Ahnika Lexvold

Passionate theater educator seeking a leadership role in programming. Committed to creating engaging learning experiences and fostering creativity in students. Skilled in program management and adapting to diverse environments. Dedicated to making a meaningful impact in education through the arts.

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EXPERIENCE

Little Canada Elementary, Little Canada, MN — *Out of School Time Site Coordinator*

October 2022 - March 2023

- * Supervised a staff of seven in planning and implementing before and after school programming for an average of 60 students a day.
- * Oversaw daily operations, including behavior interventions, parent communication, and record keeping.
- * Managed budget and forged community partnerships to create new after-school programs.
- * Coordinated communication and opportunities for collaboration between school day staff and community education staff.

Adventures in Cardboard, Twin Cities, MN — *Art and Play Instructor/Castle Coordinator*

May 2021 - PRESENT

- * Engage with and guide large groups of campers, ages 7-16, in activities centered around theatre, visual arts, and competition.
- * Design and execute dynamic programming that immerses campers in a fantasy roleplay environment, fostering creativity and teamwork.
- * Develop captivating storylines and exciting adventures for campers to participate in throughout the week, fostering imagination and storytelling abilities.

GREAT Children's Theatre, St. Cloud, MN — *Teaching Artist*

May 2015 - August 2019

- * Managed groups of 30+ students, ages 5-9 and 9-14, to create performed pieces in one week.
- * Created curriculum for a week-long comedy intensive for high school students.
- * Worked with children through the after-school program Targeted Services to teach social skills, life skills, and promote self-growth and confidence.

EDUCATION

Saint Mary's University of MN, Winona, MN — B.A. Theatre Graduated 2020 Summa Cum Laude

Acting/Directing Track (Including semester abroad in London, UK - Fall 2019)

Gaiety School of Acting, Dublin, Ireland

Winter 2019

Acting and Irish Theatre Intensive - included training in viewpoints and absurdist theatre

Professional Development Workshop, St. Cloud, MN

May 22, 2018

"Discipline with the Brain in Mind" led by Kate Butkowski through GREAT Theatre

SKILLS

Crisis Prevention and Intervention Certified

CPR, First Aid, and AED Certified

Classroom and Behavior Management

Adaptive Lesson Planning

Google Apps and Microsoft Office Suites

Advanced Piano and Voice

Advanced Sewing and Stage Makeup

Trained Figure Skating Coach

Basic Ballet, Jazz, Modern, and Swing Dance

ACHIEVEMENTS AND HONORS

Self-Produced, Directed, Costumed, and Marketed "Much Ado About Nothing" | The Past is Future Project at the Phoenix Theatre, April 2022

Theatre Department's

Outstanding Senior | Class of 2020

APO Theatre Honors Fraternity | Inducted April 2020

Dean's List (3.9 GPA) | Fall 2017 - Spring 2020

Chamber Singers (Soprano II) | Fall 2017 - Spring 2019, International Tour 2019

RELATED AREAS OF EXPERIENCE

Directing

Stage Management

Music Theory

Costume Design

Makeup Design

Puppet theatre

Dialects

Nannying

Retail/Customer Service