

# MARISSA BARNATHAN

◆ TEACHING ARTIST ◆

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Arizona State University**

*Teaching Assistant (Instructor of Record)*

- Create curriculum for and teach undergraduate courses in Acting and Directing

Tempe, AZ

Aug 2021 – current

### **Music Theatre Philly**

*Teaching Artist*

- Taught singing and choreography at a Musical Theatre camp for students ages 4-10

Philadelphia, PA

June – July 2023

### **Rutgers University – Camden**

*Part-Time Lecturer*

- Created curriculum for and taught undergraduate courses in Musical Theatre Dance, Ballet, and Jazz Dance

Camden, NJ

Sept 2019 – May 2021

### **Friends Select School**

*Director/Choreographer*

- Directed and choreographed 10 plays and musicals for both middle school and high school students

Philadelphia, PA

Jan 2016 – May 2021

### **ZoomDance**

*Teacher*

- Taught classes in Ballet and Creative Movement for students ages 1.5-6

Philadelphia, PA

March 2016 – July 2021

*Camp Director*

- Managed and instructed weeklong dance camps for students ages 2-7

Aug 2017

### **Walnut Street Theatre**

*Teaching Artist*

- Taught classes in Musical Theatre for Intro and Intermediate Level students, ages 8-11 and 12-17

Philadelphia, PA

Sept 2013 – July 2020

### **Take The Lead Dance Project**

*Teaching Artist*

- Taught social dancing to high school students in the Philadelphia area, including students with disabilities

Philadelphia, PA

Sept 2019 – March 2020

### **Theatre Ariel**

*Teaching Artist*

- Co-taught a drama residency for adults with disabilities

Bala Cynwyd, PA

Dec 2018 – March 2020

### **Lantern Theatre Company**

*Teaching Artist*

- Co-taught in-school residencies on Shakespeare plays and *To Kill a Mockingbird* for high school students

Philadelphia, PA

February 2014 – March 2020

### **Wolf Performing Arts Center**

*Teaching Artist*

- Taught classes in Musical Theatre and Acting, private voice lessons, and drama residencies for students ages 7-16

Bryn Mawr, PA

Sept 2013 – Sept 2019

*Camp Instructor*

- Taught electives to students in grades K-8: Jazz Dance, Hip-Hop, Choreography, Shakespeare

June – Aug '08, '09, '13, '14, '15

### **Philadelphia Shakespeare Theatre**

*Teaching Artist*

- Co-taught in-school residencies on Shakespeare for 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students at various Philadelphia schools

Philadelphia, PA

May 2016 – 2018

## EDUCATION

### **Arizona State University**

*M.F.A. in Directing Student*

Tempe, AZ

Aug 2021 – May 2024

### **Washington University in St. Louis**

*B.A. in Drama and Psychology with a Ballet Minor*

St. Louis, MO

Aug 2009 – May 2012

GPA: 3.90 (out of 4.00) | Honors: Phi Beta Kappa, Dean's List (all semesters), Margaret Ewing Prize for Acting

## RELATED SKILLS

Acting/Singing/Dancing, Theatre of the Oppressed, Movement (Suzuki/Viewpoints), Stage Combat (Hand-to-Hand), Yoga, Piano, Production Management, Conversational Spanish, Proficient in Microsoft Office, Google Suite, & Social Media