Festival of New Works – Winnipeg, MB	Apr 2015 May 2014
Fabulous Beast – Expanse Festival – Edmonton, AB – Choreographer – Davida Monk	Mar 2015
Surfacing – in <i>Convergence 2014</i> presented by Good Women Dance Collective – Edmonton, AB Choreographer – Constance Cooke	Nov 2014
Sawdon Dance presents: Surfacing – A Debut Solo Production – Winnipeg, MB Featuring a collection of new works Choreographers – Constance Cooke, Odette Heyn, Brent Lott & Davida Monk Director / Producer / Dancer - Rebecca Sawdon – Lighting & Production – Jaymez	Oct 2014
Gallop – Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra & Odette Heyn-Projects – Winnipeg / Brandon, MB Choreographer – Odette Heyn – 10 Show Tour Series	Mar – May 2014
Verge – Winnipeg's Contemporary Dancers – Winnipeg, MB – Choreographer – Brent Lott	2011 – 2013
Rite of Spring – Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra & Odette Heyn-Projects – Winnipeg, MB Choreographer – Odette Heyn	Oct 2012 Jun 2010
Horse Dance 2 – New Dance Horizons – Regina, SK Choreographer – Robin Poitras / Performance at MacKenzie Art Gallery	Mar 2012
Amahl and the Night Visitors – Little Opera Company & Odette Heyn-Projects – Winnipeg, MB Choreographer – Odette Heyn	Dec 2011
La noche de los Mayas – Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra & Odette Heyn-Projects – Winnipeg, MB Choreographer – Odette Heyn	Oct 2011
The Land Quartet – Apprenticeship with M-Body – Calgary, AB Choreographer – Davida Monk	May – Jul 2011 Jun – Aug 2010

Choreographic Work / Residencies

Heart Stone – Choreographer/Dancer (May 2020 Premiere Postponed – Covid. New Date TBA)	Work In Progress
Journey Home Artist Retreat – Creative Healing, Energy Work & Soapstone Carving	May 2021
Constance Cooke Residency – Private Mentorship – Victoria, BC	Dec 2019
The Mariachi Ghost – Guest Choreographic Collaborator Various Shows and locations across MB, SK, AB and BC	2012 – 2019
Riding Mountain National Park Residency – Riding Mountain National Park, MB	Aug 2018
DJD Dance Centre Residency – Calgary, AB	Apr 2018
GWDC Residency – Good Women Dance Collective – Edmonton, AB	Dec 2017
Self-Directed Residency – Choreographic Research – Berlin, Germany	Aug 2017
Nes Artist Residency – One Month Choreographic Research Residency – Skagaströnd, Iceland	Jul 2017
Silver – Commissioned & Presented by ASOD (5 shows) Choreographer/Dancer – Rebecca Sawdon – Various Venues in Winnipeg/Brandon/Gillam, MB	Jun – Nov 2015
Submerged – Duet created for Young Lungs Dance Exchange Choreographer/Dancer – Rebecca Sawdon – Winnipeg, MB	Apr 2012
Cluster Fest – Hired by Central Canadian Center for Performance – Winnipeg, MB Choreographic Collaborator/Dancer – Rebecca Sawdon / Collaborator – Jaymez	Mar 2011
Jedem Das Seine – A choreographic study with Mentor Odette Heyn	2010

Education & Professional Training

Open Professional Classes – WCD, SCD, Nafro Dance, M-body, GWDC, NDH, D. Tracy	2010 – Present
Bachelor of Arts Honours Degree in Dance – University of Winnipeg	May 2011
The Senior Professional Program of the School of Contemporary Dancers (SCD) Winnipeg, MB – Graduated (Four-Year Diploma)	May 2010

Awards / Grants

The Winnipeg Arts Council	
Professional Development Grant (X2)	Jul 2021 / Jul 2017
Individual Artist Grant Program (X3)	Dec 2019 / May 2018 / Nov 2013
Manitoba Arts Council	
Travel and Personal Development (X4)	Nov 2020 / Dec 2019 / May 2017 / Nov 2013
Production Funding Award	Jun 2019
Riding Mountain National Park Residency	Aug 2018
Creation Funding Award	Nov 2017
Iceland Performing Arts Residency	Jul 2017
Creation and Production	Nov 2013
Canada Council for the Arts	
Concept to Realization	Aug 2020
Explore and Create Professional Development	Sept 2017
Grants to Dance Professionals	Aug 2012
DJD Dance Centre Residency	May 2018
Good Women Dance Collective Residency	Dec 2017
Alberta Foundation for the Arts	
Individual Dance Project Grant – Training & Career Development (X3)	2009 – 2012
Gold Medal Award – Top Marks in University of Winnipeg – Faculty of Dance	Jun 2011

Teaching / Rehearsal Direction / Community Engagement

Sawdon Dance Presents <i>Professional Master Classes with Darryl Tracy</i> – Mar 2020 Postponed	New Dates TBD
Sawdon Dance Presents <i>Professional Master Classes with Darryl Tracy</i> – Winnipeg, MB	Dec 2018
Odette Heyn-Projects w Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra – <i>Rite of Spring</i> – Rehearsal Direction	Oct 2018
Manitoba Arts Council's - <i>Artists In The Schools Directory</i> – <i>Creative Contemporary Movers</i>	2016 – Present
Varied contemporary dance programming developed and taught by Rebecca Sawdon Available for kindergarten to grade 12 students in urban and rural MB schools 15 weeks of residency per school year (Currently Postponed due to the Covid Pandemic)	
St. James-Assiniboia School Division - <i>The Integrated Arts Program</i> – Artist Educator	2015 – Present
Delivering curricular content through dance and movement to students Training for school teachers on how to implement movement-based lesson plans (Currently Postponed due to the Covid Pandemic)	
Sawdon Dance Presents <i>Contemporary Class at Nes Artist Residency</i> – Skagatrönd, Iceland	Jul 2017
The Senior Professional Program of the School of Contemporary Dancers – Rehearsal Assistant	
<i>Lily Drake / Rite of Spring</i>	2019
<i>Firebird</i>	2017
<i>School Tour Demo</i>	2016
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Odette Heyn-Projects with Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra – <i>Rodeo</i> – Rehearsal Direction	Jan 2016
Aboriginal School of Dance (ASOD)	Jan 2015 – May 2016
Contemporary and Powwow Dance Educator, Choreographer and Rehearsal Director, Community Outreach, Event Facilitator - Winnipeg, MB	
Manitoba Arts Council's – <i>Artists In The Schools Directory</i> – Powwow Programming	Sept 2015 – Jun 2016
Hired by ASOD - Powwow / Hoop Dance Teacher / Choreographer Available for kindergarten to grade 12 students in urban and rural MB schools 15 weeks of residency per school year	

International / Additional Training

Merrithew Stott Pilates – Intensive Reformer Course – Winnipeg, MB	Oct – Nov 2021
Gaga Intensive 2017 – Moncalvo, Italy	Sept 2017
Arts and Cultural Industries Manitoba – ozhitoon jii-miigiweng (to create and share)	Feb 2017
Artist Educator Program - Teaching Through Indigenous Perspectives – Winnipeg, MB	
Arts and Cultural Industries Manitoba –AYMC – Winnipeg, MB	Apr – May 2016
A business course for artists lead by Heather Bishop	
Buffy Handel / ASOD – Teacher Training in Powwow – Winnipeg, MB	Jan 2015 – May 2016
ImPuls Tanz (International Dance Festival) – Vienna, Austria	Jul – Aug 2012
Decidedly Jazz Danceworks – Jazz Immersion Intensive – Calgary, AB	Jul 2009
Peggy Baker Dance Projects' August Intensive – Toronto, ON	Aug 2008
The School of Toronto Dance Theatre - Summer Intensive – Toronto, ON	Jul 2005
Ballet Arts Centre Ltd – Royal Academy of Dance Examinations – Calgary, AB	1990 – 2010
Advanced One	2005
Grade Eight Award	2001
Intermediate	2000