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CURRICULUM VITAE

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PRODUCING & DIRECTING EXPERIENCE

Producer for the Performing Arts | Leading Creative Producer

New Swan Shakespeare Festival	Orange County, CA	2021 - present
MOON Collective (<i>Devised Performances, Performance Art, Digital Art</i>)	International (USA)	2017 - 2023
Transversal Theatre Company (<i>Theatre & Performance</i>)	International (the Netherlands)	2020 - 2022
K.B. Theatre Company	USA (El Paso, TX)	2018 - 2021

Director of Outreach (Center) / Production Coordinator (Festival)

New Swan Shakespeare Center / Festival	Eli Simon & Julia Lupton	New Swan Shakespeare Festival, CA	2021 - present
New Swan Shakespeare Festival	Eli Simon & Beth Lopes	New Swan Shakespeare Festival, CA	2019 - 2020

Managing Director

K.B. Theatre Company	Stephanie Carrillo	El Paso, TX	2018 - 2021
*Brown Bag Theater Co., <i>Grad. Mentor</i>	Lonnie Alcaraz	UC, Irvine, CA	2019 - 2021

Director of Theatre & Performance Art

Don Quixote de La Mancha

staged reading, co-directed by Jesús López Vargas & Eden Aztlán	Little Theater, UCI, CA	2023
produced by New Swan Shakespeare Center, BBTC, and UCLA Diversifying the Classics		

No Erasure

devised theater, co-written & co-directed by Bryan Reynolds & Jesús López Vargas	Transversal Theatre Co., Cairo, Egypt	2021
produced by Transversal Theater Company & Dawar Arts (Cairo, Egypt)		

Tzaqik | a tale, of many (COVID19 Cancellation)

movement operetta in verse, co-directed by Jesús López & Shelby Caughron,	The xMPL, Irvine, CA	2020
choreographed by Piper Bockstahler		
produced by K.B. Theatre Company, MOON Collective & BBTC		

In This Light There is Silence

performance installation w/ original music from Dimitri Soto & Ernie Figueroa	Segerstrom Center for the Arts, CA	2019
co-produced by K.B. Theatre Company, MOON Collective,		
The Beall Center & The Segerstrom Center for the Arts		

/Echo

devised theatre in verse,	The Basement Theater, El Paso, TX	2018
produced by K.B. Theatre Company, MOON Collective & UTEP Playmakers		

RED

performance poetry,	The Basement Theater, El Paso, TX	2017
produced by MOON Collective & UCI Playmakers		

Director of Film & Video

When We Watch (WWW)

2021

immersive website / series, written by Herman Gomez, Jessica Keasberry, Katie Daniel & Jesús López Vargas
co-directed by Shelby Caughron, Jesús López Vargas & Herman Gomez, choreographed by Aliya Kerimujiang
produced by MOON Collective

A Trilogy on Duality

2021

short-film trilogy, with original music by Pan-Pan Gou
written & produced by MOON Collective

Distance in its Movement

2021

art short-film, directed by Jesús López, choreographed by Piper Bockstahler & Katie Lingle
cinematography by Athziri Morales
produced by MOON Collective

Zu Sein

2020

short-film, with original music by Pan-Pan Gou
produced by MOON Collective & the Medici Circle

Symptoma 20

2020

experimental full-length film, with original music by Pan-Pan Gou
produced by MOON Collective

MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE

Production Manager | Theatre & Stage

Curie, Curie (Assoc. PM, remote)

Bryan Reynolds

Transversal Theater Co., Poland

Jan., 2022

Curie, Curie

Bryan Reynolds

Transversal Theater Co., CA

Oct., 2021

Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival

Vinny Vigilante

Jacob's Pillow, MA

May, 2021

Mary's Wedding

Stephanie Carrillo

KB Theatre Company, TX

May, 2018

Production Stage Manager | Theatre

Henry V

Alec Wild

Chesapeake Shakespeare Company, MD

2022

Tomás and the Library Lady

Sara Rodriguez

Lake Dillon Theatre, CO

2022

Pericles, Prince of Tyre

Beth Lopes

New Swan Shakespeare Festival, CA

2022

**El Henry* (Site-Specific) (COVID19 Cancellation)

Herbert Sigüenza

UCI Amphitheatre, CA

2021

The Comedy of Errors (COVID19 Cancellation)

Eli Simon

New Swan Shakespeare Festival, CA

2020

The Merchant of Venice (Outdoors In-the-Round)

Eli Simon

New Swan Shakespeare Festival, CA

2019

Hedwig & the Angry Inch (in-the-round)

Desiree Zarate

Experimental Media Perf. Lab, CA

2019

Guys & Dolls

Kyle Brand

Monomoy Theater, MA

2018

A Doll's House

Mary O'Brady

Monomoy Theater, MA

2018

Little Shop of Horrors

Marsha Korb

Monomoy Theater, MA

2018

Lost in Yonkers

Francesca James

Monomoy Theater, MA

2018

Once in a Lifetime

Terry Layman

Monomoy Theater, MA

2017

A Flea in Her Ear

Ryan Holihan

Monomoy Theater, MA

2017

Candida

Mary O'Brady

Monomoy Theater, MA

2017

The Game's Afoot

Kyle Metzger

Monomoy Theater, MA

2017

° *Medea*

Jay Stratton

UTEP Wise Family Theater, TX

2017

° *Metamorphosis*

Jenny Lord

Studio Theater, TX

2016

° *The House on Mango Street*

Rebecca Rivas

Wise Family Theater, TX

2016

° *Reasons to Be Pretty*

Miriam Mendoza

UTEP Studio Theater, TX

2016

Production Stage Manager | Dance

*Dance Visions 2021	Molly Lynch (Art. Director)	The Irvine Barclay Theater, CA	2021
Enough (COVID19 Cancellation)	Rad D. Thialan & Krystal M-T	the XMPL, Irvine, CA	2020
Tonic Function (COVID19 Cancellation)	Connor Sterling	the xMPL, CA	2020
*New Slate 2019	Kelli Sharp (Art. Director)	UCI Claire Trevor Theater, CA	2019
In-Utero	Brandon Ray & Oliver D.	FAWNZ Dance Company, TX	2018
°Iconic Pop	Cristina Goletti	Wise Family Theater, TX	2018

Project & Event Manager

Re-Creating the Stage (Virtual Outreach Program)	Stephanie Carrillo (Art. Director)	Nation-Wide Digital Program	2020
*Physical Graffiti, Online (Online Concert)	Lisa Naugle (Art. Director)	UCI, Website & Webinar Concert	2020
End of the World, Variety Show	Lonnie Alcaraz	UCI Robert Cohen Theater, CA	2019

Assistant Stage Manager | Theater & Dance

*The Penelopiad	Sara Rodriguez	UCI Claire Trevor Theater, CA	2020
*The Refugee Hotel (American Premier)	Juliette Carrillo	UCI Robert Cohen Theater, CA	2019
*The Survival Project (Devised Movement)	Mihai Măniuțiu	UCI Robert Cohen Theater, CA	2019
*Dance Visions 2019 (Dance Concert)	Lar Luvobitch & Lindsay G.	Irvine Barclay Theater, CA	2019
*The Importance of Being Earnest	Shishir Kurup	UCI Little Theater, CA	2018
°Humbug & Sugar Plum (Theatre & Dance)	Rebecca Rivas & Lisa Smith	Wise Family Theater, TX	2016
°A Christmas Carol	Jay Stratton	Wise Family Theater, TX	2015

LIGHTING DESIGN EXPERIENCE

Lighting Designer

Lotería! Game On	Sara Rodriguez	SilCo, CO	2023
After Images (Marie Curie Remembers)	Bryan Reynolds	University of Amsterdam, Netherlands	2022
After Images (Marie Curie Remembers)	Bryan Reynolds	Dinant Creative Factory, Belgium	2022
The Shadow of Loving You (Dance)	Katie Lingle	Stomping Grounds, CA	2022
Enough (Dance Concert) (COVID19 Cancellation)	Rad D. Thialan & Krystal M-T	the XMPL, Irvine, CA	2020
Tonic Function (Dance) (COVID19 Cancellation)	Connor Sterling	the XMPL, Irvine, CA	2020
In This Light (Installation Performance)	Catlin Moore, Beall Center	Segerstrom Center for the Arts, CA	2019
°Aloft (Dance) (Lighting & Projections)	Lisa Smith	Wise Family Theater, TX	2018
In-Utero (Dance)	Brandon Ray	FAWNZ Dance Company	2018
°Mary's Wedding	Stephanie Carrillo	Basement Theater, TX	2017
°Bloody Shakespeare	Jay Stratton	UTEP Studio Theater, TX	2017
Rubin Center Gala (Outdoors, Corporate)	Hideaki Tsutsui	Rubin Center Courtyard, TX	2017
°Bare Bones Showcase (Dance)	Lisa Smith	UTEP Dance Studio, TX	2016

Electrician Experience

Overhire Electrician	Matt Terzigni	Musical Theatre West, CA	2018 - 2019
Overhire Electrician	Melissa Livingston	Theater Silco CO	2021
Teachers Asst. Shop Electrician	Hideaki Tsutsui	UT at El Paso, TX	2016 - 2018
°Hand to God (M.E.)	Hideaki Tsutsui	UTEP Studio Theater, TX	2018
°A Christmas Carol (M.E.)	Merle DeWitt III	Wise Family Theater, TX	2017
Monomoy 2017 Season (asst. M.E.)	Ethan Jones	Monomoy Theater, MA	Summer 2017
°Lydia (Asst. M.E.)	Jaime Lupercio	UTEP Studio Theater, TX	2017

PUBLICITY ART & STAGE/EVENT PHOTOGRAPHY

Publicity Artists

New Swan Shakespeare Festival	Eli Simon	Irvine, CA	2019 - present
Freelance Work	Various Companies	USA & Mexico	2017 - present
Transversal Theatre Company	Bryan Reynolds	International	2020 - 2023
K.B. Theatre Company	Stephanie Carrillo	El Paso, TX	2018 - 2021
UC, Irvine Drama Department	Phil Thompson & Don Hill	UC Irvine, CA	2019 - 2021
Brown Bag Theater Company	Lonnie Alcaraz	UC Irvine, CA	2018 - 2019
FAWNZ Dance Company	Brandon Ray	El Paso, TX	2016 - 2018
UT at El Paso, Dept. of Theater & Dance	Adriana Dominguez	UT at El Paso, TX	2017 - 2018

Stage & Event Photographer

Freelance Work	Various Companies / Artists	USA & Mexico	2017 - present
Chesapeake Shakespeare Company	Brandon W. Vernon	Baltimore, MD	2021 - 2022
UT at El Paso, Dept. of Theater & Dance	Cristina Goletti	UT at El Paso, TX	2016 - 2018
FAWNZ Dance Company	Brandon Ray	El Paso, TX	2016 - 2018
British Ballet Academy	Amy Cataldi	The Plaza Theater, TX	2017 & 2018
Monomoy Theater	Alan Rust	Monomoy Theater, MA	2017 & 2018

MAKE-UP ARTIST FOR PHOTOGRAPHY, STAGE & FILM

Make-up Artist Or/And Designer

Independent Freelance Work <i>(Miscellaneous)</i>	Various Clients	International	2019 - present
<i>Julius Caesar</i> <i>(Theater – Artist/Consultant)</i>	Andrew Borba	New Swan Shakespeare Festival, CA	2023
<i>A Witches' Brew</i> <i>(Theater – Designer/Artist)</i>	Eli Simon	New Swan Shakespeare Center, CA	2023
<i>Curie, Curie</i> <i>(Movement Theater - Artist/Designer)</i>	Bryan Reynolds	xMPL, CA & Warsaw, Poland	2021 - 2022
<i>When We Watch</i> <i>(Interactive Video - Artist/Designer)</i>	MOON Collective	California, Texas & Massachusetts	2021
<i>Symptoma 20</i> <i>(Art Feature Film – Artist/Designer)</i>	MOON Collective	Texas	2020
<i>Gruesome Playground Injuries</i> <i>(Theater - Adviser)</i>	Molly O'Donnell	University of California, Irvine	2018
<i>The Refugee Hotel</i> <i>(Theater - Artist)</i>	Jenny Clark / Juliette Carrillo	University of California, Irvine	2018

TEACHING EXPERIENCE & COURSE CREATION

Director of Outreach Programs

Workshops & Courses: [“Playing Evil”](#), [“Empathy Through Performance”](#), [“Writing & Performing Poetry”](#), [“Script Writing for Film”](#), [“Summer Apprenticeship Programs”](#) and various career development workshops
New Swan Shakespeare Center at UC, Irvine – visiting 20+ high school classrooms in Southern California

Dawar Arts, Egypt

[“Becoming Character” – 2 Workshops](#)

At Dawar Arts in Cairo, Egypt | April, 2021

S.P.O.T. Mentorship

[Stage Management & Direction Mentor](#)

At S.P.O.T. Mentorship (remote) | October, 2020 - 2021

Independent Projects | DRAMA 199

[Brown Bag Co.– “Movement Operetta, Devised Project” Director & Management Mentor](#)

At the University of California, Irvine | January - March, 2020

Introduction to Stage Management | DRAMA 50E

Course Instructor

At the University of California, Irvine | January - March, 2020

Performance Now | DRAMA 15 (two courses)

Teaching Assistant to Bryan Reynolds

At the University of California, Irvine | September - December, 2019 & June - July, 2020 (remote)

Performing Culture | DRAMA 16

Teaching Assistant to Bryan Reynolds

At the University of California, Irvine | June - July, 2020 (remote)

Choreography Projects | DANCE 165 & DANCE 171

Course's Digital-Media Creation Undergraduate Student Mentor

Teaching Assistant to Lisa Naugle & Lindsay Gilmour

At the University of California, Irvine | March - June, 2020 (remote)

Independent Projects | DRAMA 199 (7 courses)

Brown Bag Theater Company | Mentor to 15+ Undergraduate Students in Direction, Producing & Management

At the University of California, Irvine | 2019 - 2021

Digital Photography for the Stage

Undergraduate Workshop Instructor

At the University of Texas at El Paso | May, 2018

GUEST SPEAKER / GUEST LECTURER

Guest Workshop: "How to Mess-Up & Get Back Up"

KCACTF 8 Festival 56, at Glendale Community College, CA | February, 2024

Guest Lecture: "Creative Collaboration"

at Stephens College, Conservatory for the Performing Arts, IL | November, 2023 (remote)

Performance – Storytelling Through Music, Workshop

Jar of Sunshine & City of Santa Ana Afterschool Program, CA | November, 2023 & February, 2024

Devising & Community Engagement Workshop

Pomona College, CA | October, 2023

Performance Studies | DRAMA 129W

Guest Lecturer, with Prof. Bryan Reynolds

At the University of California, Irvine | January 2022 (remote)

PUBLICATIONS

- ReCreating the Stage, A Roundtable for Our New Reality | *Program Report & Research Findings – UC, Irvine*
November 2020 | co-authored with Elijah Punzal & Jessica Keasberry-Vnuk
- *USITT Theatre Design & Technology*
Spring 2018 Issue, photography, pg. 52 – 60
- *I See Red* (poetry & photography book) | ISBN 978-1365126468
Published on June 2016
Published under blog's penname *K. Zakrevski*

- *MINERO Magazine* – English/Spanish Translator
Summer 2015 Issue
- *The Prospector Newspaper* – Entertainment Reporter
January - May 2015

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Freelance Video Editor	Freelance, Various Clients	United States & Mexico	2018 - present
Freelance Portrait Photographer	Freelance, Various Clients	United States & Mexico	2014 - present
Graduate Teaching Assistantship	Joel Veenstra & Don Hill	UC Irvine, CA	2018 - 2021
Publicity / Layout Coordinator	Eli Simon	Irvine, CA	2019 - 2020
Lighting Shop Employee	Hideaki Tsutsui	UT at El Paso, TX	2016 - 2018
House Manager	Adriana Dominguez	UT at El Paso, TX	2017
Properties Master	Ross Fleming	UT at El Paso, TX	2016 - 2017
International Student Advisor	Rebecca Viramontez	UT at El Paso, TX	2015 - 2016
Spanish Translator	Kathleen Flores	UT at El Paso, TX	Summer 2015
Event & Portrait Photographer	Ziinemafotografia	Chihuahua, Mexico	2013 – 2015

ART / PHOTOGRAPHY SHOWCASES

Full Photographic Portfolio showcased at the San Diego Rep's *2020 Digital Latinx New Play Festival*
September 2020

16 Pieces showcased at *The Scratch Bakery Café* in Laguna Hills, CA
January 2019 – April 2019

1 Piece showcased at *Thresholds Art Show* at the UCI Student Center Viewpoint Gallery in Irvine, CA
April 2019

16 Pieces showcased at *thChrch* in El Paso, TX | at the lobby for *Mary's Wedding* by K.B Theater Company
May 2018

TRAINING & EDUCATION

University of California, Irvine (UCI) | **M.F.A. Candidate in Drama, Stage Management** (2021) [3.9 GPA]

UCI Division in Teaching Excellence & Innovation | **Certificate in Remote Instruction** (2020)

University of Texas at El Paso | **B.F.A. in Technical Theater** w/ concentration in *Stage Management* (2018) [3.72 GPA]

Colegio de Chihuahua, México | High School Diploma (2014) [3.8 GPA]

ICAF, México | Diplomate on Criminal Psychology & Forensic Ballistics (2013)

AWARDS / FELLOWSHIPS / SCHOLARSHIPS

- *Latino Excellence & Achievement Award*, University of California, Irvine | 2021
- *Chancellor's Club Fellowship*, University of California, Irvine | 2020 – 2021
- *CTSA Institute for 21st Century Creativity (21C) Grant Winner*, University of California, Irvine | 2021
- *Public Impact Fellowship*, University of California, Irvine | 2020
- *Inclusive Excellence Ambassador Fellowship*, University of California, Irvine | 2020
- *Medici Scholarship*, the Medici Circle | 2020
- *Creating Art in Challenging Times Award*, UCI Drama Department, Irvine | 2020
- *Dean's Scholarship Award*, University of California, Irvine | 2020-2021
- *1st Place Award for Segerstrom Center for the Arts "Brilliance" Festival* | 2019
- *Dean's Scholarship Award*, University of California, Irvine | 2019-2020
- *The Alan Rust Scholarship*, Monomoy Theatre | 2018

- BFA, Graduated with *Magna Cum Laude*, University of Texas at El Paso | 2018
- *Outstanding Technical Theatre Student Award*, University of Texas at El Paso | 2018
- *Good Neighbor Scholarship*, University of Texas at El Paso | 2017
- *Departmental Technical Theatre Scholarship*, University of Texas at El Paso | 2016, 2017, 2018

SKILLS

- Bilingual: English & Spanish
- Beginner level German
- CPR & First Aid certified 2019
- Grant writing experience
- Experience hosting / facilitating affinity spaces
- Adobe Creative Cloud proficiency
- Microsoft Office proficiency
- Hanging & focusing of lighting instruments
- ETC ION consoles programming
- Proficiency on Nikon, Sony, Fuji DSLR cameras
- Experience in video editing
- Professional experience in Graphic Design
- Professional experience in Journalism
- Valid driving license (California & México)

UNIVERSITY-LEVEL ORGANIZATIONS | LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

- University of California, Irvine | Brown Bag Theater Company, **Graduate Leadership Mentor** (2020-2021)
- University of California, Irvine | Students Mobilizing Change, **Supporting Consultant** (2020-2021)
- University of California, Irvine | Brown Bag Theater Company, **Managing Director** (2019-2020)
- University of Texas at El Paso | Playmakers, **Vice-President** (2017-2018)
- University of Texas at El Paso | Playmakers, **Secretary** (2016-2017)