



ARDEN KELLY

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EDUCATION

2021 MFA Theatre Directing (Graduated with Distinction)
East 15 Acting School/University of Essex, UK

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

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fall 2022 - Present
Tallahassee Community College
Adjunct Professor Communications & Humanities Department

Musical Theatre

Teaches techniques of singing, auditioning and acting a song. Shares practices in how to work with an accompanist and musical director. Shares techniques for vocal variety, improved breath capacity, diction, intention and dynamics. Directs the showcase of students who sing solos, and dance and sing a group number.

Theatre Appreciation

Facilitates acting, playwriting, character, voice & speech and devising games. Facilitates the reading/performance of texts from Ancient Greece, Shakespeare, and modern award-winning plays from Africa and the US. Discusses the elements of theatre, especially musical theatre. Advises the students step by step to composing a literary critique on a modern play or musical of their choosing.

Oral Interpretation

Teaches the different ways to share a story in the form of poetry, prose, dramatic interpretation and duo. Teaches voice and speech techniques to facilitate characters and express emotions.

January 2022 - Present
Tallahassee Community College
Coach of National Award winning Speech & Debate Team
TCC & FSU students

Acting Coach

Facilitates the development of different characters through movement, exploring imagination and connecting/playing with emotions.

Voice and Speech Coach

Facilitates games to free the voice and body from tension. Guides team members through exercises that focus on cleaning up diction.

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

WORK EXPERIENCE

May 2019 - Aug 2019 & Dec 2021 - June 2023

TJX Companies

TJMaxx, Tallahassee, FL

Area Manager: Monique Groomes

Sales Associate & Bank Counter

Trained new associates at point of sale & counted the banks from all of the registers.

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.

ARTISTIC EXPERIENCE

Directing

July 2022

CONTRACT FULLY EXECUTED

5th Micro Theater Festival
Tallahassee Hispanic Theater

March 2022 - Mini-tour
THE LAND OF JAUJA & JINXED
Theater with a Mission

August 2021 - Director & Producer
BONE DEEP, (a play with music) written by Lois Zoppi with music by Sarah Weiler
ETCETERA THEATRE - CAMDEN FRINGE - LONDON, UK
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
EL RETABLO DE LAS MARAVILLAS, (Spanish-English bilingual play) written and directed by Dr. Ben Gunter, The Mickee Faust Theatre, FL, USA

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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

Voice & Text Coaching

November 2018
MURDEROUS, MOVEABLE MACBETH, The Mickee Faust Theatre, FL, USA

Professional Actor/Singer/Dancer/Voice over Artist

1996 - 1999 & 2003 - 2016

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

Theatre, TV, Radio & Film

Performed in original musicals; Shakespeare, contemporary & new plays; soap operas; short films; and commercials on TV and radio.

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

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2023 Successfully completed Academy of Teaching, Learning, and Success (ATLAS)

AFFILIATIONS

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

Member of the Tallahassee Women's Newcomers Club

Former board member of Monticello Acting & Dance Co.

AWARDS

2022 Collie-Taylor Fellowship Award for Coaches

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

John Schultz, Speech & Foreign Language Program Chair, Tallahassee Community College, FL

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Allison Winter, Speech & Debate Coach, University of Florida,

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

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Matthew Coulton, UK Actor, London, www.matthewcoulton.co.uk

Dr. Ben Gunter, Producer & Director of Theater With a Mission, Florida, USA

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