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TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

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EDUCATION

M.F.A. Theatre Technology **Expected 2027**
Indiana University - Bloomington, IN

B.F.A. Theatre - Tech and Design **2024**
Southern Arkansas University - Magnolia, AR

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Student Academic Appointment **2024-2027**
Indiana University - Bloomington, IN
Aided in the scenic construction of the theatre productions in Indiana University's Scenic Studio in various capacities, including carpentry, welding, rigging, and automation. Served as Technical Director, Assistant Technical Director, carpenter, or welder on each show in the 2024-2027 seasons. Mentored undergraduate carpenters in scenic construction methods and proper use of scenic studio equipment. Acted as a student instructor for the T359 Theatre Production Studio course, teaching practicum students scenic studio safety, basic carpentry, and safe rigging practices.

Teaching Assistant – T350 Entertainment Technology **2026**
Indiana University - Bloomington, IN
Lectured students on theatre technology process, conventions, tools, and terminology. Led lectures on rigging and single and double purchase counterweight systems. Graded students' knot tying practical exams. Observed Assistant Professor & Head of Theatre Technology Jeff Baldwin's teaching practices for undergraduate students with an emphasis on hands-on instruction methods.

Guest Lecturer – T100 Introduction to Theatre **2026**
Indiana University - Bloomington, IN
Taught students outside of the Department of Theatre and Drama in Senior Lecturer and Director of Undergraduate Studies Jennifer Lale's class about the tech and design process, with an emphasis on the technical direction process and collaborating with scenic designers. Used paperwork from past IU Theatre productions to show a step-by-step example of the behind-the-scenes aspects of theatre.

Scene Shop Carpenter **2022-2024**
Southern Arkansas University - Magnolia, AR
Assisted in the construction of scenery for Southern Arkansas University Theatre's seasons. Served as Scenic Designer, Properties Manager, Assistant Technical Director, or carpenter for each show in the 2022-2024 seasons. Collaborated with student and faculty designers, directors, and technicians throughout the show processes to ensure completion of the sets in accordance with the artistic vision with a small scenic team.

Teaching Assistant at Magnolia High School **2024**
Southern Arkansas University
Assisted in the instruction of Magnolia High School's tech theatre class as they prepared the set, properties, lighting, and sound for their production of The Fantasticks. Taught prop build methods, designed and programmed light cues, designed and programmed sound cues, and assisted in the painting and building of the set.

Guest Lecturer at Magnolia High School **2022**
Southern Arkansas University
Guest lectured for 10th and 11th Grade English and Pre-AP English students in a two-day Accents and Dialects workshop. Taught American deep south accents for tenth grade's southern adaptation of Romeo and Juliet, and Received Pronunciation English accents for eleventh grade's reading of Macbeth.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Technical Director **2026**
Ohio Light Opera - Wooster Ohio
Led the Ohio Light Opera scenic team in all facets of the build and technical processes. Communicated with Scenic and Lighting Designers, created construction draftings, led the construction process, led all rigging operations, participated in design and production meetings and tech rehearsals, repaired scenery, and taught early-career carpenters safe and cost effective construction methods for all six shows in repertory for the 2026 Summer Festival Season.

Assistant Technical Director **2025**
Ohio Light Opera - Wooster Ohio
Assisted in leading the Ohio Light Opera scenic team in all facets of the build and technical processes. Aided the Technical Director by attending production meetings, leading rigging operations, drafting three of the six shows, attending tech rehearsals, and participating in the build and construction design process for all six shows in repertory for the 2025 Summer Festival Season.

Scenic Artist **2024**
Wagon Wheel Center for the Arts - Warsaw, IN
Painted all five shows for the 2024 summer season. Utilized various scenic painting techniques including wood grain, stone, concrete, brick, stenciling, cartoon portraiture, freehand florals and vinery, and color blocking. Collaborated with the Technical Director on build and paint schedules, and the Scenic Designers on color samples and stencils. Maintained paint logs for touchups and repairs of re-used set pieces and props.

TECHNICAL DIRECTION

Isn't This Nice by Julia Cerqueira **Indiana University - Bloomington, IN**
Grant Goodman, Dir. – Emily Childs, Des.

The Rocky Horror Show **Indiana University - Bloomington, IN**
Nate Sayatovich, Dir. – Oliver Stark, Des.

The Red Mill **Ohio Light Opera - Wooster, OH**
Spencer Reese, Dir. – Reiko Huffman, Des.

The Yeoman of the Guard **Ohio Light Opera - Wooster, OH**
Jacob Allen, Dir. – Renee Surprenant Fitzgerald, Des.

The Merry Widow **Ohio Light Opera - Wooster, OH**
Steven Daigle, Dir. – Daniel Hobbs, Des.

The Boys from Syracuse **Ohio Light Opera - Wooster, OH**
Jacob Allen, Dir. – Daniel Hobbs, Des.

Damn Yankees **Ohio Light Opera - Wooster, OH**
Steven Daigle, Dir. – Kiah Kayser, Des.

My Fair Lady **Ohio Light Opera - Wooster, OH**
Jacob Allen, Dir. – Daniel Hobbs, Des.

Dance Nation **Indiana University - Bloomington, IN**
Kendrick Weingast, Dir. – Nick Boisvert, Des.

Too Much Light Makes the Baby Go Blind **Indiana University - Bloomington, IN**
Sarah Johnson & Jonathan Michaelsen, Dir. – Oliver Stark, Des.

ASSISTANT TECHNICAL DIRECTION

Groundlings by Wren Latham **Indiana University - Bloomington, IN**
Leraldo Anzaldua, Dir. – Yasmine Yaworski, Des. – Emma Carr, TD.

Busy Dying by Golsa Sohrabi — **Indiana University - Bloomington, IN**
Jonathan Michaelsen, Dir. – Michelle Moore, Des. – Gwen Burke, TD.

A Midsummer Night's Dream — **Indiana University - Bloomington, IN**
Samwell Rose, Dir. – Reuben Lucas, Design Coordinator. – Frankie Martinez, TD.

The Cousin from Batavia — **Ohio Light Opera – Wooster, OH**
Spencer Reese, Dir. – Chyna Mayer, Des. – K'Nyia Bumpers, TD.

Bitter Sweet — **Ohio Light Opera – Wooster, OH**
Steven Daigle, Dir. – Kiah Kayser, Des. – K'Nyia Bumpers, TD.

Patience — **Ohio Light Opera – Wooster, OH**
Julie Wright Costa, Dir. – Naoko Skala, Des. – K'Nyia Bumpers, TD.

Tip-Toes — **Ohio Light Opera – Wooster, OH**
Jacob Allen, Dir. – Daniel Hobbs, Des. – K'Nyia Bumpers, TD.

Brigadoon — **Ohio Light Opera – Wooster, OH**
Jacob Allen, Dir. – Kiah Kayser, Des. – K'Nyia Bumpers, TD.

Carousel — **Ohio Light Opera – Wooster, OH**
Steven Daigle, Dir. – Daniel Hobbs, Des. – K'Nyia Bumpers, TD.

Fiddler on the Roof — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Joann Shaver, Dir. – Rylee Creed, Des. – Joey Kaar, TD.

WELDING

The Prom — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Oliver Stark, Des. – Frankie Martinez, TD.

Reefer Madness — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Nick Boisvert, Des. – Morgan Hemgrove, TD.

Sanctuary City — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Abby Bilson, Des. – Frankie Martinez, TD.

CARPENTRY

A Chorus Line — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Yu (Wendy) Wu, Des. – Barbie Brown, TD.

Isn't This Nice by Julia Cerqueira — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Emily Childs, Des. – Gary Livingston-Weaver, TD.

Do You Feel Anger — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Rebuen Lucas, Des. – Gary Livingston-Weaver, TD.

The Bacchae — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Yu (Wendy) Wu, Des. – Barbie Brown, TD.

Merrily We Roll Along — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Abby Bilson, Des. – Jeff Baldwin, TD.

Pride and Prejudice — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Nick Boisvert, Des. – K'Nyia Bumpers, TD.

The Legend of Georgia McBride — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Ash Cossey, Des. – Barbie Brown, TD.

The Prom — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Abby Bilson, Des. – Frankie Martinez, TD.

Legally Blonde — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Abby Bilson, Des. – Frankie Martinez, TD.

Twelfth Night — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Reuben Lucas, Des. – Jeff Baldwin, TD.

Fucking A — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Ash Cossey, Des. – K'Nyia Bumpers, TD.

Reefer Madness — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Nick Boisvert, Des. – Morgan Hemgrove, TD.

Sanctuary City — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Abby Bilson, Des. – Frankie Martinez, TD.

Intimate Apparel — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Dalton Hale, Des. – Joey Kaar, TD.

Dogfight — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Joey Kaar, TD & Des.

Secret Soldiers: Heroines in Disguise — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Dalton Hale, Des. – Joey Kaar, TD.

Secret Soldiers: Heroines in Disguise — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Dalton Hale, Des. – Joey Kaar, TD.

Disney's Freaky Friday — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Caleb Burkhalter, Des. – Joann Shaver, TD.

Love/Sick — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Dalton Hale, Des. – Joann Shaver, TD.

Our Town — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Ben Culp, Des. – Caleb Burkhalter, TD.

A Year With Frog and Toad — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Rylee Creed, Des. – Jon Peck, TD.

SCENIC ART

The Yeoman of the Guard — **Ohio Light Opera – Wooster, OH**
Renee Surprenant Fitzgerald, Des. – Andrew Couture, Charge

Damn Yankees — **Ohio Light Opera – Wooster, OH**
Kiah Kayser, Des. – Andrew Couture, Charge

Too Much Light Makes the Baby Go Blind — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Oliver Stark, Des. – Yu (Wendy) Wu, Charge

Sanctuary City — **Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**
Abby Bilson, Des. – Ash Cossey, Charge

Beautiful: The Carole King Musical — **Wagon Wheel Center for the Arts – Warsaw, IN**
Mike Higgins, Des. – Sevin Kacsir, Charge

Murder on the Orient Express — **Wagon Wheel Center for the Arts – Warsaw, IN**
Mike Higgins, Des. – Sevin Kacsir, Charge

The Wedding Singer — **Wagon Wheel Center for the Arts – Warsaw, IN**
Terry Julien, Des. – Sevin Kacsir, Charge

Kiss Me, Kate! — **Wagon Wheel Center for the Arts – Warsaw, IN**
Mike Higgins, Des. – Sevin Kacsir, Charge

Disney's Beauty and the Beast — **Wagon Wheel Center for the Arts – Warsaw, IN**
David Lepor, Des. – Sevin Kacsir, Charge

Fidder on the Roof — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Rylee Creed, Des. – Pan Creed, Charge

Dogfight — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Joey Kaar, Des. – Pan Creed, Charge

Secret Soldiers: Heroines in Disguise — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Dalton Hale, Des. – Jocelyn Parsons, Charge

Disney's Freaky Friday — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Caleb Burkhalter, Des. – Audra Tibbit, Charge

Our Town — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Ben Culp, Des. – Audra Tibbit, Charge

STAGE MANAGEMENT

Disney's Freaky Friday — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Joann Shaver, Dir. – Pan Creed & Jaimeson Biard, ASM.

Secret Soldiers: Heroines in Disguise — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Joann Shaver, Dir. – Brie Madayag & Charlie Bradshaw, ASM.

Miss Southern Arkansas University Scholarship Pageant 2023 — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Coordinator - Kandice Herron

Guys and Dolls* — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Brittany Bara, Dir. – Amber Cromer, SM
*Assistant Stage Manager

Miss Southern Arkansas University Scholarship Pageant 2022 — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Coordinator - Kandice Herron

SOUND DESIGN

Intimate Apparel — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Prince Duren, Dir.

Dogfight — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Joann Shaver, Dir.

Southern Arkansas University Upward Bound Graduation 2023 — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**

HAIR AND MAKEUP DESIGN

Love/Sick — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Prince Duren, Dir. – Mykala Clark, Costume Des.

A Year With Frog and Toad — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Janet Rider Babbit, Dir. – Amber Gantt, Costume Des.

Our Town — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Prince Duren, Dir. – Amber Gantt, Costume Des.

Guys and Dolls — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Brittany Bara, Dir. – Imma Curl, Costume Des.

The Spitfire Grill — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Brittany Bara, Dir. – Amber Gantt, Costume Des.

She Kills Monsters* — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Dan Pivovar, Dir. – Jazz VanAssche Hair and Makeup Des.
*Assistant Hair and Makeup Design

PROPERTIES MANAGEMENT

Our Town — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Prince Duren, Dir.

She Kills Monsters* — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Dan Pivovar, Dir. – Imma Curl, Prop Des.

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* — **Southern Arkansas University – Magnolia, AR**
Dan Pivovar, Dir. – Rhiana Eastland, Prop Des.
*Assistant Props Designer

VOLUNTEER WORK

VISTA Summer Fellow — **2021-2023**
SAU Americorps + VISTA
Spent three consecutive summers doing 40 hours of volunteer work a week through Americorp's VISTA program in various capacities, including maintaining a community garden and donating produce to the Southern Arkansas University Mulerider Market and the local Abilities Unlimited, serving as a staff member of Mulerider Kids' College and Mulerider Teens' College, repainting SAU's dorm rooms, and hosting LGBTQ+ Pride events.

Director of Junior Staff* — **2021-2023**
Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership - Arkansas
Led a team of volunteers under the age of twenty one for HOBY Arkansas that served as part of the Operations team, Ambassador group leaders, and cheer leaders and morale boosters. Recruited former ambassadors and local young volunteers over the course of the years and attended bi-yearly supervisory staff planning meetings. Coordinated with guest speakers and the Leadership Seminar Chairs to provide necessary support for the seminars.

Junior Staff* — **2019-2020**
Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership - Arkansas
Served on the Junior Staff team for HOBY Arkansas as a junior group leader. Facilitated discussions with 10th grade Ambassadors from various high schools across Arkansas about leadership and community service, created activities and led chants and cheers for morale boosters, and assisted the senior staff group leaders in leading workshops and community service projects. Presented workshops during the virtual 2020 seminar.

Ambassador* **2018-2019**
Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership - World Leadership Congress
Represented the state of Arkansas as a student ambassador at the 2018 and 2019 HOBY World Leadership Congress in Chicago. Participated in leadership and community service workshops and projects, including cleaning Humboldt park. Connected with Ambassadors from around the globe, building a worldwide team of service-minded leaders.

Ambassador* **2018**
Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership - Arkansas
Represented Magnolia High School as a student Ambassador at the HOBY Arkansas 2018 seminar. Participated in service projects, included cleaning and planting at a local family-owned farm in preparation for harvest season and making dog toys for local animal shelters.

*400+ Hours of community service logged through HOBY's Leadership for Service portal.

AWARDS AND MEMBERSHIPS

Alpha Psi Omega - National Theatre Honor Society **Southern Arkansas University**
*President 2023-2024

Tau Beta Sigma - Honorary Band Sorority **Southern Arkansas University**
*President 2022-2024, Vice President of Membership 2021-2022, Southwest District Communications Committee 2022-2023

Presidential Volunteer Service Award **Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership**
*Recieved 2018-2022

Best Overall Scenic Design 2023 **Southern Arkansas University**
"A Year With Frog and Toad"

Best Overall Sound Design 2024 **Southern Arkansas University**
"Intimate Apparel"