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#### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

## **EDUCATION**

# University of Utah, Salt Lake City (2014)

Master of Fine Arts in Film & Media Arts

Graduate Certificate in Screendance

# University of California, Los Angeles (2000)

Bachelor of Arts in World Arts & Cultures

# University of California, Berkeley (Fall 1998)

Participated in the UC Intercampus Visitor Program for a semester

## CREATIVE RESEARCH: SCREENDANCE & MUSIC VIDEOS

## **DIRECTOR & DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY**

## **Night Theme** (2017, TRT 5:20)

Co-Director & Co-Director of Photography: Heath Orchard; Original Music by James Williamson & Scott Thurston; Choreographed by Meghan Horowitz; Lead Dancer: Anica Bottom

2017 San Francisco Dance Film Festival, San Francisco, CA

2017 Premiered, Yahoo! Music

## Just So (2016, TRT 8:57)

Choreographed by Amy Seiwert; Dancers: Brandon "Private" Freeman, Pascal Molat

- 2017 Perth Dance Festival, Perth, Scotland
- 2017 Words on Dance, San Francisco, CA
- 2017 Short Waves Festival: Dances with Camera, Poznań, Poland
- 2017 Tiny Dance Film Festival, San Francisco, CA
- 2016 Premiered, San Francisco Dance Film Festival, San Francisco, CA

## The Colour of Your Dreams (2012, TRT 2:10)

Choreographed by Sarah Longoria; Dancers: Vinnie Prisbrey, Sarah Longoria

2014 Spring Showcase, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT

2013 Premiered, Municipal Ballet Co. live performance, Sugar Space, Salt Lake City, UT

# Laurencia (2012, TRT 2:09)

Regina Zarhina, Ballet Mistress; Dancer: Morgan Butler

2013 Editors' Choice: Winner of *Pointe* magazine's April Video of the Month

# **Rebirth** (2011, TRT 2:09)

Choreographed by Holly Martin; Dancer: Jessica Liu

2016 Videodanza DV Danza Habana Movimiento y Ciudad, Havana, Cuba

2013 Premiered, University of Utah International Screendance Festival, Salt Lake City, UT

# *Glimpses* (2009, TRT 3:24)

Choreographed and Performed by Greta Schoenberg

2011 Premiered, San Francisco International Women's Film Festival

## *Gimme Shelter* (2000, TRT 6:51)

Choreographed and Performed by Jenay Kiddoo

## **DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY**

## *Light* (2017, TRT 57:00)

Directed by Tatsu Aoki; Choreographed by Lenora Lee; Dancers: Lenora Lee Dance;

Directors of Photography: Tatsu Aoki, Zhuoyun Chen, Joshua Chuck, Ben Estabrook, Eric Koziol, Heath Orchard, Joel Wanek

- 2017 San Francisco Dance Film Festival, San Francisco, CA
- 2017 Best Experimental Film, Canada International Film Festival, Vancouver, BC
- 2017 DisOrient Asian American Film Festival of Oregon, Eugene, OR
- 2017 Premiered, CAAMFEST, San Francisco, CA

## **Open** (2015, TRT 4:00)

Directed by Lindsay Gauthier; Choreographed by Dana Genshaft; Dancers: Michael Montgomery, Laura O'Malley

- 2017 Dance Camera West, Los Angeles, CA
- 2015 Premiered, San Francisco Dance Film Festival

## **The Detached** (2014, TRT 13:00)

Directed by Tatsu Aoki; Choreographed by Lenora Lee; Performed by Lenora Lee Dance 2013 Screened at Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL

## *since you went* (2013, TRT 3:38)

Directed, Choreographed, and Performed by RAWdance: Wendy Rein and Ryan Smith

- 2015 Bestias Danzantes, hosted by Las Cabras Creative Lab in Santiago, Chile
- 2015 Cinedans Festival, presented by the EYE Film Institute Netherlands in Amsterdam
- 2014 Kinetoscope: Screendance Film Festival, Montana's Bare Bait Dance
- 2014 Sans Souci Festival of Dance Cinema, Colorado's Boulder Public Library
- 2014 Dance on Camera Tour, University of Michigan
- 2014 City Art Link at the Östergötlands Museum in Linköping, Sweden
- 2014 Avayava Contemporary Dance Festival in Pune, India
- 2014 Horizon Screendance Festival in North Hampshire
- 2014 San Francisco Dance Film Festival
- 2014 Dance on Camera, New York City
- 2013 Movies by Movers, North Carolina's High Point University
- 2013 San Francisco's inaugural Tiny Dance Film Festival, presented by detour dance

## **The Escape** (2013, TRT 30:00)

Directed by Tatsu Aoki; Choreographed by Lenora Lee; Performed by Lenora Lee Dance 2013 18th Annual Asian American Showcase, Chicago

## *The Escape, Reflections & Passages* (2013, installation)

Directed by Tatsu Aoki; Choreographed by Lenora Lee; Performed by Lenora Lee Dance 2013 Installation and video, de Young Museum's Kimball Gallery, San Francisco

# **Veronica & Vincent** (2012, TRT 6:10)

Directed and Choreographed by Amy Seiwert; Dancers: Brandon "Private" Freeman, Andrea Basile

2017 Digital Dance Concert at the World Dance Alliance Americas Global Summit, St.

John's, Newfoundland, Canada

- 2015 Short Waves Festival: Dances with Camera, Poznań, Poland
- 2015 The Outlet Dance Project, Hamilton, NJ
- 2013 IMZ's dancescreen with San Francisco Dance Film Festival, San Francisco, CA
- 2013 Sans Souci Festival of Dance Cinema, Boulder, CO
- 2013 Premiered, Dance Camera West, Los Angeles

## **Reflections** (2012, TRT 5:00)

Directed and Choreographed by Lenora Lee; Performed by Lenora Lee Dance

2013 Premiered, San Francisco Dance Film Festival

# *Private Life* (2011, TRT 3:26) [pilot]

Directed and Choreographed by Deborah Slater; Dancer: Brandon "Private" Freeman Developed into a short that premiered at San Francisco Dance Film Festival in 2015

## *The Nightingale* (2011, TRT 21:26)

Directed and Choreographed by Greta Schoenberg; Dancers: Maria LaMance, Brandon "Private" Freeman, Noel Simonse, Greta Schoenberg

Distributed by TenduTV in Season 2 of "Essential Dance Film Collection"

- 2011 Jumping Frames International Dance Video Showcase, Hong Kong
- 2011 Premiered, San Francisco Dance Film Festival

## Dance-u-mentary (2010) [pilot]

Directed and Choreographed by Katie Faulkner; Dancer: Brandon "Private" Freeman Headlands Center for the Arts, Sausalito, CA

## The Glitter Emergency (2010, TRT 20:00)

Directed by Paul Festa; Choreographed by Myles Thatcher; Dancers: Matthew Simmons, Sylvie Volosov, Jaime Garcia Castilla, Martyn Garside

2011 Premiered, San Francisco International LGBT Film Festival

## **Pretty Things** (2010, TRT 5:00)

Directed and Choreographed by Katie Faulkner; Performed by students of the Berkeley Dance Project

Commissioned by UC Berkeley for the Berkeley Dance Project

# *A Glamour* (2009, TRT 3:00)

Directed, Choreographed, and Performed by Monique Jenkinson

Commissioned by VOLUME for Scores, an art exhibition at Lawrimore Project in Seattle

## Float (2009, TRT 3:00)

Directed and Choreographed by Greta Schoenberg

REVIVE workshop in conjunction with the San Francisco Dance Center and the SF Art Institute

# Labyrinth Within (2008) [pilot]

Directed and Choreographed by Pontus Lidberg; Dancer: Greta Schoenberg Developed into short that won the Jury Prize for Best Picture at Dance on Camera

## **CAMERA OPERATOR**

## **Globe Trot** (2014, TRT 4:34)

Directed by Mitchell Rose; Choreographed by Bebe Miller

2014 Official Selection of Cinedans, Amsterdam

# **Love on the Run** (2010, TRT 6:34)

Directed by Austin Forbord; Choreographed by Brenda Way and KT Nelson; Performed by ODC/Dance

One of nine arts organizations across the country taking part in DANCE/USA's *Engaging Dance Audiences*, ODC/Dance screens this film as part of their *Speak Dance* project

#### **INTERN**

## *The Time it Takes* (2012, TRT 11:00)

Directed by Katrina McPherson and Simon Fildes; Dancers: Simon Ellis, Dai Jian, Rosalind Masson

2014 Official Selection of Cinedans, Amsterdam

## *Life Study #1* (2010, TRT 7:15)

Directed by Margaret Williams; Choreographed by Victoria Marks

2012 Official Selection of Sans Souci Festival of Dance Cinema, Boulder, CO

## **VIDEO DESIGN FOR STAGE** (Editor/Animator)

2013 Epiphany Productions, *Botany's Breath*, San Francisco Conservatory of Flowers

2010 Ensemble Parallèle, *Wozzeck*, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts

2007 Robert Moses' Kin, *Jokes Like That Can Get You Killed*, Stanford Lively Arts Joe Goode Performance Group, *Humansville*, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts

## **VIDEOGRAPHER** (Performance Documentation, 2006–Present)

San Francisco Ballet Erika Shuch Performance Project

LINES Ballet Kunst-stoff

Smuin Ballet Deborah Slater Dance Theater

ODC/Dance Eric Kupers/Dandelion Dance Theater
Joe Goode Performance Group Kathleen Hermesdorf/Motion Lab
Amy Seiwert's Imagery Savage Jazz Dance Company

Margaret Jenkins Dance Company Scott Wells & Dancers

Anna Halprin Smith/Wymore Disappearing Acts

Lucinda Childs Flyaway Productions Contraband/Sara Shelton Mann Project Bandaloop

Chitresh Das Dance Company Company C

Robert Moses' Kin University of Utah Department of Modern Dance

Liss Fain Dance University of Utah Department of Ballet

# **ASSISTANT EDITOR** (Documentaries, Los Angeles 2001)

Crazy Wisdom (Released 2011)

Directed by Johanna Demetrakas

*The New Americans* (Released 2004)

Directed by Renee Tajima-Peña

Out of Faith (Released 2006)

Directed by Lisa Leeman

*Limited Partnerships* (Released 2014)

Directed by Tom Miller

#### PROMOTIONAL FILMS

**SKETCH** 7 | Wandering (2017, TRT 3:56, Videographer)

Client: Amy Seiwert's Imagery

**Ballet West: Façades** (2015, 3 videos, TRT 1:15–1:32, Director/Videographer/Editor)

Client: Ballet West/Garrett Smith

*Open by Peerless* (2015, TRT 1:56, Director of Photography)

Client: Peerless Lighting

Restaurant Cheetah Explainer Video (2014, TRT 1:16, Director/Animator/Editor)

Client: Restaurant Cheetah

*Principal Highlight Videos* (2009–2010, 12 videos, TRT 1:08–1:55, Producer/Videographer)

Client: San Francisco Ballet

#### **TELEVISION SPOTS**

The Christmas Ballet (2014–2016, TRT 0:30, Animator)

Client: Smuin Ballet

*The Little Mermaid* (2010, TRT 0:30, Producer)

Client: San Francisco Ballet

**Swan Lake** (2010, TRT 0:30, Producer)

Client: San Francisco Ballet

Pink Martini (2010, TRT 0:30, Producer)

Client: San Francisco Symphony

Idina Menzel (2010, TRT 0:30, Producer)

Client: San Francisco Symphony

*Nutcracker* (2009, TRT 0:30, Producer/Animator)

Client: San Francisco Ballet

A New Way of Seeing Ballet (2009, TRT 0:30, Producer/Animator)

Client: San Francisco Ballet

## **TEACHING**

## University of California, Berkeley (2017)

*Lecturer*, "Film Production for Dance and Movement," Department of Theater, Dance, and Performance Studies (Summer 2017)

## University of Utah (2011–2014)

Lecturer, "Introduction to Film," Department of Film & Media Arts (Spring 2013)

*Lecturer*, "Performance Documentation and Editing," Departments of Modern Dance, Ballet, and Film (Fall 2012)

*Teaching Assistant*, "Advanced Film Production," Department of Film & Media Arts (Fall 2012, Spring 2014)

*Teaching Assistant*, "Introduction to Film," Department of Film & Media Arts (Fall 2011, Spring 2012)

San Francisco Dance Film Festival, Resident Workshop Instructor (2010–2013, 2015) Workshop covering a range of topics related to screendance including history, theory, and practice

#### **INVITED LECTURES**

Mills College Dance Department, Guest Teacher: Screendance (Fall 2015)

**Stanford University** Department of Theater & Performance Studies, Guest Teacher: Screendance Workshop (Spring 2012)

**Brigham Young University** Department of Dance, Guest Teacher: Screendance Workshop (Fall 2012)

#### PROFESSIONAL WORKSHOPS

**Symposium for Teachers of Screendance**, Duke University (2015)

Led by Douglas Rosenberg and Katrina McPherson, the symposium initiated the development of a screendance pedagogy

**Katrina McPherson**, University of Utah (2011)

Weeklong workshop for improvisational shooting techniques for screendance

**Thierry de Mey**, University of California, Los Angeles (2007)

Weeklong workshop studying the films and process of de Mey

## **ADJUDICATION**

San Francisco Dance Film Festival, San Francisco, CA (2010, 2011, 2015–Present)

Programming Committee

**Utah Dance Film Festival**, Provo, UT (2014)

Juror

**University of Utah International Screendance Festival**, Salt Lake City, UT (2013)

Screening Panel Member

Young at Art, San Francisco Youth Film Festival, San Francisco, CA (2007)

Juror

#### **GRANTS**

College of Fine Arts: Fine Arts Fees Grant, University of Utah (2014)

\$5,000 to produce Spring Student Film Showcase

#### **AWARDS**

**Izzie** Nomination in Outstanding Achievement in Visual Design (2013) *Reflections*, Lenora Lee Dance

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

Far West Popular Culture Association, Las Vegas, NV (2013)

"Capturing Ballet and Boxing on Film: How *The Red Shoes* Influenced *Raging Bull*"

#### **MEDIA APPEARANCES**

The International Journal of Screendance, Vol 6, 2016

Screendance: Learning, Teaching, Living

Dance Studio Life, January 2016

Picture Perfect

Dance Studio Life, August 2014

Higher-Ed Voice | Dance for the Camera

Dance Studio Life, December 2013

Android-Made Art

KRCL Radio, May 2, 2012

Interview with Chante Burch about integrating arts into dance

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

San Francisco Dance Film Festival, San Francisco, CA (2010–Present)

Co-founder, Technical Director, Resident Workshop Instructor

Sundance Film Festival, Park City, UT (2017)

A/V Consultant

Amy Seiwert's Imagery, Contemporary Ballet Company, San Francisco, CA (2013–Present)

Video Consultant

## SERVICE TO ARTISTIC ORGANIZATIONS

**Sundance Film Festival**, Park City, UT (2012–2015)

Videographer

Spring Student Film Showcase, Salt Lake City, UT (2014)

Producer, Technical Director

University of Utah International Screendance Festival, Salt Lake City, UT (2013)

Technical Director