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First Class Honours degree BA in Drama (2006-2009) Award for Outstanding Achievement

**Tring Park (formerly Arts Educational School) Dance**

Course 2 years. Musical Theatre course 1 year.

**Training and skills:**

LAMDA Summer course Diploma; Shakespeare and His Contemporaries.

**Dance and physical skills:** Tap, Jazz, Flamenco, street, ballet, contemporary, modern, pantomime, physical theatre, clowning, puppetry.

**Music skills:** Grade 7 saxophone (soprano and alto), grade 6 piano. Basic ukulele, accordion, guitar and clarinet. Mezzo-soprano singer; Jazz, folk, musical theatre and classical.

**Theatre and TV Directing/ Movement Directing/ Choreography:**

Production Name	Role	Company	Venue
MindfulMess	Co-Director/ Co-Choreographer	Franks and Skinner	The Tron, Just The Tonic, Edinburgh.
Mr Zazzizi Pilot Episode	Assistant Director	Rew Lowe Productions Director: Jack Offord	University Studios, Bath
The Toilers of The Sea; A Folk Musical	Choreographer/ Movement Director	Philippa Herrick Music	The Old Market, Brighton
Myself and My Elf	Co-Director/ Co-Choreographer	Franks and Skinner	The Tron, Just The Tonic, Edinburgh.
Jack and the Beanstalk	Choreographer	The Key Theatre, Peterborough	The Key Theatre, Peterborough
Mrs McMoon	Director/ Movement Director	Worboys Productions	National Tour: including Polka Theatre, The Egg Theatre, Bath, and Nottingham Playhouse
The Toilers of the Sea; A Folk Musical RnD	Choreographer/ Movement Director	Philippa Herrick Music	Chipping Norton Theatre
The Rotten Wedding	Movement Director	TrailBlaze	York Theatre Royal Studio and Brighton Fringe Festival
A Dirty Martini	Choreographer	TrailBlaze	Hendrick's Tent, Brighton Fringe Fest

War Correspondents	Assistant Director	Helen Chadwick Director: Steven Hogget	National Tour including Greenwich Docklands Festival
The Alchemystorium	Deviser/ Dramaturg	Gomito Productions Director: Amelia Bird	National Tour including Greenwich Theatre, Nottingham Playhouse, The Lowry, Manchester
The Night Keeper	Movement Director	Gomito Productions	National Tour including Greenwich Theatre, The Junction Cambridge.
The Clown Show	Assistant Director	John Wright Director: John Wright	Jacksons Lane Theatre
The Ha Ha Hairies	Movement Director and Choreographer	Adastra Creative	Enfys Studios, Wales Cartoon Network
Grandpa In My Pocket	Kids rehearsal Director (series 2)	Adastra Creative	Enfys Studios, Wales Cbeebies
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Not a Word	Movement Director	Gomito Productions	Bedlam Theatre, Edinburgh
Sweet Charity	Director and Assistant Choreographer	Harbinger	The Northcott, Exeter (student season)
As You Like It	Co-Director	Harbinger	University Campus

### Reviews:

'Unpredictable and completely exhilarating'

\*\*\*\*\* TV Bomb. Myself and My elf.

'Engaging and exciting...touching and humorous...highly recommended' \*\*\*\* Fringe Review. The Rotten Wedding

'One of the most cleverly inventive children's shows I have seen on the Fringe this year... Outstanding work'

\*\*\*\*\* Fringe Review. The Night Keeper.

"Outstanding theatre" \*\*\*\*\* Fringe review. Mrs McMoon.

'Fun, colourful and warm' Total Theatre Magazine. Mrs McMoon.

'Storytelling is clear and filled with physical action'...'hilarious tableau' \*\*\*\* The List. Mrs Mcmoon.

'An original and inspiring piece of Theatre' Edinburgh guide. Not A Word. 'Visually Captivating and beautiful' Three Weeks. Not A Word

## Teaching/ Youth Work/ Community Work:

Role	Organisation	Productions
Teacher/ Director	Stagecoach Bromley	Joseph / Buggy Malone Weekly classes for 2 years (age 6-17)
Director/Choreographer/Writer	Stagecoach Bromley Summer School	Devised show: 'Stagecoach Summer School Musical'
Workshop Leader	The Leys School, Cambridge	One off Workshop on physical theatre/ Clowning/ Puppetry (age 14-18)
Workshop Leader/ Co-Director	Wycombe Abbey School, High Wycombe	Workshop leader on physical theatre, visual theatre, puppetry and clowning Devised show with 60 students
Workshop Leader	Bedford School/ The Ivo	Puppetry workshop
Workshop Leader	The Junction Cambridge Gomito Productions	Weekly classes (age 4-8)
Workshop Leader	Chichester Festival Theatre	One off Storytelling Workshop (age 14-18)
Assistant Teacher	Exeter College (students with learning difficulties) Exeter Juvenile Prison	A Christmas Carol  One off classes/ Workshops

Professional Workshops include: Told By An Idiot, Frantic Assembly, Gecko, Peta Lilly, Gomito, Rich Rusk Physical Theatre, John Wright, John Link Shakespeare, John Baxter Jacobean Theatre, Status and Comedy with Martin Harvey.