

JONATHAN BECKER

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SUMMARY

Over 20 years of entrepreneurial activity as a creative, a collaborator, a mentor and an expert in the training of people. Skilled in the art of listening and the application of understandings to organized and efficient systems of approach.

SKILLS

- Public presentations
- Sculptor
- Effective written & verbal communication
- Social media (Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, Vimeo, Pinterest & LinkedIn)
- Photographer
- Facilitator
- Digital media marketing
- SEO optimization

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Successful small business owner serving an international community.
- Organized development workshops, residencies and training programs for 33 institutions in 6 countries teaching in 3 different languages.
- Succeeded in creating community engagement.
- Directed and lead large groups.
- Managed public information and public relations.
- Routinely worked with IT consultants.

SUMMARY OF SKILLS

Project Management

- Understanding of how to influence and manage project budgeting within structures and limitations.
- Knowledge of human resource budgeting.
- Effectively develop proposals.
- Manage client relations and communication.
- Work with project participants to insure project goals are achieved.
- Develop and monitor product performance and longevity.

Leadership/Teaching/Training

- Can work effectively with students at all levels and cross disciplines.
- Ability to intuit blocks and obstacles that individuals pose for themselves in the learning process.
- Effectively mentor and train individuals with many levels of experience.
- Create an atmosphere of mutual respect with team members, trainers & supervisors to produce high quality deliverables.
- Design and deliver curriculum to achieve desired outcomes.

Strategic Planning & Problem Solving

- Skilled at identifying and creating a map to accomplish goals.
- Assess situations, tasks and resources to determine outcomes.
- Work across disciplines to join competing value systems.
- Ability to see problems from multiple perspectives.
- Capability to define value criteria of expectations.
- Manage and meet deadlines.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

THEATER-MASKS.COM (Canton, Ohio) 1998 – Present
Full service production shop for theater masks and puppets serving clients at all levels of the entertainment industry in 50 countries.

Owner/Operator/Artist

- Responsible for mask and puppet design and construction, estimates, and buying of supplies
- Client correspondence, bookkeeping, shipping, marketing, and maintaining a working knowledge of the latest materials and techniques.

FREE LANCE TEACHING ARTIST 1988 - Present

Teacher of sculpture, physical comedy, masked performance and movement based actor-training techniques

- Responsible for tailoring workshops to clients needs
- Co-ordinate travel and teaching schedules (33 institutions on 3 continents)

BALL STATE UNIVERSITY, WEBSTER UNIVERSITY, NAROPA UNINERSITY 2001- 2018

Professor of Movement Training for Actors, Fight Choreographer, Collaborative Practices, and Physical Trainer

- Responsible for curriculum development and implementation
- Collaborative work with administrative committees responsible for hiring, recruiting and program operations
- Faculty representative to the University Senate

EDUCATION

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY (Richmond, Virginia)

Master of Fine Arts

- Pedagogy Degree, emphasis in movement and voice

UNIVERSITY OF AKRON (Akron, Ohio)

Master of Arts

- Physical Acting and Directing

THE COLLEGE OF WOOSTER (Wooster, Ohio)

Bachelor of Arts

- Liberal Arts Degree in Theatre

COMMUNITY BUILDING & SERVICE

Founded the **North American Laboratory for the Performing Arts** (NALPA), a space dedicated to the exploration of expression across artistic forms, styles, and genres. NALPA brings together regional, national, and international artists, scholars, teachers, and students. NALPA empowers its' participants to collaborate on new work and, in doing so, become agents of change.

Phone Counselor for the National Runaway Hotline.