



ARDEN KELLY

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EDUCATION

2021 MFA Theatre Directing (Distinction)
East 15/University of Essex, UK

2003 BFA Acting (Awarded a full scholarship)
The Juilliard School, NYC

ARTISTIC EXPERIENCE

DIRECTING

Currently developing

JINXED by Jeronimo de Cancer, translated by Jason Yancey
Theater with a Mission, FL

Current developing

THE LAND OF JAUJA by Lope de Rueda, translated by Jason Yancey
Theater with a Mission, FL

August 2021

BONE DEEP, (a play with music) written by Lois Zoppi with music by Sarah Weiler
ETCETERA THEATRE - CAMDEN FRINGE - LONDON, UK

2 - 6 AUGUST 2021

3 AUGUST BSL Interpreted performance

March 2021

FLORIDA FOR SALE, (Stage to Screen) by Dr. Ben Gunter, Loco for Love Festival Virtual Show, FL, USA

April 2021

BONE DEEP, (Audio play) by Lois Zoppi, UK

April 2019

“CLUE! THE MUSICAL,” for Monticello Acting & Dance Co., Monticello Opera House, FL, USA

September 2018

TELENOVELA SMACKDOWN! by Dr. Ben Gunter, Loco for Love Festival, The Mickee Faust Theatre, FL, USA

ASSISTANT DIRECTING

July 2021

SUMMERFOLK, by Maxim Gorky, directed by John Gillett, Studio 5, Roding House, East 15/University of Essex, UK

June 2018

EI RETABLO DE LAS MARAVILLAS, (Spanish-English bilingual play) written and directed by Dr. Ben Gunter, The Mickee Faust Theatre, FL, USA

June 2018

EL RETABLO DE LAS MARAVILLAS, (Spanish-English bilingual play) written and directed by Dr. Ben Gunter, Literary Managers and Dramaturgs of the Americas “Crossing Borders” conference Lucie and Thornton Blackburn Conference Centre Toronto, Ontario, Canada

PRODUCING

August 2021

BONE DEEP, (a new play with music) written by Lois Zoppi & music by Sarah Weiler
ETCETERA THEATRE - CAMDEN FRINGE 2 - 6 AUGUST 2021
3 AUGUST BSL Interpreted

EAST 15/UNIVERSITY OF ESSEX DIRECTING

June 2021

THE SPACE BETWEEN US, (Devised Work) Littlewood Theatre, Essex, UK

May 2021

CONNECTIONS, (Devised Work) Littlewood Theatre, Essex, UK

May 2020

AAAATV, (Devised Work) Zoom Online Performance, UK

January 2020

SEPARATION ANXIETY, (Devised Work) Clifftown Theatre, Southend-on-Sea, UK

January 2020

WHEN YOU STEP I FALL, (Devised Work) Co-Director - Thanet Youth & Community Centre, London, UK

January 2020

THE FREUD MUSEUM, (Devised Work) Co-Director - Thanet Youth & Community Centre, London, UK

December 2019

THE PLIGHT OF..., (Devised Work) Littlewood Theatre, Loughton, Essex, UK

VOICE & TEXT COACHING

November 2018

MURDEROUS, MOVEABLE MACBETH, The Mickee Faust Theatre, FL, USA

ACTING & VOICE OVER

1996 - 1999 & 2003 - 2016

New York City, NY, MA, NC, MO, Los Angeles, CA

Theatre, TV, Radio & Film

Professional Actor/Singer/Dancer/Voice over Artist

Played in original musicals; Shakespeare, contemporary & new plays; soap operas; short films; and commercials on the radio

<https://www.imdb.com/name/nm5923785/>

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

January 2022 - Current

Tallahassee Community College, Tallahassee, FL

Acting coach

Speech and Debate Team

One-on-one coaching, focusing on storytelling, character development and voice and speech use for poetry.

October 2017 - May 2019

Leon County Schools, Tallahassee, FL

Hawks Rise Elementary School

Principal: Beth Jackson

On-Call Substitute Teacher

Taught almost every day in the following subjects: English, Math, Science, Art, Music and PE to mainstream children and children with special needs, ages 3-12.

2003 - 2017

New York City, Los Angeles, Florida and online

Private Coach

Professional one-on-one coaching in acting, voice & speech, Shakespeare and voice-over

2017

The Mickee Faust Club, Tallahassee, FL

Artistic Director: Terry Galloway

Instructor - Shakespeare Text Workshop

Prepared the 20 person cast of *Murderous, Moveable, Macbeth*, with skills to approach the rhythm and use of language in the text of Shakespeare's *Macbeth*

WORK EXPERIENCE

December 2021 - Current

TJX Companies

TJMaxx, Tallahassee, FL

Asst. Store Manager: Catura Richardson

Sales Associate

Excelled in good customer service

May 2019 - August 2019

TJX Companies

TJMaxx, Tallahassee, FL

Area Manager: Whitney Prince

Sales Associate

Excelled in good customer service

August 2014 - June 2017

Wolfgang Puck Catering, Los Angeles, CA

Contact: Ramon Leon

Butler/Server

Fine dining butler for guests numbering from 10 to 3000

August 2003 - July 2014

Equinox, NYC, NY & West Hollywood, CA

Area Manager: Gian Pozzolini

Sales Advisor & Front Desk Manager

Signed up new members at this high-end fitness club and hosted 5000+ club members at this busy gym

AFFILIATIONS

Board member of Monticello Acting & Dance Co.

Proud member of Actor's Equity Association & SAG-AFTRA

AWARDS

2021 Graduated with Distinction from East 15/University of Essex MFA

2016 \$100 First Place Comedic Monologue Slam LA, CA

2016 \$100 First Place Dramatic Monologue Slam LA, CA

1999 Awarded a 4 year - Full scholarship to The Juilliard School

REFERENCES

Matthew Lloyd, East 15 Directing Course Leader, Loughton, Essex

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Dr. Ben Gunter, Producer & Director of Theater With a Mission, Florida, USA
bengunter@theaterwithamission.com

Melanie Mays, Producer of MadCo., Florida, USA
melaniemays@yahoo.com