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EDUCATION

Seattle University	M.F.A., Arts Leadership	Seattle, WA	2009
Delaware State University	M.B.A., Business Administration	Dover, DE	2000
Delaware State University	B.A., Television Production	Dover, DE	1997

PERFORMANCES/SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

December 2, 2022, **Essential Service: Urban League 21st Annual Breakfast (Metropolitan Seattle Chapter)**, Westin Hotel, Seattle, WA

August 13-14, 2022, **Los Angeles Women's Theatre Festival's Empowerment Weekend**, Artists and Activists Panelist, Virtual

April 22, 2022, **Dare to Claim the Sky**, University of Santa Cruz

March 27, 2021, **Dare to Claim the Sky**, Los Angeles Women Theatre Festival, Virtual

February 6, 2021 **Dare to Claim the Sky**, Solo Fest, Whitefire Theatre

November, 30, 2021, **The Era of Essential Service: Urban League 20th Annual Breakfast (Metropolitan Seattle Chapter)**, Virtual, Seattle, WA

October 15, 2021 **Dare to Claim the Sky**, Black Voices Festival, Whitefire Theatre

February 28, 2020, **PNW Economic Equity Summit, Renton Chamber of Commerce and Seattle Southside Chamber of Commerce**, Renton, WA

February 13, 2020, **Choi Capital Law and One America - An Open House Building Power for People of Color**, Seattle, WA

February 6-9, 2020 **Dare to Claim the Sky**, ACT Theatre, ACTLab SoloFest, Seattle, WA

January 29, 2020, **Dare to Claim the Sky (Preview)**, Cornish College of the Arts, Seattle, WA

January 29, 2020, **Port of Seattle, Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration**, Seattle, WA

December 22, 2019, **Dream Big: Urban League 19th Annual Breakfast (Metropolitan Seattle Chapter)**, Westin Hotel, Seattle, WA

December 4, 2019, **the Mixer: where creatives connect: Celebrating Seattle's Creative Community**, Seattle, WA

June 30, 2019, **Arts Resource Fair, Panel Discussion of Sharing Resources and Services**, Othello Park, Seattle, WA

June 21, 2019, **I Am Not Your Negro** screening by **Meaningful Movie**, Panelist, Northwest African American Museum –Seattle, WA

May 24, 2019, **Seattle City Club's Civic Boot Camp** -- Seattle, WA

May 17, 2019 **King County Executive Dow Constantine's Annual Filing Week Luncheon**, Westin Hotel – Seattle, WA

April 13, 2019 **Frederick Douglas Now** by **Roger Guenveur Smith**, Post-show Conversation Moderator, presented by Seattle Theatre Group – Seattle, WA

March 25, 2019 **King County Womxn Who Lead: Stories from the Past and How They Influence the Future**, Hosted by King County Councilmembers Jeanne Kohl-Welles, Claudia Balducci and Kathy Lambert, King County Courthouse – Seattle, WA

January 10 2019 **King County Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration**, The Sanctuary – Seattle, WA

November 7, 2018 **Dare to Claim the Sky** - United Solo Festival, Theatre Row – New York

October 24, 2018 **Dare to Claim the Sky** – Meadowdale High School Equity Summit – Lynnwood, WA

July 12, 2018 **Dare to Claim the Sky** – Nights at the Neptune – Seattle, WA

July 10, 2018 **The Round Seattle** – Fremont Abbey Arts Center – Seattle, WA

July 9, 2018 **Teen Summer Camp** – King County Library System – Federal Way, WA

July 31, 2017 **The Beginning of SHOOK** (Reading) West of Lenin -- Seattle, WA

July 15, 2017 -- **Invisible Womxn** by Alice Gosti and Velocity Dance Center -- Cal Anderson Park – Seattle, WA

June 23, 2017 – **Bibliophia Spotlight**: Josh Potter, Jekeva Phillips, & Sharon Nyree Williams Theatre Schmeater – Seattle, WA

June 4, 2017 -- **Jack Straw Artist Showcase Open House** -- Jack Straw Cultural Center – Seattle, WA

January 28, 2017 -- **[Re]Connect: Seattle Arts Leadership Conference** -- Seattle University -- Seattle, WA

January 21, 2017 -- **Womxn's March on Seattle** -- Soapbox on 4th & Cherry -- Seattle, WA

January 17, 2017 - **Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration at Seattle University "The Fierce Urgency of Now"** -- Seattle, WA

November 25, 2017 – **Artists for Puerto Rico Benefit Concert**, Olympic View Community Church – Seattle, WA

November 12, 2016 -- **The Power of Personal Stories** -- Kent Regional Library -- Kent, WA

November 9, 2016 -- **Brookdale Senior Living** -- Federal Way, WA

November 5, 2016 – **Consciousness** -- Washington Hall -- Seattle, WA

October 27, 2016 -- **The Cabinet of Curiosities: Poets Lit Crawl Seattle 2016** -- Hotel Sorrento -- Seattle, WA

October 27, 2016 -- **Seattle University MFA Class** (Instructor: Steve Galatro) -- Seattle, WA

October 29, 2016 -- **Create Change: Youth & Family Homelessness and the Arts** -- The Seattle Public Library -- Seattle, WA

July 16, 2016 -- **In Her Own Words** -- The Hansberry Project -- UW Floyd and Delores Jones Playhouse --Seattle, WA

June 15, 2016 -- **A Family Affair** -- The Rendezvous – Seattle, WA

June 9, 2016 -- **Dr. Jamie Cardenas Jr's Ethnic Studies Class** -- Seattle Central College – Seattle, WA

June 5, 2016 -- **Hatcher's Chapel AME Zion Church** -- Parkton, NC

May 29, 2016 -- **Prospect AME Zion Church** -- Shannon, NC

May 4, 2016 -- **Dreams Unlimited presented by TayNVal** -- Federal Way Library – Federal Way, WA

May 6, 2016 -- **Annex Theatre's SPIN THE BOTTLE** -- Seattle, WA

May 7, 2016 -- **Dreams Unlimited presented by TayNVal** -- Auburn Public Library -- Auburn, WA

May 9, 2016 -- **North Bothell Alternative School** (Sponsored by Bothell Public Library) – Bothell, WA

March 5, 2016 – **Feed Worldwide, Inc.** – Kigali, The Republic of Rwanda

VOICEOVER CLIENTS

Seattle Kraken, Capitol Hill Housing Foundation, City of Seattle (City Council), Urban League Metropolitan of Seattle and Black Future Co-Op

CURATOR

2018-Present – **Langston Hughes Performing Arts Institute** – Lobby Gallery

February 6, 2023 – **Black Well-Being Report Audiobook** – Readers – Black Future Co-Op

June 5, 2022 – **Black Well-Being Report Community Event** – Performers - Black Future Co-Op

GRANTS/AWARDS

February 2020 -- **Poets in Residence** -- The Seattle Review of Books
 2014 - 2015 – **Artist Support Fellowship** -- Jack Straw Cultural Center
 2016 -- **2016 Arts Projects** – 4 Culture

ARTISTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Emmy Award Winner, 2021	<i>Seattle Kraken Expansion Draft Voiceover</i>
Silver Telly Award, 2022	<i>Seattle Kraken Expansion Draft Voiceover</i>
Kimmel Harding Nelson Arts Center, 2021	Residency
Community Partner Award, 2015	Freehold Theatre
ARTS Crush, Seattle, 2010 and 2011	<i>Plight: I am my brother's keeper and Circles of Life</i>
Wilmington, Delaware Fringe Festival, Seattle, 2010	<i>Plight: I am my brother's keeper</i>
Festival de Caanes, 2009	<i>Addicted (Producer -- Short Film Corner)</i>
National Black Theatre Festival, 2007	<i>My Experience (Reader's Theatre of New Works)</i>
American Black Film Festival, 2007	<i>The Movement (finalist for Allstate Be Reel Competition)</i>

AFFILIATIONS

Executive Director, Central District Forum for Arts & Ideas
 Board of Directors, KUOW (2023- Present)
 Adjunct Professor, Seattle University (2021- Present)
 Los Angeles Women's Theatre Festival Jury (2022)
 National Performance Network Advisory Committee (2022)
 City of Seattle \$30 Million Equitable Community Initiative Task Force (2021)
 City of Seattle \$30 Million Strategic Investment Fund (2021)
 Board of Directors, LANGSTON (2015-2021)
 Seattle Arts Commissioner (2014-2019)
 Board of Trustees, Cornish College of the Arts (2015-2018)
 Advisory Board, FEED Worldwide Inc.
 Adult Advisory Board, Creative Justice (2014-2018)
 4 Culture – Artists Roster
 Founder, The Mahogany Project (2009)