BRITTNEY S. HARRIS

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EDUCATION

2015-2018 University of Georgia: Athens, GA

Master of Fine Arts in Acting

2008-2011 Old Dominion University: Norfolk, VA.

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Acting, Minor in Communications

Trainings

Community Engagement Theater Intensive, Cornerstone Theatre Co. Los Angeles, CA.

EXPERIENCE

2019-present Old Dominion University, Department of Communication and Theatre Arts

— Assistant Professor of Theatre (7/2020-Present)

— Visiting Assistant Professor: Theatre (8/2019-7/2020)

2018-2019 Virginia Tech, Department of Theatre and Cinema Studies

Post-MFA Teaching Fellow

2015-2018 University of Georgia, Department of Theatre and Film Studies

— Instructor

COURSE INSTRUCTION

Old Dominion University

COMM/THEA 495 Special Topics: Solo Performance/ Art of Solo (Created New Course)
COMM/THEA 495 Special Topics: Comm, Performance, & Activism (Created New Course)

DANC/THEA 152R Acting One

THEA 241A The Theatre Experience THEA 320 Auditioning Technique

Virginia Tech

TA 2024 Introduction to Acting

TA 2404 Intro to Applied Collaborative Tech (I-ACT) (Created New Course)

University of Georgia

THEA 2010 Acting for Non-Majors THEA 2000 Theatre Appreciation

UNIV 1201S Learning for Success at the University
THEA 7710S Community-Based Theatre (Asst. Instructor)

AFAM/THEA 4480 History of African American Drama and Theatre (Asst. Instructor)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Research/Arts-based

Nov. 2021	Finalist for 2021 National 'The Breath Project' Festival, Official Selection for <i>Pedigree</i>		
2021	Red Clay Play, Inaugural Southern Black Playwrights Forum 2021: MOJOAA Performing Arts Company, Official Selection for <i>How to Tie a Tie</i>		
2020	Robert C. Anderson Memorial Award in Post- Graduate Research Accomplishment <i>Recipient</i> , University of Georgia		
	Firecracker Productions, 5 Minute Play Virtual Project, Houston, TX. 1 st Official Selection for <i>Pedigree</i>		
2019	Fade to Black Play Fest, 10 Minute Play Competition 2019, Official Selection for <i>The Amazing Jason</i>		
2018	August Staub Graduate Student Award in Theatre Recipient, University of Georgia		
	Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival, National Short Play Award Honorable Mention for How to Tie a Tie		
	Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival, Region IV National John L. Caubel Short Play Award, <i>Ist Place Winner</i> for <i>How to Tie a Tie</i>		
2017	Performance Studies Institute at Northwestern University: Narrative, Beauty, and Improvisation, <i>nationally selected participant/performer</i>		
Service-bas 2021	ed African American Creative Community Series (AACCS), Norfolk Public Library Recipient		
	2021 John R. Broderick Diversity Champion Award, Recipient		
2017- 2018	Graduate Emerging Leader, University of Georgia		

PUBLICATIONS

Books and digital files

Harris, Brittney. Best Women's Monologues 2021 Anthology: "How to Tie a Tie". Smith & Kraus Publishers, Hanover, NH. 2021.

APPLIED CREATIVE SCHOLARSHIP: DIRECTOR

09/2021- INTIMATE APPAREL

11/2021 **Director**

ODU Rep/Old Dominion University

Presented as part of the mainstage performance season for the Theatre program at Old Dominion University.

6-week rehearsal process, regulated by COVID-19 protocols and restrictions. From my director statement 'our redefining of Nottage's breathtaking text aims to comb out the desires within and expose them at their seams. Our production is a patchwork quilt of woven narratives stitched together over time through the themes of gender, race and class, and religion. We seek to open a space within which to examine, through a different lens, the silhouettes of the "history of the present" and its complicated tensions wrought of contradictory desires.

05/2021- THE HIDDEN HISTORY: THE BANJO, A CELEBRATION OF JUNETEENTH

06/2021 Director, Project Concept

Zeiders American Dream Theater

A devised/new play development. Presented as part of the City of Virginia Beach Cultural Affairs to re-launch their Globally-Inspired Gatherings summer season. The "Hidden History: The Banjo" will premiered as a celebratory piece about Juneteenth as a salute to freedom through expression and creativity. This performance includes an array of music, dance, and spoken word poetry from talented local artists, devised over the span of 4 weeks.

09/2020- SYMPTOMATIC: IRL

11/2020 Director, Playwright, Project Concept

ODU Rep/Old Dominion University

A devised/new play development. Presented as part of the mainstage performance season for the Theatre program at Old Dominion University. *Symptomatic: IRL* centers on embodying the psychological dilemma and chaos of the COVID-19 pandemic and national regulations. This show intends to amplify the complex narrative that embraces the absurd contradictions of the COVID-19 and its diagnoses/treatments and its adverse effects on our social lives and livelihoods.

02/2020 ECHOES: TRANSCENDING THROUGH STORY

Director, Playwright, Project Concept

ODU Rep/Old Dominion University

A devised/new play development. Presented as part of the mainstage performance season for the Theatre program at Old Dominion University. *Echoes* centered on deliberately targeted the generational echoes of caution and criticism that ring in every woman's ears: that "mother within" whose cautions and criticism benefit only their oppressors.

The performance had community outreach elements including a panel discussion titled 'Young Women Talking Change the World: Telling Stories to ignite Social Change.'

11/2016 THE SHAPE OF THINGS

Director

University of Georgia

Presented as part of the studio stage season for the Theatre program at University of Georgia.

04/2016 BEAUTY UNCHAINED

Director, Playwright, Project Concept

University of Georgia

Devised/New Play development. main preface for the project was to embody the essence of Black Theater, script development, devised over the course of the Spring 2016 semester at University of Georgia.

APPLIED CREATIVE SCHOLARSHIP: RESEARCH/CREATIVE CONTENT CONTRIBUTOR

12/2021- The In[HEIR]itance Project: Exodus Coastal Virginia

Present Creative Content for Devised Theater, In-field Research Contributor

Project Overview: an examination of the history and lived experiences of the people of Hampton Roads in relationship to the themes and narrative of the book of Exodus. A final play will premiere at the Virginia Arts Festival in 2022.

Project website: www.inheiritance.org

07/2021 WHOLE HUMAN/ I AM BEAUTIFUL: 'Ur Roots Amplified' extended project

Creative Content Development Lead,

Community Engagement Project with Dept. of Communication and Theatre Arts at Old Dominion University, Teens with a Purpose

Summer-based creative applied theatre performative project; performance locations: project incorporated visual art, spoken word poetry, cultural dance, and audio recordings of 3 primary subjects highlighting the 'whole human' and their journey through life in Tidewater Gardens.

06/2021 THE HIDDEN HISTORY: THE BANJO, A Celebration of Juneteenth

Project Lead, Project Consultant, Creative Content Development Lead

Creative performative project in script development and performance creation partnering with Zeiders American Dream Theater, City of VA Beach Cultural Affairs, VB GIGS, Teens with a Purpose, and Tidewater African Cultural Alliance.

03/2021 INTERSECTIONS OF RACE AND GENDER JUSTICE: A Performative Discourse

Project Consultant, Creative Content Development Lead

Contributed Augusto Boal's *Theatre of the Oppressed* methodology of 'Image Theatre' and Cornerstone Theater Company's 'community-based collaboration technique' for an interactive theatrical exploration of space, time, and body in response to attacks on the Capital in January 2021.

Consulted with the Dept. of Women's and Gender Studies at Virginia Tech and Virginia Tech Women's Center.

11/2020 THE RACE 2020

Creative Content Contributor

Contributed Augusto Boal's *Theatre of the Oppressed* methodology of 'Image Theatre' creative content for an interactive live-streamed theatre performance that combines spectacle and collaborative conversation to investigate the state of our democracy; consulted with the Virginia Tech School of Performing Arts and The Civility Project.

07/2020 2020 ODU SUMMER ARTS SERIES: RESILIENT STILLNESS— A Project about

Stillness and Togetherness

Project Lead, Creative Content Development Lead

Virtual Performative Community Engagement Project/Workshop

Documented in the creation of an archivable video montage, *Resilient Stillness* blends together each participant's physical embodiment of embracing the theme of "stillness" during the COVID-19 pandemic. Led and provided a collaborative tool devised from Augusto Boal's *Theatre of the Oppressed* technique 'Image Theatre' in which still images are used to explore abstract concepts, such as relationships and emotions, as well as realistic situations.

07/2020 ADVENTUROUS TEEN SUMMER EXPERIENCE: 'Ur Roots Amplified'

Project Lead, Creative Content Development Lead

Community Engagement Project with Dept. of Communication and Theatre Arts at Old Dominion University, Teens with a Purpose, and Open Norfolk ©

Summer-based creative applied theatre performative project; performance locations: Open Norfolk's The Safe Creative Community Space (SCCS) and Garden, Norfolk Botanical Gardens, St. Paul's Quadrant Neighborhood (Various outdoor locations)

08/2019- AMPLIFIED: THE ST. PAUL'S PROJECT

Present Project Co-Lead, Creative Content Development Lead

Community Engagement Project with Dept. of Communication and Theatre Arts at Old Dominion University, Teens with a Purpose, and New Virginia Majority

Amplified is an original devised theatre project exploring issues and perspectives of children of St. Paul's Quadrant and the consequential effects of the redevelopment process. These stories will be woven together into an original performance piece that creates a dramatic dialogue using movement, text, music, and projections.

07/2019 LIVING BEYOND SOUTHERN LIVING: PERSONAL NARRATIVES FROM SOUTHERN WOMEN

Project Consultant, Creative Content Development Lead

Creative performative project in script development and performance consulting for the Dept. of Women's and Gender Studies at Virginia Tech

Living Beyond Southern Living, a year-long creative project with the VT Feminist Theory grad seminar exploring issues about their relationship to social justice causes and/or feminism to be read/performed at the yearly Women's and Gender Studies student showcase.

01/2019- VIRGINIA TECH HISTORY PROJECT: VOICE IN THE STONE

03/2019 Project Co-Collaborator, Creative Content Development

Dept. of Theatre and Cinema, Dept. of English, Dept. of History at Virginia Tech Long-term creative project in script development and performance consultant in anticipation of Virginia Tech's 150th anniversary in 2022; site-specific dance/theatre piece focused specifically on the narratives of the first Black women to attend Virginia Tech in 1966.

02/2019- BLACK LOVE EXHIBIT, A BLACK LOVE CONVERSATION

03/2019 Project Co-Collaborator, Creative Content Development

Virginia Tech Women's Center

Performative, audience-immersive projects comprised of pairing with the Perspective Student Gallery, Virginia Tech Women's Center, and Dept. of Theatre exploring the depths of embodying redemption through theatrical performance.

09/2018- RESILIENT SUSTAINABILITY SIMPLIFIED

11/2018 Project Lead, Creative Content Development

Center for Communicating Sciences, Virginia Tech

Collaborated with Dr. Madeleine Flint, Assistant Professor in Structural Engineering and Materials and Virginia tech students to develop a piece on structural sustainability and human involvement.

08/2017- ALWAYS (K)NEW: TRANSLATING IDENTITIES, QUEERING BORDERS

12/2017 Project Co-Collaborator, Creative Content Development

Department of Theatre and Film Studies and Department of Romance Languages (UGA); Pontifical Xavierian University (Bogotá, Colombia)

Original devised theatre project utilizing collected personal narratives to explore the particular issues facing LGBTQ students, faculty, and staff at UGA and in the Athens community.

APPLIED CREATIVE SCHOLARSHIP: PERFORMER, PLAYWRIGHT

08/2020- **PEDIGREE**

Present Performer, Playwright

Solo Performance/One Woman Show

An exploration of artistic defiance against social inequality, *Pedigree* is a solo piece about one's journey of recovery from the inexplicit influences of racial hatred and violence plaguing their mentality and livelihood.

Each performance had community outreach elements including a talkback discussion about the narrative-based solo performance and the artistic process of developing and performing *Pedigree*.

- Featured performer for 2022 Global Conference on Women and Gender,
 Christopher Newport University, March 2022, (Newport News, VA), adjudicated
- Featured performer at the 53rd Northeast Modern Language Association (NeMLA) in March 2022, *adjudicated*
- Featured performer at the 12th Annual African, African American, & Diaspora Studies (AAAD) Conference in February 2022, *adjudicated*
- Featured performer for the ODU Black History Month 2022 in February 2022, (Norfolk, VA)
- Featured performer at the 20th Annual Asheville Fringe Festival in January 2022 (Asheville, NC), adjudicated
- Top 4 finalist in the nationally acclaimed '2021 The Breath Project Festival' in November 2021, *adjudicated*
- Lead artist at Association for Theatre in Higher Education (ATHE) in August 2021 (Austin, TX), *adjudicated*

04/2017- **BEING B.A.D.**

Present Performer, Playwright

Solo Performance/One Woman Show

A theatrical production that embodies creative resistance against oppressive gender stereotypes and domestic violence, *Being B.A.D.* is a piece about personal acceptance and redemption from the cycle of abuse.

Each performance had community outreach elements including a talkback discussion about the narrative-based solo performance and the artistic process of developing and performing *Being B.A.D.*

- Featured performer at Neon Festival in October 2021, (Norfolk, VA), *adjudicated*
- Featured performer at KeyBank Rochester Fringe Festival in September 2021, (Rochester, NY), adjudicated
- Featured performer at BorderLight International Theatre + Fringe Festival in July 2021, (Cleveland, OH), adjudicated
- Featured performer for the ODU Women's History Month Symposium, March 2021, (Norfolk, VA)
- Invited key performer for 2021 Global Conference on Women and Gender, Christopher Newport University, March 2021, (Newport News, VA)
- Featured performer at the 19th Annual Asheville Fringe Festival in January 2021 (Asheville, NC), *adjudicated*
- Featured performer at the 1st Annual Richmond Fringe Fest in April 2020 (Richmond, VA), adjudicated
- Lead artist at Virginia Theatre Association Conference in October 2019 (Norfolk, VA)
- Lead artist at the NC Women's Theatre Fringe Festival in July 2019
- (Raleigh, NC), adjudicated
- Lead artist at the Black Theatre Network Conference in July 2019 (Winston-Salem, NC)
- Featured performer at the Gender, Bodies, and Technology Conference in April 2019 (Roanoke, VA), *adjudicated*
- Featured Performer at A Black Love Conversation: Virginia Tech Women's Center Event in February 2019 (Blacksburg, VA)

11/2018- THREE HYSTERICAL WOMEN: EXPLORATIONS OF FEMININE RAGE 01/2019 Performer, Playwright, Project Concept

An original theatrical production that embodies creative resistance against oppressive stereotypes and violence. By curating three original solo pieces into one production, we explored issues of inclusion and social disparity, including imposed gender roles and racial stereotypes. The work is relevant to our students and campus communities with a cathartic response to the #MeToo and TimesUp Movement.

10/2016- THE INTERSECTION: THE SANDRA BLAND PROJECT

Present Performer, Playwright

Solo Performance/One Woman Show

The Intersection, a new play in development, explores the depths of equality, justice, and mental health awareness through theatrical performance. This project focused on the life of Black Lives Matter activist Sandra Bland and the last hour before her body was discovered in her jail cell on July 13, 2015.

Each performance had community outreach elements including a talkback discussion about the artistic process of developing and performing *The Intersection* and subsequent negative effects of violence in the media on POC millennials.

 Lead artist at 1st Midwest Regional African American Studies Biennial Conference, Ball State University, adjudicated — Lead artist at 9th Annual African, African American, & Diaspora Studies (AAAD) Conference, James Madison University, *adjudicated*

CONFERENCE APPEARANCES: PERFORMANCE/PRESENTATIONS

Harris, B. S. Breathing Life into the Black and White: Performing Sandra Bland.

National

Presented paper in session 'Gender and Performance': 2021 Global Conference on Women and Gender, Christopher Newport University, Virtual, March 2021.

Presented paper in session 'Antiracism: Centering the Voices of Black Women': 1st Midwest Regional African American Studies Biennial Conference, Virtual, March 2021

Presented paper in session 'The Ethics of Narrative: Appropriation and Reinvention in Stories of Injustice': 52nd Northeast Modern Language Association (NeMLA), Virtual, March 2021.

Presented paper in session 'Black Girl Banned: Rebellion and Radical Black Girlhood in Literature': 92nd South Atlantic Modern Language Association Conference (SAMLA), Virtual, November 2020.

Practice/Production Symposium 2020: Mid-America Theatre Conference (MATC), Chicago, IL, March 2020.

Presented paper in session: Racial Disposability and Cultures of Resistance Conference, Penn State University, October 2019.

Presented paper in session: 33rd Annual Black Theatre Network Conference: *Unapologetically Black*, Winston-Salem, NC., July 2019.

Presented paper in session: GESA Conference: 4th Annual Kinship, Community, and Activism in the Cultural Production of the Black Diaspora Conference, Howard University, March 2019.

Presented/performed in session: 9th Annual African, African American, & Diaspora Studies (AAAD) Conference, James Madison University, February 2019.

Harris, B. S. Embodying Redemption Through Theatre: Performing Being B.A.D.

International

Performed in session: SATB (Storytelling and the Body): 2nd Inclusive Interdisciplinary Conference, Progressive Connexions; Lisbon, Portugal, *Virtual*, April 2021.

National

Presented paper/performed in session: 44th Annual Organization for the Study of Communication, Language (OSCLG), *Virtual*, October 2021.

Presented paper/performed in session: 6th Annual International Gender & Sexuality Studies Conference (IGSS), University of Central Oklahoma, *Virtual*, September 2021.

Presented paper/performed in session: 2021 Global Conference on Women and Gender, Christopher Newport University, *Virtual*, March 2021.

Presented/performed in session: 11th Annual African, African American, & Diaspora Studies (AAAD) Conference, James Madison University, *Virtual*, February 2021.

Presented paper/performed in session: 2020 Global Conference on Women and Gender, Christopher Newport University, March 2020.

Harris, B. S. Three Hysterical Women: *Embodying Resistance Through Theatre*. Performed in session: Gender, Bodies & Technology Conference: *TechnoLogics: Power and Resistance*, Roanoke, VA., April 2019.

Regional

Performed in session: Virginia Theatre Association Conference 2019, Norfolk, VA., October 2019.

Harris, B. S. Resilient Sustainability Simplified": Coastal @ VT. Presented and performed in session: Center for Communicating Sciences' Advancing the Human Condition Symposium, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA., November 2018.

Harris, B. S. Personifying Resistance Through Theatre: Performing Pedigree

National

Performing in session: 2022 Global Conference on Women and Gender, Christopher Newport University, *Virtual*, March 2022.

Presenting/performing in seminar/roundtable 'Art and Activism: The Reshaping of Collective Consciousness and Social Justice': 53rd Northeast Modern Language Association (NeMLA), March 2022.

Presenting/performing in session 'Navigating Police Brutality, Incarceration, and Care Across the Black Diaspora': 53rd Northeast Modern Language Association (NeMLA), March 2022.

Presented/performed in session: 12th Annual African, African American, & Diaspora Studies (AAAD) Conference, James Madison University, *Virtual*, February 2022.

Presented/performed in session 'Personifying Resistance: Devising Theatre for Social Justice', 2021 Association for Theatre in Higher Education (ATHE), Virtual, August 2021.

CONFERENCE APPEARANCES: PANELS & WORKSHOPS

National

Chesapeake Digital Humanities Consortium 2021 Conference: Social Justice and Online Activism. Workshop: *Applied Theatre Performance Workshop 'Resilient Stillness'*, *Workshop Lead*

19th Annual Asheville Fringe Festival, Asheville, NC., January 2021. (Virtual) Workshop: Flying Solo: Your Story and Solo Performance Exploration, Workshop Lead

Women's Theatre Fringe Festival of NC 2020, Raleigh, NC., July 2020. (Virtual) Workshop: Flying Solo: Your Story and Solo Performance Exploration, Workshop Lead Conversations on Applied Theatre Conference, The Playwright's Lab at Hollins University, June 2020.

Panel(s): What is Applied Theatre? & Teaching Activism, Invited Panelist

Georgia Theatre Conference, Carrollton, GA. February 2018. Workshop: *Flying Solo: Your Story and Solo Performance Exploration, Workshop Lead*

Regional

ODU Fall 2021 Themester: Arts and Social Justice: Dialoguing with our Bodies, an Exploration of Performance Activism, October and November 2021.

The New Earth Panel: Virginia Stage Company Public Works, Norfolk, VA. April 2021. Panel: Black Theatre in Hampton Roads: Then and Now, Featured Panelist

ODU Women's History Month Symposium: *Performance and Protest*. Norfolk, VA. March 2021.

Virginia Theatre Association Annual Conference, Norfolk, VA., October 2020. Invited/Featured Panels:

- Flying Solo: Creating Solo Pieces for the Stage
- Devising Your Own Work
- Finding True Diversity in Theatre
- Where to Go to College?

2020 ODU Summer Arts Series, Old Dominion University, July 2020.

Workshop: Applied Theatre Performance Workshop 'Resilient Stillness', Workshop Lead

Get Virtual with Virginia Stage Company series through the Virginia Stage Company's Education and Community Engagement Department. Norfolk, VA. May 2020.

Workshop: Flying Solo: Your Story and Solo Performance Exploration, Workshop Lead

Virginia Thespian Conference 2019, Radford University, February 2019. Workshop: *Flying Solo: Your Story and Solo Performance Exploration, Workshop Lead*

Virginia Theatre Association Annual Conference, Norfolk, VA., October & November 2019. Invited Panels:

- Where to Go to College?
- Career Jumpstart: Make a Career Out of Your Theatre Passion

Workshop: Dare to Devise: Ensemble Devised Theatre for Teens, Workshop Lead

Virginia Thespian Conference 2019, Radford University, February 2019. Workshop: Flying Solo: Your Story and Solo Performance Exploration, Workshop Lead

Virginia Theatre Association Annual Conference, Norfolk, VA., October 2018. Invited Panels:

- Where Should I Go to School to Study Theatre?

- Telling Your Story: Devising Your Own Work from a Minority Perspective
- Artists of Color: The Diversity Gap in Modern Theatre

Workshop: Flying Solo: Your Story and Solo Performance Exploration, Workshop Lead

PROFESSIONAL CRITIQUE

Reviews & Highlights

Intimate Apparel

"Intimate Apparel" is a Patchwork of Participation and Performance Haulenbeek, S., November 2021

ODU Rep's Intimate Apparel Reveals Innermost Details of Characters Lives Joy, M., November 19, 2021

Symptomatic: IRL

<u>In upcoming ODU production about coronavirus stresses, art imitates life</u> Poulter, A., November 12, 2020

Echoes

ODU play asks: What do you say to yourself when no one is listening? Poulter, A., February 19, 2020

Interviews

With Good Reason: Virginia Humanities Podcast, <u>'This is SO Not a PBS Special'</u> Interviewer: McConnell, S., January 2021

Tidewater Family Magazine, <u>Learning is Fun: Prof. Brittney Harris</u> Interviewer: Cullen, S., September 2020

American Theatre Artists Online Podcast, <u>Artivist Brittney Harris</u> Interviewer: Sittig, S., July 2020

Chatham Life and Style, <u>Brittney S. Harris Inspires Us to Tell Our Own Stories</u> Interviewer: Stith, M., July 2020

GRANTS/PROJECTS AWARDED

2021	ODU Fall 2021 Themester: Arts and Social Justice project funding, \$500.00 (Proj: Dialoguing with our Bodies, an Exploration of Performance Activism)		
Oct. 2020	Association for Theatre Movement Educators (ATME) Innovation Fellowship, \$1000.00 (Proj. Funding: Solo piece- <i>Being B.A.D.</i> and the Performance of Redemption), <i>matched</i>		
2019	Conference Funding, \$400.00 (Conference: 9th Annual African, African American, & Diaspora Studies (AAAD) Conference)		
2018	Emerging Leaders Independent Project Funding, \$475.00, Principal Investigator (Project Funding: G.L.A.M: <i>Girls Leadership and Mentors of Athens</i>)		
2016	Arts in Community Grant, \$1,500.00, Principal Investigator		

(Presentation: Atlanta Fringe Festival)

Sylvia Pannell Travel Grant, \$900.00, Principal Investigator

(Presentation: Atlanta Fringe Festival)

2014-2015 American Honda Foundation Grant, \$5,000.00, Assisted.

(Project Funding: EUREKA! S.T.E.M-based program, Girls Inc. of the Greater

Peninsula)

2014 U.S.A Swim, \$2,500.00, Assisted.

(Project Funding: Girls Inc. Minority Learn to Swim Summer Camp Program, Girls Inc.

of the Greater Peninsula

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Association for Theatre in Higher Education (A.T.H.E)

Association of Theatre Movement Educators (A.T.M.E)

South Atlantic Modern Language Association (S.A.M.L.A)

Northeast Modern Language Association (N.e.M.L.A)

Black Theatre Network (B.T.N.)

A.E.A Equity Member Candidate (E.M.C)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Old Dominion University

September 2021-Present Theatre Arts Program Lead Liaison, Facilitator for ODU Office

of Admissions First Fridays

August 2021-Present Communication and Theatre Arts Alumni Committee

March 2021 Featured Presenter, Arts in the Libraries Virtual Festival

ODU University Libraries

February 2021 Moderator, Anti-Racism Speaker Series: Ògún Yè Mo Yè!

Department of Communication and Theatre Arts

Lead Panelist, Insurrection: The Critical Reflection Forums

Department of Communication and Theatre Arts

Lead Panelist, Black Excellence, Joy, and Resilience Workshop

Office of Faculty Diversity and Retention

August 2020-Present Communication and Theatre Arts Diversity/ Community

Engagement & Events Committee

June 2020 (Ongoing) Lead Co-Facilitator, Anti-Racism Listening Forum

Department of Communication and Theatre Arts

April 2020-August 2020 Theatre Program Host (Lead): Virtual Info Session

November 2019-present Director of Recruitment: Theatre Program

August 2019-present Outreach and Recruitment Advocate: Theatre Program

Virginia Tech

August 2018-May 2019 Outreach and Recruitment Advocate: Department of Theatre and

Cinema Studies

University of Georgia

August 2015-May 2018 Outreach and Recruitment Coordinator, Department of Theatre

and Film Studies

Coordinator, Behind the Scenes at UGA Theatre (Semester-

based Outreach Event)

Coordinator, Audition Prep Workshop 2.0 (Semester-based

Outreach Event)

Assistant Director, Summer Academy @ UGA 2016

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY SERVICE EXPERIENCE

Arts-based

November 2021 Guest Lecturer: Performance as Activism

ARTS 495, Art for Social Justice

Old Dominion University

October 2021 Guest Lecturer: Theatre of the Oppressed (Dis)Course

AFST 1714, Intro to African Studies

Virginia Tech

April 2021 Workshop: Performance and Protest (virtual)

Workshop Lead

Next Act, University of Georgia, Athens, GA.

March 2021 Guest Lecturer: Theatre of the Oppressed (Dis)Course

WSG 2254, Feminist Activism

Virginia Tech

October 2020 Guest Lecturer: Artistic Process of Solo Performance: *Being B.A.D.*

TA 2134, Acting Lab

Virginia Tech

September 2020 Guest Lecturer: Directing 'Echoes: Transcending Through Story'

THEA 241A, The Theatre Experience

Old Dominion University

July 2020 Applied Theatre Performance Technique Workshop: Ur Roots Amplified

Workshop Lead

Teens with a Purpose, and Open Norfolk®

June 2020 Featured Panelist: Why We Protest: Black Actors and Artists Discuss

Activism in Their Work' Online Forum Virginia Stage Company, Norfolk, VA.

May 2020 Workshop: Flying Solo: Your Story and Solo Performance Exploration,

Workshop Lead

Get Virtual w/ Virginia Stage Company, Norfolk, VA.

November 2019 Guest Lecturer: Solo Performance for Social Change

ENGL 313, Literature and Social Issues Christopher Newport University

October 2019 Workshop: Ensemble Devised Theatre for Teens

Guest Artist

Governor's School for the Arts College Fair, Norfolk VA

October 2018 Workshop: Ensemble Devised Theatre for Teens

Guest Artist

Outreach-Based

January 2018- Theatre for Young Audiences Program
May 2018 Project Lead and Co-Collaborator

Service learning focused project, developed students led workshops at Coile Middle School (Athens, GA), the Parkview Community Center

(Athens, GA), and other sites.

February 2018- G.L.A.M. (Girls Leadership and Mentors of Athens)

April 2018 Program Lead/Project Coordinator

G.L.A.M is a pilot youth empowerment program sponsored through the

Emerging Leaders Program at the University of Georgia

May 2014- Girls Incorporated of the Greater Peninsula

August 2015 Dir. of Quality Assurance, Special Projects, & Volunteer Coordinator

 — Program Coordinator/Youth Liaison, Virginia Air and Space Center

— Program Director/ Special Projects Coordinator, L.I.F.T

(Leadership Institute for Teens)

— Program Director/Special Projects Coordinator, EUREKA!

STEM, Girls Incorporated

June 2013- Y.W.C.A of South Hampton Roads

March 2014 Outreach/Community Advocate & Coordinator

July 2013- Annual Day of Unity – Night of Remembrance Candlelight Vigil

October 2013 Chairperson/Volunteer Coordinator & Event Planner

Summer 2012 & Teens with a Purpose (T.W.P) Summer 2013 *Youth Educator/ Advisor* March 2013- Norfolk Botanical Gardens

December 2013 Youth Educator/ Intern Supervisor

November 2011- Corinthian Colleges, Inc.

December 2012 Career Service Representative/Professional Development Coach

August 2008- Centerstage Inc. Children's Theatre

January 2010 Program Director/Drama and Speech Instructor

REPRESENTATIVE CREATIVE WORK

Acting	Acting (Limited)							
2021	Race	Susan	Generic Theater, Norfolk, VA					
2021	Pedigree	Person A						
2020	'Untitled'	Principal C	Overnight Sensations 2020, Hollins University					
2020	Being B.A.D.	Kendra Foster	1 st Annual Richmond Fringe Festival					
			2020 GCWG, Newport News, VA					
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2019	Being B.A.D.	Kendra Foster	V.T.A. Conference, Norfolk VA					
			Women Theatre Festival Fringe 2019					
			Black Theatre Network Conference '19					
			G.B.T. Conference, Roanoke VA					
2019	The Intersection	Sandra Bland	9 th Annual A.A.A.D Conference					
2019	Three Hysterical	Kendra Foster	Virginia Tech (Solo Perf.)					
	Women: One-Woman		,					
	Show Collective							
2018	Resilient Sustainability	Self	Virginia Tech, Communicating Sciences					
	Simplified							
2018	Barbarism:	Jason	University of Georgia (Staged Reading)					
	Story of Medea							
2017	The Last Witch	Elspeth Begg	University of Georgia					
2017	Titus Andronicus	Lavinia	University of Georgia					
2017	Being B.A.D	Kendra Foster	University of Georgia (Solo Perf.)					
2017	The Intersection	Sandra Bland	University of Georgia (Solo Perf.)					
2016	Jane Eyre	Jane Eyre	University of Georgia					
2016	Fires in the Mirror	Ntozake Shange	University of Georgia					
2015	You Can't Take It With You	Ms. Miriam Kirby	University of Georgia					
2015	A Raisin in the Sun	Ruth Younger	Keep the Change Productions					
2013	Extremities	Marjorie	Iron Street Productions, LLC., VA					
2013	Fraction of Light	Nettie	Virginia Playwriting Forum, VA					
2013	Raising Awareness/	Ellen Johnson Sirle	vaf Venue on 35th Street Theatre, VA					
	Raising Hope							
2012	The Trial of One	Judge	Venue on 35th Street Theatre, VA					
	Short-Sighted:Black Woman							
2011	Julius Caesar	Portia/Calpurnia	Virginia Stage Company (Workshop)					
2011	Chaos in the House	Juju	James McNeil Person Productions					
2011	Fragments	Solider	Old Dominion University					
2010	Intimate Apparel	Esther	Old Dominion University					
2009	Persephone Wept	Persephone	Old Dominion University					
2009	For Colored Girls	Lady in Purple	Virginia Commonwealth University					
2008	Negras Eros	Principal	Shaffer Street Playhouse					

2006 2005	Abolitionist Museum Goodly Creatures	Harriet Tubman Chorus	Juneteenth Festival Players Virginia Stage Company				
2003	Goodly Creditires	Chorus	virginia Stage Company				
Film/Television							
2014- 2017	Traffick Stop (Pilot)	Officer Kimberly Ball	Traffick Stop Productions				
2013- 2017	Precinct 757	Officer LaTia Britton	FulCamp Productions				
2015	Wicked Attraction- Ep. 303	Co-Star	M2 Pictures				
2015	22:42	Lead	Dir. Amena Anderson				
2014	The Homecoming	Lead	Dir. Russ Fulmore				
2014	Charades	Lead	Dir. Russ Fulmore				
2014	Bad Service	Principal	Dir. Chris Abaya				
2013	I Dated a Psycho Ep. 1.5	Principal	M2 Pictures				
2012	Miracle of the Murders	Principal	Dir. Joseph Baum				
2011	FBI Criminal Pursuit Ep. 402	Supporting	M2 Pictures				
2011	Ellie	Supporting	M2 Pictures				
2010	Happily Never After Ep. 110	Featured	M2 Pictures				
Writings (Playscripts)							
2020	Pedigree	5-Minute Play					
2018	The Amazin' Jason	10-Minute Play					
2017	How to Tie a Tie	Short Play/One-Act					
2017	The Request	One Act					
2016	Being B.A.D.	Short Play					
2016	The Intersection	Short Play/One-Act					
2012	(The Sandra Bland Project) Fourth	Full-length					