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EDUCATION

PhD, Theatre and Performance

Current Student, University at Buffalo, Fall 2023-Present

M.A., Theatre Arts, GPA 4.0

Villanova University, Graduated May 2023

B.A., Theatre Arts Major, Philosophy Minor, GPA 4.0

California State University, Fresno, Graduated May 2021

PUBLICATIONS

(Forthcoming) "'I want to bless somebody with how soft I can be': Disidentifications with Softness in James Ijames' *Fat Ham*." In *Revenge is Mad Hard: Fat Ham and the Question of Cultural Reclamation*, edited by Valerie Clayman Pye and Danielle Rosvally. Palgrave Macmillan, 2025.

"'Is This Thing On?': Staging Gender, Sexuality, and Race via Metatheatricality" *Concept: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Graduate Studies* 46 (2023). Villanova University.

CONFERENCES

"'How Dare You Presume I'd Rather Be Thin': Origins/Iterations of Fat Activism & Performances of Fatness." Paper presented at the Association for Theatre in Higher Education Conference. Atlanta, GA, August 3, 2024

"Sorrow as an Oppressive Force: Fat Bodies and Unhappy Endings in the Theater." Paper presented at the Modern Language Association Convention, Philadelphia, PA, January 6, 2024.

"Fiction Becomes Reality: The Role of Representation in DEI&A Efforts for Theatre." Paper presented at the Philadelphia Theatre Research Symposium, Villanova, PA, May 5, 2023.

"Tolerance and Hospitality: Is Tolerance Enough?" Paper presented at the annual Fresno State Philosophy Department Voicing Ideas Student Conference, Fresno, CA, April 8, 2021.

TEACHING

Instructor: Performing America, Department of Theatre and Dance, University at Buffalo, Fall 2024.

TA: Global Dance Studies, Department of Theatre and Dance, University at Buffalo, Spring 2024.

SERVICE

Graduate Student Representative, LGBTQ+ Focus Group, Fall 2024-

Student Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Representative on the Villanova Theatre Department DEI Committee and Student Council (Spring 2022 – Spring 2023)

Peer Reviewer for Villanova Graduate Studies CONCEPT Journal (Spring 2023)

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & SCHOLARSHIPS

University at Buffalo, College of Arts and Sciences Diversity Fellowship, 2023.

AWARDS & HONORS

American Theatre and Drama Society (ATDS) Emerging Scholar Award, 2024.

Fresno State, College of Arts and Humanities, Student of Distinction and Standard Bearer, 2021

Member of the 2020-2021 Fresno State College of Arts and Humanities Honors Cohort

Irene Ryan Acting Nominee, 2018

SELECTED CREATIVE ACTIVITY

DRAMATURGY

SHOW	THEATRE	DIRECTOR
<i>The Secretaries</i>	UB Theatre	Janet Werther
<i>Fefu and Her Friends</i>	UB Theatre	Lindsay Brandon Hunter
<i>Outrage</i>	UB Theatre	Mason Beggs
<i>How to Keep an Alien*</i>	Inis Nua Theatre	Charlotte Northeast

*Staged reading

SELECTED ACTING EXPERIENCE

SHOW	ROLE	THEATRE	DIRECTOR
<i>Henry VI II</i>	Somerset/Elianor/ Others	UB Theatre	Danielle Rosvally
<i>House of Desires</i>	Doña Ana	Villanova Theatre	James Ijames
<i>Men on Boats</i>	Goodman/Asa	Villanova Theatre	Kristy Dodson
<i>Anon(ymous)</i>	Nemasani	CSU Fresno	Gina Sandi-Diaz
<i>Be More Chill</i>	Christine	Selma Arts Center	Miguel Gastelum
<i>Miss Bennet: Christmas...</i>	Lydia Wickham	CSU Fresno	Brad Myers
<i>The Wolves</i>	#8	CSU Fresno	Kathleen McKinley
<i>Urinetown</i>	Ensemble	Stageworks Fresno	Joel Abels
<i>Mysteryrat's Maze</i>	Various (voice work)	(Podcast)	Lorie Lewis Ham

COSTUMES

SHOW	POSITION	THEATRE	DIRECTOR
<i>Sunday in the Park...</i>	First Hand	Villanova Theatre	Valerie M. Joyce
<i>Chrysalis</i>	Asst. to Costume Designer	Villanova Theatre	Edward Sobel
<i>Stupid F**king Ship</i>	Costume Manager	Villanova Theatre	Various
<i>House of Desires</i>	Asst. to Costume Designer	Villanova Theatre	James Ijames
<i>Curtains</i>	Asst. to Costume Designer	Villanova Theatre	Fr. Peter Donohue
<i>The Revolutionists</i>	First Hand	Villanova Theatre	Valerie M. Joyce
<i>White</i>	Asst. to Costume Designer	Villanova Theatre	James Ijames

OTHER PRACTICAL THEATRICAL EXPERIENCE

SHOW	POSITION	THEATRE	DIRECTOR
<i>Heart's Desire</i>	Stage Manager	Villanova Theatre	Kenzie Bradley
<i>Beckett Bites</i>	Assistant Stage Manager	Villanova Theatre	Edward Sobel
Z	Director, Playwright, Video Editor	Experimental Theatre Company (CSU Fresno)	
<i>A Streetcar Named...</i>	Light Board Operator	CSU Fresno	Kathleen McKinley