

Jessica Werfel

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Experience

RUSSELL SCHOOL OF BALLET

July - August 2021 & 2023

Dance Teacher, Chantilly, VA

- Taught summer classes, mentored students ages 2-17 with personalized plans to achieve their goals
- Coordinated weekly studio scheduling, serving as a liaison between students and staff, supporting the flow of activities and ensure timelines are met smoothly and effectively
- Fostered a welcoming learning environment for 50+ students, by using inclusive language and modifying the curriculum to promote future accessibility

A PLACE TO BE

May - July 2023

Mentor, Middleburg, VA

- Mentored and assisted leading campers through theater games and new social interactions
- Found creative modifications that each camper could take to set them up for success
- Worked one-on-one with students during the day to ensure they received their needed accommodations

PEACEHAVEN COMMUNITY FARM

September 2023 - Present

Guest Teaching Artist, Whitsett, NC

- Planned and fully led planned workshops to meet the individual needs of residents with disabilities
- Adjusted dance improvisation lesson plan to be suitable for new dancers, shifting language to be more open-ended and inclusive for movement prompts
- Allowed participants to engage with dance improvisation, create visual art, and choose music; gave participants the ability to make choices depending on their interests and feelings

DANCE PLACE

May - August 2022

Studio Management & Administration Intern, Washington, D.C.

- Designed a studio rentals manual by compiling all known organizational rental information and proposing recommendations to improve future rental processes at Dance Place
- Developed a rigorous system to track studio rental requests and outstanding invoices, leading to the completion of over 100 studio rental agreements for dance artists in the metro- DC area

Education

ELON UNIVERSITY

Elon, NC

BFA Dance Performance & Choreography, BA Arts Administration, May 2024

- Accademia Europea di Firenze Study Abroad Spring 2023
- Elon Engagement Scholarship Recipient, Elon President's List
- Rhoades Grant Recipient 2022 for undergraduate research
- President of Elon DanceWorks
- Orientation Leader for New Student Programs, Returning OL of the Year Award 2023

Additional

- Technical Skills: MindBody, DocuSign, Hootsuite, Google Suite, Instagram, iMovie, Premiere
- Certifications: Digital Marketing- Hubspot, Child & Baby First Aid, CPR, AED; PRAXIS Parapro

References

- Chloe Conway, Dance Place Studio Education Manager, ideas@danceplace.org; (540) 623-0513
- Karla Petry, Russell School of Ballet Studio Owner; karla@rsbdance.com; (703) 978-5226