

Caroline Burden

Choreographer / Educator

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ABOUT ME I am a choreographer / educator who focuses on musical theatre arts programs for diverse audiences and aims to connect communities by bringing high quality performances and educational opportunities.

Encouraging

Playful

Expressive

Supportive

Reliable

WORK EXPERIENCE

Ja'Duke Center for the Performing Arts - Director/Choreographer

May 2018 - Present

Responsibilities included:

- Collaborate with directors, stage managers, lighting and set designers, and more to produce and choreograph full length, junior and kids musicals.
- Communicate with families and students both in person, via text, and widely via email.
- Create and maintain multiple websites including an online storefront.
- Teach a variety of dance styles and choreographing musicals.
- Direct and choreograph for children ages 2-18.

- Plan community performances and trips to see live professional performances (including a trip of 160 people to Disney World).
- Create and facilitate 9 weeks of summer camp programs.
- Manage a team of teachers and assistants.
- Manage social media and marketing for performing arts center and all shows.
- Cut music, and operate lights and sound for theater performances.
- Organize all information for rehearsal schedule, shows, programs, and special events.

Northfield Mount Hermon - Adjunct Dance Instructor

January 2024 - Present

Responsibilities included:

- Create and manage rehearsal schedules amid dynamic school calendar.
- Design program and poster art for all shows and promotional materials.

- Collaborate with theatre, music and tech departments to bring large performances to the stage.
- Choreograph narrative and non-narrative dance concerts
- Teach daily technique classes in a variety of styles to 9th - 12th graders

Pine View Middle School - Dance Teacher

October 2022 - May 2023

Responsibilities included:

- Work effectively with diverse populations.
- Create and clearly conveying dance concepts to a variety of skill levels.
- Ensure a safe and positive learning environment by managing and documenting behavior issues and conflicts between students.

- Engage and manage students with physical, mental and emotional differences and difficulties.
- Communicate daily with administration, co-workers, parents and students regarding progress, successes and concerns.
- Fully producing shows from inception to choreography to marketing.

Suncoast Dance Academy - Dance Instructor/Musical Theatre Director/Administrative Assistant

August 2022 - December 2023

Responsibilities included:

- Teach and choreograph for students 2 - 18 in Tap, Jazz, Ballet, Lyrical, Musical Theatre and Acro Dance.

- Direct yearly holiday performance in the community.
- Work as an administrator and customer service rep in the office and front desk.

CHOREOGRAPHY EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Shows

- Beauty and the Beast
- The Bench
- Chicago
- The Right Swipe
- OZ: A Dance Narrative
- Potato Chips

Location

- Ja'Duke Theater, MA
- Chiles Theater, MA
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- Goucher College
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- Dance Lab New York

EDUCATION

Goucher College - BA Dance, Magna Cum Laude

September 2014 - May 2018

Dance Lab/New York Choreographers Intensive

Summer 2019

Accademia dell'Arte - Semester abroad in Italy

Winter/Spring 2017