

Mona Jahani

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Costume Designer & Technician

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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Michigan State University (MSU), East Lansing, MI

MFA Candidate in Theatre Design, 2023

Costume Design Emphasis

Washington University in St. Louis (WUSTL), St. Louis, MO

BA in Drama, 2020

Teaching Experience

Michigan State University

Instructor

Undergraduate Introduction to Technical Theatre Lecture, Fall 2022 and
Spring 2023

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Undergraduate Integrative Arts and Humanities: Creative Arts and
Humanities: The Creative Process, Kirk Domer, Summer 2022

Instructor

Undergraduate Theatre Practicum: Production Emphasis Laboratory,
Spring 2022

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Undergraduate Integrative Arts and Humanities: Theatre and Society, Dan
Smith, Fall 2021

Graduate Teaching Assistant/Course Grader

Undergraduate Theatre Practicum: Wardrobe, Levi Galloway, Fall 2020
and Spring 2021

Washington University in St. Louis

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

Undergraduate Introduction to Costume Construction, Spring 2019

Guest Lectures & Workshops

Guest Lecture

Michigan State University

Sophomore Seminar, Ann Folino White & Kirk Domer, Spring 2023

Theatrical Play Analysis, Mona Mansour & Middle Eastern American Theatre, Dan Smith, Fall 2022

Theatrical Play Analysis, Mona Mansour & Middle Eastern American Theatre, Ann Folino White, Spring 2022

Graduate Studies in Theatre History, Mona Mansour & Middle Eastern Theatre, Dan Smith, Spring 2021

Workshops

Michigan Educational Theatre Association, Michigan Thespian Festival

Digital Drawing for Theatre, 2021

Spartans Backstage, Michigan State University

Technology in Theatre- Procreate, 2022

Artistic Achievement

Costume Design

Professional Theatre

Williamston Theatre, Williamston MI

Be Here Now, dir. Rob Roznowski

Summer Circle Theatre, East Lansing MI

Pippin, dir. Rob Roznowski

St. Louis Actors Studio, St. Louis, MO

Comfort, dir. Annamaria Pileggi, 2020*

Shawnee Mission Theatre in the Park, Overland Park KS

West Side Story, dir. Mark Swezey, 2015

Educational Theatre

Michigan State University, East Lansing MI

Bright Star, dir. Brad Wilcuts, 2023

Monsieur d'Eon is a Woman, dir. Deric McNish, 2022

Wendy & the Neckbeards, dir. Claire Wilcher, 2021

Julius Caesar, dir. Stephen Brown-Fried, David Leong, Alexis Black, Brad Wilcuts, 2021

Listen. (&VOTE), dir. Rob Roznowski, 2020

Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis MO

Legally Blonde, dir. Annamaria Pileggi, 2019

Angels in America: Millennium Approaches, dir. Henry Schvey, 2019

Deep Water, chgph. David Marchant, 2018

Refuge, chgph. David Marchant, 2017

All Student Theatre (WUSTL student group), St. Louis, MO

Mild-Mannered Man the Musical, dir. Anne Accardi, 2020*

Noises Off, dir. Kate Biddle, 2018

*cancelled due to COVID-19

Assistant Costume Design

Professional Theatre

Stages, Houston, TX

MacGyver the Musical (world premier), des. Kristina Miller, 2022

Shawnee Mission Theatre in the Park, Overland Park, KS

Cabaret, designed by Leslie Spindler, 2016

Educational Theatre

Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis MO

Men on Boats, des. Nikki Glaros, 2020

The Rocky Horror Show, des. Nikki Glaros, 2018

August: Osage County, des. JC Krajicek, 2018

Urinetown: The Musical, des. Erica Frank, 2017
Macbeth, des. Teresa Doggett, 2017
Passing Strange, des. Bonnier Kruger, 2016
All Student Theater (WUSTL student group), St. Louis, MO
Expecting Isabel, des. Jacque Randolph, 2017

Dresser & Wardrobe Crew

Professional Theatre

The Muny, St. Louis, MO

Matilda, des. Leon Dobkowski, 2019
Footloose, des. Leon Dobkowski, 2019
Cinderella, des. Robin L. McGee, 2019
Guys & Dolls, des. Tristan Raines, 2019
Gypsy, des. Amy Clark, 2018
Annie, des. Leon Dobkowski, 2018
Singing in the Rain, des. Tristan Raines, 2018
The Wiz, des. Leon Dobkowski, 2018
Jerome Robbins Broadway, des. Robin L. McGee, 2018

The Pageant, St. Louis, MO

Janelle Monae (concert), 2018

Peabody Opera House, St. Louis, MO

Set it Off: Live on stage, 2018

The Fox Theatre, St. Louis, MO

The Lion King (National Tour), 2017
Something Rotten (National Tour), 2017

Stitcher

Professional Theatre

Summer Circle Theatre, East Lansing, MI

The Play That Goes Wrong, des. Zech Saenz
Distracted, des. Kasee Arnett

Opera Theatre of St. Louis, St. Louis, MO

Marriage of Figaro, des. Constance Hoffman, 2019
Rigoletto, des. Mark Bouman, 2019
The Coronation of Poppea, des. Hannah Clark, 2019
Fire Shut Up in My Bones, des. James Schuette, 2019

Educational Theatre

Michigan State University

Sweat, des. Kessler Jones
Charlotte's Web, des. Kasee Arnett, 2023
For the Love of (or, The Roller Derby Play), des. Jade Jaarda, 2022
Corktown, or Through the Valley of Dry Bones, des. Gabriela Castillo, 2022
Hit the Wall, des. Kasee Arnett, 2022
Head Over Heels, des. Zech Saenz, 2022
A Contemporary American's Guide to a Successful Marriage © 1959, des. Zech Saenz, 2021

Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis MO

Triumph of Love, des. Nikki Glaros, 2020
COALESCENCE (dance theater), des. Nikki Glaros, 2019
for colored girls who have considered suicide/when the rainbow is enuf, des. Nikki Glaros, 2019
Florida, des. Nikki Glaros, 2019
Kentucky, des. Nikki Glaros, 2018
Aunt Dan & Lemon, des. JC Krajicek, 2018
Kiss, des. Erica Frank, 2017
Gossip, des. Katey Becvar, 2017
Son of Soil, des. JC Krajicek, 2017
Critical Mass (dance theatre), des. Bonnie Kruger, 2016
Thinking It, des. Lia Slaton, 2016

Media Design

Educational Theatre

Michigan State University

For the Love Of (,or The Roller Derby Play), dir. Alexis Black, 2022

Media Assistant

Professional Theatre

Michigan Opera Theatre

Frida, designed by Monika Essen

Service

Michigan State University

Season Selection Committee, Department of Theatre, 2022-2023

Graduate Student Union Representative, 2020-2023

Graduate Affairs Committee, Department of Theatre, 2020-2022

Washington University in St. Louis

Season Selection Committee, Performing Arts Department, 2019-2020

Professional Development

Certifications

DEI Graduate Certificate, Michigan State University, 2022

Workshops

Michigan State University

Developing an Anti-Racist Mindset

Inclusive Teaching Workshop

Planning for Instruction and First Day of Class

Fostering a Sense of Belonging in the College Classroom

The Holy Grail of Learning: A Guide for Promoting Student
Engagement in Online Learning

D2L Pedagogies: Designing for Engaging and Inclusive Online Learning
Experiences

Inclusive Teaching: Understanding, Navigating and Addressing Barriers to
Student Learning Experiences

Tips and Tools for Motivating Students in All Learning Environments

Awards & Nominations

MSU Varg-Sullivan Graduate Award in Arts, \$2850, 2023

MSU Council of Graduate Students Conference Award, \$300, 2023

MSU College of Arts & Letters Travel Award, \$723, 2023

MSU Department of Theatre Travel Award, \$500, 2023

Costume Society of America- Howard Vincent Kurtz Emerging Theatre Artist Award,
Monsieur d'Eon is a Woman, 2023

MSU Council of Graduate Students Professional Development Award, \$500, 2023

KCACTF Region 3 Award for Theatrical Design Excellence in Costume Design
Honorable Mention, *Monsieur d'Eon is a Woman*, 2023

MSU Graduate School Travel Award, \$200, 2023

MSU College of Arts & Letters Travel Award, \$250, 2023

MSU Department of Theatre Travel Award, \$350, 2023

USITT-Midwest Digital Design Competition Award, *Monsieur d'Eon is a Woman*, 2022

MSU Graduate School Travel Award, \$400, 2022

MSU College of Arts & Letters Travel Award, \$250, 2022

MSU Department of Theatre Travel Award, \$350, 2022

Gretel Geist Rutledge Annual Student Award for Design Excellence in Theatre
Production, *Julius Caesar*, MSU, 2021

Stephen H. Duncan Prize in Technical Theatre, WUSTL, 2020

Emerson Apprenticeship Scholarship, Opera Theatre of St. Louis, 2019

Stephen H. Duncan Prize in Technical Theatre, WUSTL, 2019

Shooting Star Production & Design Scholarship, Johnson County Arts Council, 2016

Technical Achievement Award (nomination), Blue Star Awards, 2016

Best Costume Design of a Play or Musical (nomination), *West Side Story*,
BroadwayWorld Kansas City, 2015