

BJ WILKINSON

LIGHTING DESIGN & EDUCATION

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Current Employment

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY
Head of Lighting
Assistant Professor
Aug 2018 - Current

QUILL THEATRE
Resident Lighting Designer
Feb 2012 - Current

VIRGINIA REPERTORY THEATRE
Resident Lighting Designer & Lighting Supervisor
July 2014 - Current

Education

UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI COLLEGE CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC
MFA Lighting Design
Cincinnati, OH

UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN COLORADO
BA Theatre Design & Technology
Greeley, CO

Academic Appointments

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY **Head of Lighting Design & Assistant Professor** | Fall 2021-Current
Head of Lighting Design | Fall 2020
Adjunct Assistant Professor | Fall 2018

JOHN TYLER COMMUNITY COLLEGE **Adjunct Assistant Professor** | 2013 & 2020

UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI- CCM **Adjunct Assistant Professor** | 2009 & 2011

Teaching Experience

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY **Electricity for Stage** | THEA 225

- A study of the properties and basic principles of electricity as they relate to the utilization of light on the stage. Participation in departmental productions

Introduction to Lighting Design | THEA 229

- A study of issues concerning the properties of light and electricity as they relate to theatre including design, composition and color

Advanced Lighting Design II | THEA 337

- Advanced study of lighting design, incorporating increasingly difficult texts, rep plots, facilities and production styles. Further exploration of the process of lighting design for theatre and other related events. Projects focus intensely on communication and the collaborative process

Advanced Lighting Design III | THEA 437

- Course incorporates increasingly difficult texts, facilities and production styles and alternative venue and production styles, such as landscape lighting and concert. Use of industry standard technology and 3-D rendering is a focus in the class

Practicum in Stage Lighting | THEA 324

- Practical application in the methodologies of stage lighting

JOHN TYLER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Basic Lighting | CST-245

- Studies basic techniques and methods of lighting design for the stage

Stage Lighting and Sound | CST-251

- Provides students with a basic understanding of the principles of stage lighting and sound. Instructs students in the fundamentals of stage lighting such as: functions of lighting, qualities of light, design, basic electricity, lighting instruments and equipment, board operation, and safety. Instruct students in the functions of sound, equipment, design, and sound operation

UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI- CCM

Digital Portfolio | THPR-533

- Creating a professional website to display digital portfolios, focusing on graphical layout and user interface

Stage Lighting I | THPR-209

- Teaching graphical standards for theatrical drafting, and creating a theoretical Lighting Design for a production

Advanced Vectorworks | THPR-709

- Course exploring advanced Vectorworks including lighting and the use of 3D design

Service

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY

Production & Design Time Log

- Created and maintained a system for logging production and design time outside of the classroom. This will be used to determine the time students are committing to a production and a record of time spent

Technical Supervision | THEA 337

- Supervising student designer's during events & productions, and providing guidance in the art and craft of lighting technology and design

Technical Advisor | THEA 437

- Providing recommendations for the new Arts and Innovation Academic Building, including layout and usage of various spaces

VIRGINIA REPERTORY THEATRE

Annual Gala Fundraiser

- Provided Lighting Design & support for live event, auction, and performance

Sensory Friendly and Audio Described Performances

- Coordinated with production staff to accommodate sensory friendly, and audio described performances

RTCC Awards

- Provided Lighting design and support for live award show, proceeds go to the Theatre Artists Fund of Greater Richmond

Intern Mentoring

- Mentored interns as part of a lighting crew, as well as in show run positions
- Supervised interns during design process for theatre camp productions

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Panelist

- Panelist for Entertainment Design & Technology in education

ELECTRONIC THEATRE CONTROLS

Augment3d Beta

- Participated in open Beta Testing for EOS 3.0 with Augment3d

ETC Select

- Participated in closed Beta testing for ETC Select quotations software

Related Experience

FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER

Assistant TD & Lighting Supervisor | Aug 2009 - Dec 2011

- Maintained Lighting equipment, & aided in the construction & run of various productions
- Productions included children's programming, theatrical productions, concerts, ballet and special events

CROSS LIGHT INC.

Quotations and Estimations | May 2008 - Oct 2011

- Researched potential projects and installations
- Prepared quotations for bid submittal
- Aided project management for purchases & installation
- Beta tester for quotations software

INTRAMUSIC THEATRICALS

Tour TD and Lighting Supervisor | 2007 & 2008

- 1st National Tour of A Year with Frog and Toad
- Advanced the production with various tour locations
- Supervised load in, focus, show run, & strike

NEBRASKA THEATRE CARAVAN

Tour Assistant Electrician | 2004

- Assisted head electrician with load in, show run, & strike
- Provided power for backstage lighting & atmospherics
- Operated 24' truck

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY

Men on Boats

Richmond, VA

Sharon Ott

Oct. 2021

VIRGINIA REPERTORY THEATRE

It's a Wonderful Life - Live Radio Play

Ella and her fella Frank

Freckleface Strawberry

Chicago

**The 39 Steps*

Rogers and Hammerstein's Cinderella

^Tuck Everlasting, TYA Edition

**A Gentlemen's Guide to Love and Murder*

Forever Plaid

**Atlantis: The New Musical*

The Game's afoot: Holmes for the Holidays

Sister Act

Mr. Popper's Penguins

***The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime*

Knuffle Bunny

West Side Story

^River Ditty

Pinkalicious the Musical

Erma Bombeck: At Wit's End

Miracle on South Division Street

Mary Poppins

Shakespeare in Love

Akeelah and the Bee

**DA*

*^ **The End of War*

Dancing Lessons

^The Charitable Sisterhood Christmas Spectacular

Junie B. Jones

1776

**Summer and Smoke*

^Croaker: The Frog Prince Musical

I do, I do

The Velveteen Rabbit

Peter and the Starcatcher

+The Fabulous Lipitones

Last of the Red Hot Lovers

You're a Good Man Charlie Brown

***Whipping Man*

They're Playing our Song

Charlotte's Web

**Equivocation*

^The Charitable Sisterhood

Richmond, VA

Chelsea Burke

Dec 2021

Katrinah Lewis

June 2021

Chelsea Burke

Postponed

Nathaniel Shaw

Postponed

Nathaniel Shaw

Feb 2020

Laine Satterfield

Nov 2019

Matt Polson

Oct 2019

Kikau Alvaro

Sept 2019

Wes Seals

July 2019

Kristin Hangii

Apr 2019

Deb Clinton

Nov 2018

Robin Arthur

Nov 2018

Josh Chenard

Oct 2018

Nathaniel Shaw

Sept 2018

Susan Sanford

July 2018

Nathaniel Shaw

June 2018

Nathaniel Shaw

Apr 2018

Leslie Owens-Harrington

Apr 2018

John Moon

Feb 2017

Debora Clinton

Dec 2017

Chase Kniffen

Nov 2017

Jen Wineman

Oct 2017

Audra Honaker

Sept. 2017

Steve Perigard

July 2017

Nathaniel Shaw

Mar 2017

Jan Guarino

Feb 2017

Joe Pabst

Dec 2016

Chase Kniffen

Oct 2016

Debora Clinton

Sept 2016

Bruce Miller

Apr. 2016

Debora Clinton

Mar 2016

Bruce Miller

Feb 2016

K Strong

Dec 2015

Nathaniel Shaw

Oct 2015

John Markus

Sept 2015

Steve Perigard

July 2015

Susan Sanford

Feb 2015

Debra Clinton

Feb 2015

Jan Guarino

Nov 2014

Chase Kniffen

Oct2014

Jan Powell

Sep 2014

Bruce Miller

July 2014

* RTCC Award Outstanding achievement in Lighting design nomination.

** RTCC Award Outstanding Achievement in Lighting Design

^World Premier +Regional Premier

QUILL THEATRE/RICHMOND SHAKESPEARE

Twelfth Night
The Bottom Show
The Tempest
As you Like it
Romeo and Juliet
MacBeth
Love's Labour's Lost
Merchant of Venice
Twelfth Night
King Lear
Hamlet (WCVE PBS Studios)
Hamlet
Much Adu about Nothing
^Sam and Carol
Richard III
A Midsummer Night's Dream
Wittenberg
Death and the Maiden
Othello
The Comedy of Errors
The Tempest
A Child's Christmas in Wales
King John
Merry Wives of Windsor
Cymbeline
MacBeth

^World Premier.

Richmond, VA

Jan Powell May 2021
 James Ricks May 2021
 James Ricks May 2019
 James Ricks July 2018
 James Ricks May 2018
 Jan Powell July 2017
 James Ricks June 2017
 Jan Powell July 2016
 Steve Perigard Jun 2016
 Jan Powell Mar 2016
 Jan Powell Oct 2015
 Jan Powell July 2015
 Foster Solomon June 2015
 Jan Powell Feb 2015
 James Alexander Bond July 2014
 Jan Powell June 2014
 Paul Nicholas Mar 2014
 Gary Hopper Feb 2014
 Jan Powell July 2013
 Steve Perigard June 2013
 James Alexander Bond Mar 2013
 Jan Powell Dec 2012
 Jan Powell Sep 2012
 Shirley Kagan July 2012
 Tlolac Rivas June 2012
 Jan Powell Feb 2012

FREE JAMBALAYA

^Dr. Who and the Game of Death

^World Premier.

Richmond, VA

James Alexander Bond Nov 2013

UNIVERSITY OF WEST FLORIDA

Bat Boy: The Musical

Pensacola, FL

Kristen Danford Oct 2012

FAIRFIELD FOOTLIGHTERS

Plaza Suite
Parallel Lives
Moonlight and Magnolias
The Man who came to dinner
The Mouse Trap
The Grapes of Wrath
I hate Hamlet
Best Christmas Pageant Ever
Midlife the Crisis Musical

Fairfield, OH

Dana Bruce Berry Sep 2011
 Dana Bruce Berry May 2011
 April Osborne Feb 2011
 Dana Bruce Berry Nov 2010
 Patricia Davis Oct 2010
 Coby Osborne May 2010
 Heidi Schiller Feb 2010
 John Vanderplough Nov 2009
 Chris Beiser Oct 2009

MIAMI VALLEY BALLET THEATRE

The Nutcracker
Alice in Wonderland
Cinderella Ballet

Fairfield, OH

Michelle Davis '09, '10, '11
 Michelle Davis Dec 2010
 Michelle Davis Apr 2009

SOUTHERN OHIO LIGHT OPERA

Princess Ida
H.M.S. Pinafore
A Little Night Music
Madame Butterfly

Portsmouth, OH.

Dawn Harris July 2011
 Stan Workman July 2009
 Stan Workman July 2008
 Stan Workman July 2007

BALLET TECH OHIO

La Sylphide

Cincinnati, OH.

Marvel Gentry Davis Sep 2006

LITTLE THEATRE OF THE ROCKIES

Tuesdays With Morrie
Over the Tavern
My Fair Lady

Greeley, CO.

David Grapes Jul 2006
 Thomas McNally Aug 2006
 John Leonard Aug 2005

UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI, CCM

**Une Education Manquee*
**Le Pauvre Matelot*
**The Elixir of Love*
The Lady's Not For Burning
Serenade
**Therese*
Ballade

Cincinnati, OH.

Nic Muni Feb 2007
 Nic Muni Feb 2007
 Sandra Bernhard Feb 2007
 Richard Hess Oct 2006
 Bart Cook May 2006
 Sandra Bernhard Mar 2006
 Michael Tevlin Dec 2005

*= Winner National Opera Association Award

UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN COLORADO

Bat Boy The Musical
Who Will Carry The Word?
The Laramie Project

Greeley, CO.

Vance Fulkerson Mar 2004
 Charlotte Guyette Oct 2003
 Luanne Nunes De Char Apr 2003

Assistant Lighting Design

CINCINNATI BALLET

Giselle

Cincinnati, OH.

Trad A. Burns Nov. 2006

UTAH SHAKESPEAREAN FESTIVAL

Romeo and Juliet
Love's Labour's Lost
Dr. Faustus

Cedar City, UT.

Donna Ruzika Jun. 2005
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UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI, CCM

Crazy for You

Cincinnati, OH.

Jim Gage Nov. 2005

UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN COLORADO

Faust

Greeley, CO.

Charles Houghton Apr. 2004

Awards

RICHMOND THEATRE CRITICS CIRCLE

Outstanding Achievement in Lighting Design | *Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime*

Outstanding Achievement in Lighting Design | *The End of War*

Outstanding Achievement in Lighting Design | *The Whipping Man*

ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY THEATERS CINCINNATI / OHIO COMMUNITY THEATRE ASSOCIATION

Lighting Design Orchid Award | *I Hate Hamlet*

Lighting Design Orchid Award | *Grapes of Wrath*

PEGGY EZEKIEL AWARD

Outstanding Achievement | *The Elixir of Love*

NATIONAL OPERA ASSOCIATION

Class II Video Competition | *The Elixir of Love*

Class V Video Competition | *Une Education Manquee*

Class V Video Competition | *La Pauvre Matelot*

GENE CHESLEY MEMORIAL DESIGN AWARD

Utah Shakespearean Festival | *2005 Season*

ACTF

Lighting Design Achievement Commendation | *The Laramie Project*

Lighting Design Achievement Commendation | *Who Will Carry the Word?*

Lighting Design Meritorious Achievement | *Bat Boy the Musical*

Certifications

ELECTRONIC THEATRE CONTROLS

EOS Family software | Level 3 Certification

EOS Family software | Level 2 Certification

EOS Family software | Level 1 Certification

ETCP

ETCP | System Maintenance Certification

OSHA

OSHA | OSHA 10 Construction Certification

STATE OF VIRGINIA

VA DMV | Driver's License

Pattern "Gobo" Design

ROSCO LABORATORIES

R78437 | "Hypnotic Fan"

R78234 | "Shattered Glass"

R78235 | "Sphere Breakup"

R78236 | "Thorn Breakup"

Related skills

Vectorworks 2021

ETC Eos V3.0

Lightwright

Augment3d

Google Suite

Canvas

Zoom

Microsoft Office Suite

2d & 3d Drafting

Photoshop

Mobirise

Audacity

Carpentry

Rigging

Soldering

Mosaic Designer 2

Tinkercad

Basic Arduino

References

Please contact for references