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Work History and Experience

❖ Technical Director for Blake Stage Company at James Hubert Blake High School - August 2024 to present

- Responsible for the direction and supervision of all students on backstage crews: including lighting, sound design/board operation, set and prop construction, makeup, hair, costume design/production, and backstage/run crew.
- Responsible for building and instructing students on building sets, using proper wood construction methods and safety standards. Directed and supported students in maintaining a safe, collaborative, and well-organized shop environment.
- Taught students proper execution of stagecraft principles, with the goal of students being able to competently self-manage performances with little to no assistance.
- Credits include: Mamma Mia 2024, Dr. Experimentor and the League of Evil 2025, The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee 2025, Argonautika 2025, Bremen Town Musicians 2026, The Lightning Thief 2026

❖ Apprentice of Scenic Carpentry at Norton Projects - February 2022 to August 2023

- Utilized knowledge of carpentry, painting, materials and other stagecraft techniques to create attractive and professional set pieces for a variety of events.
- Followed verbal and visual instruction (including Vectorworks designs) to build sets and props, arrange set pieces and materials, and create a product consistent with the client's vision for a variety of shows.
- Provided assistance to lead carpenter where needed to carry out a project in a safe and efficient manner, following best practices for set building and stagecraft.
- Carried out on-site design changes to sets, painting and other install per showrunners' and designer's needs.
- Credits include: National Christmas Tree Lighting 2022 (White House, install, carpenter), the Gershwin Prize 2023 (DAR Constitution Hall, install, lead scenic painter), Parade of Pyramids 2023 (Wheaton Arts Parade, carpenter), and Our Verse in Time to Come 2023 (Folger Shakespeare Library, carpenter).

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❖ Stage Manager at The Prince George's Philharmonic Orchestra - August 2022 to present

- Managed, planned, and executed set changes during rehearsals and performances (approx. 6 concerts per season, 5-7 rehearsals per concert). Responsible for reviewing and editing stage plots to ensure accuracy.
- Communicated with venue staff and in-house stage crews to ensure that directors' equipment and space needs were met.
- Supervised and assisted with equipment load-in, proper usage, and return.

Education

High School Diploma (James Hubert Blake High School) - May 2021

Additional Skills

- ❖ Familiar with Google Suite, AutoCAD, and Square Suite
- ❖ Experience with Allen & Heath soundboards and ETC Ion lighting consoles
- ❖ Intermediate sewist with experience in costuming
- ❖ Experienced props maker, familiar with a wide variety of construction materials
- ❖ Accomplished musician: viola and piano
- ❖ Violist with the Prince George's Philharmonic Orchestra, 5 years
- ❖ Montgomery County Forensics (public speaking/speech and debate) prize-winner
- ❖ Over a dozen lead and support roles in multiple stage shows, plays and musicals
- ❖ Private piano teacher for students ages 6-16
- ❖ Beginner graphic design experience

*References available upon request