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HIGHLIGHTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

- 6 years experience teaching youth and adults improv, theater, and writing
- Empathetic teacher, comedian, and improviser who embraces humor and kindness
- Role model for students in schools impacted by high levels of economic inequity
- An excellent curriculum designer utilizing California Arts Standards and cultural competence
- 10 years of professional acting experience in film/tv and stage

TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

Improv Corporate Trainer and Executive Coach 2019 - Present

Allianz Insurance, Allison + Partners, La Bonte Nutrition, Professional Therapists

- Train the benefits of improv techniques for public speaking, communication, and teambuilding
- Facilitate improv exercises to inspire collaboration, active listening, and openness to new ideas
- Coach effective leadership skills through fun, engaging, and customizable workshops

Theater Teaching Artist 2022-Present

LA Arts Group, Los Angeles, CA

- Design and implement theater curriculum with emphasis on social emotional learning
- Seamlessly integrate the arts and academic subjects using the California Arts Standards
- Employ classroom management techniques while leading theater games to groups of 30 plus

Mentor 2019-Present

Young Storytellers, Los Angeles, CA

- Actively engage students in the learning process with movement and collaboration
- Increase student's ability to achieve academic and personal success with individualized action plans
- Empower students to tell their unique story by praising, listening, and using "yes and..."
- Teach screenwriting with a focus on character development, plot, and dialogue

Improv and Sketch Comedy Instructor 2016-Present

Private Instructor, Los Angeles, CA

- Develop and execute lesson plans on improv, sketch comedy writing, and acting to K-12 students
- Use improv and storytelling techniques to bring out students' creativity, imagination, and expression
- Implement games and mindfulness technique to provide a safe and joyful learning environment

Academic Manager 2014-Present

Franklin Educational Services, Los Angeles, CA

- Tutor individuals and groups in all subjects K-college specializing in theater and creative writing
- Teach communication, social, and time management skills for neurodiverse students
- Infuse culturally relevant folklore into curriculum design for LatinX and African American students
- Communicate and collaborate with parents about students success and support
- Advocated for students and parents during individualized education plan negotiations

PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

Writer/Actor/Comedian 2013-Present

- Write, produce, and perform in weekly sketch and improv shows at Second City Theater
- Perform an improvised clown show at comedy theaters across Los Angeles, CA
- Act in films, television shows, commercials, theatrical shows, and sketch comedies
- Write, produce, direct, and act in several award winning short films
- Content creator of brand ads and viral comedy videos with millions of views

EDUCATION

Teaching Artist Program 2021, The Actors Fund Career Center, Los Angeles, CA

Second City Improv Theater Graduate 2015, Improv, sketch comedy writing, directing, Hollywood, CA

HB Studios Theater Training, Scene Study, Drama, Voice, Improv, Playwriting, New York, New York

American Conservatory Theater 2012, Studio Acting Program, San Francisco, CA

BS in Animal Science and Pre-Veterinary Medicine 2011, University of Rhode Island