

Elli Caterisano

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Education

Master of Fine Arts-Acting

University of Montana, Missoula Montana; May 2021

Bachelor of Arts- Theatre Arts

Furman University, Greenville, South Carolina; cum laude May 2018

Bachelor of Arts- Music

Furman University, Greenville, South Carolina; cum laude May 2018

Specialization in Vocal Performance

Teaching Experience

Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Montana

Missoula, Montana (2018-2021)

Introduction to Theatre

Primary Instructor

The various elements of play production and dance. The basic artistic principles underlying dance, theatre and all of the arts.

Introduction to Acting

Primary Instructor

An introduction to the skills and techniques required of the actor to be effective in communication with others on stage and off stage.

Introduction to Make-up for the Stage

Primary Instructor

Principles of and practice in theatrical makeup. Students also work on makeup for major productions.

Readings in Dramatic Literature

Teaching Assistant

The study of representative theatre texts as a foundation for play analysis.

Drum Instructor, The Girls Club

New York, New York

Drum Instructor, Introduction to Drums Workshop, May 2023.

Advanced Training and Related Experience

Muddy Mother Murder, co-written by Elli Caterisano and Margaret Rose Caterisano

Broomstick Theatre Company at Under St. Marks, New York, New York (March 2024)

Pro-choice play written and produced by Elli Caterisano and Margaret Rose Caterisano and performed as a fundraiser for Planned Parenthood.

Playwriting Workshop for Dramatic Writing Department

New York University, Tisch; (Fall 2022, Spring 2023) Actor.

Sponsored By, Sketch Comedy Troupe

Resident Comedy Troupe at The Players Theatre, New York, New York (March 2022-present)

Writer, Producer, and Performer.

Warm Springs Prison Project, produced by Elli Caterisano and Michael Legg

University of Montana College of the Arts and Media, Montana Repertory Theatre; Missoula, MT (TBD Fall 2021)

Received a grant, used to hire teaching artists who worked with residents in the Warm Springs Detention Center located in Deer Lodge County, Montana, for the creation of an original work, **The DUI Project**, performed at Montana Repertory Theatre during the 2021-22 season.

Welcome to the Void, co-written by Elli Caterisano and Jane Best

University of Montana, Missoula MT (April 2021)

Socially distant musical, book, lyrics, and music by Jane Best and Elli Caterisano, produced as part of the University of Montana's 2020-2021 socially distant mainstage season and directed by John DeBoer.

Theatre in Prison, Leah Joki

Lancaster, CA (August 2019)

Apprenticed with No Joke Theatre Company in the California State Prison, Los Angeles County

Montana Repertory Playwrighting Workshop/Formerly The Colony

Missoula, MT (May 2019)

Attended the two-week workshoping of a new play by Martyna Majok, *Sanctuary City*

Clowning in Theatre Masterclass, Ruxy Cantir

Greenville, South Carolina (April 2017)

Physical Storytelling and Scene work

Commedia d'ell Arte Masterclass, Doug Berky

Greenville, South Carolina (January 2017)

Improvisation and Character/ Scene Development

Opera Masterclass and Vocal Workshop, Betsy Bishop

Greenville, South Carolina (Spring 2016)

Business of Opera and Personal Technique, Individual Lesson

Musical Theatre Masterclass and Vocal Workshop, Mimi Wyche

Greenville, South Carolina (Fall 2016)

Technique of Acting the Songs, Individual Lesson

Stage Combat Intensive, Cliff Williams

Greenville, South Carolina (April 2016)

Basic Rapier, Broadsword, Knife, and Unarmed

Dance Masterclass, Madeline Harvey

Greenville, South Carolina (March 2015)

Fundamentals of Jazz and Ballet

Musical Theatre Vocal Workshop, Kimilee Bryant

Greenville, South Carolina (March 2015)

The Business of Broadway Lecture and Individual Audition Package Workshop

Shakespeare Birthplace Trust, Shakespeare Institute

Stratford-upon-Avon, United Kingdom (September 2014)

With Stanley Wells, Penny Freedman, Brenda Leedham, Martin Wiggins,
Robert Smallwood, Catherine Alexander, Elizabeth Dollimore, Nick Walton,
Roxanne Bennis, Michael Corbidge

Summer Semester Physical Theatre Intensive, Accademia dell'Arte

Arezzo, Italy (July 2014)

Commedia dell'Arte with Michela Mocchiutti

Leather Mask Making with Andrea Cavarra

Sound Design Masterclass, Kevin Frazier

Greenville, South Carolina (March 2014)

Programming with Audacity and QLab

Droznin Movement Workshop, Peggy Trecker White

Greenville, South Carolina (January 2014)

Lighting Design Masterclass, Kevin Frazier

Greenville, South Carolina (January 2014)

Storytelling through gobos and Intelligent lights

Special Effects Makeup Masterclass, Julia Hapney

Greenville, South Carolina (October 2013)

Effects Makeup, Gelatin, Blood Making, Prosthetics

Chekhov/Stanslavski Workshop, Peggy Trecker White

Greenville, South Carolina (October 2013)

Performance Experience

Related Acting Experience

2024	<i>Muddy Muddy Murder</i>	Susan/Mary	Under St, Marks/Broomstick TC	Martina Bonolis
2022	<i>Sheepwell</i>	Sarah	2022 SheNYC Summer Festival	Jay Oney
2020	<i>Six Degrees of Separation</i>	Kitty	University of Montana	Charlie Oates
2019	<i>Mr. Burns</i>	Quincy	University of Montana	Jadd Davis
	<i>The Poppovichs</i>	Ashley	No Joke Theatre	Leah Joki
	<i>August Osage County</i>	Karen	University of Montana	Charlie Oates
2018	<i>Miss Julie</i>	Miss Julie	Guerrilla Shakespeare Company	Caroline Davis
	<i>Bull</i>	Isobel	Guerrilla Shakespeare Company	Robert Fuson
	<i>Twisted Tales From Shakespeare</i>	Dedfora Ducatti	Furman University Theatre	Rhett Bryson
2017	<i>Danny and the Deep Blue Sea</i>	Roberta	Furman University Theatre	Carol Sutton
	<i>Romeo and Juliet</i>	Prince	Furman University Theatre	Maegan Azar
	<i>Kappa Kappa Scream</i>	Peyton	Furman University Theatre	Jay Oney
2016	<i>The Women of Lockerbie</i>	Madeline	Furman University Theatre	Jayce Tromsness
	<i>Arcadia</i>	Hannah Jarvis	Furman University Theatre	Jay Oney
2015	<i>Durang/ Durang</i>	Mrs. Sorkin, et al.	Furman University Theatre	Rhett Bryson
2014	<i>These Shining Lives</i>	Charlotte	Furman University Theatre	Maegan Azar
2013	<i>Pomp and Circumstance</i>	Brandy	Furman University Theatre	Jay Oney

Musical Theatre

2023	<i>Lower East Side Theatre Festival</i>	Actor	Theatre for the New City	William Electric Black
2023	<i>Romeo and Juliet:Tribal</i>	Friar, Drummer	Theatre for the New City	William Electric Black
2022	<i>Romeo and Juliet:Tribal</i>	Friar, Drummer	La MaMa Experimental Theatre Club, NYC	William Electric Black
2021	<i>Broadway's Comeback Cabaret</i>		The Drama Company, NYC	Sara Laursen
2021	<i>Welcome to the Void</i>	Rachel	University of Montana	John DeBoer
2020	<i>Spring Awakening</i>	Marta	University of Montana	John DeBoer
2019	<i>White Christmas</i>	Betty Haynes	University of Montana	Pamyla Stiehl
2017	<i>If/Then</i>	Kate	Furman University Theatre	Maegan Azar
	<i>Footloose</i>	Rusty	Theatre West Virginia	Ashley Meyer
2016	<i>Hatfields and McCoys</i>	Nancy McCoy	Theatre West Virginia	Jason Adkins
	<i>Ring of Fire: The Music of Johnny Cash</i>	June Carter Cash	Theatre West Virginia	Neil David Seibel
	<i>The Addams Family Bride</i>	Ensemble	Theatre West Virginia	Dan Henthorne
2015	<i>Hair</i>	Natalie	Furman University Theatre	Maegan Azar
	<i>The Three Penny Opera</i>	Jenny Diver	Furman University Theatre	Maegan Azar
2014	<i>Brigadoon</i>	Chorus	Furman University Music	Grant Knox

Furman University Senior Recital

Greenville, South Carolina (November 2017)

Handel- Alma Mia, Dove sei amato bene
Brahms- Die Mainacht, Da unten im Tale, Och Moder, Dein blaues Auge
Bizet- Seguidilla from Carmen

Opera and Oratorio

2016	Mozart Britten	The Magic Flute St. Nicholas	Ensemble Chorus	Furman University Music Furman Symphony Orchestra
2015	Honegger	King David	Soloist	Furman Symphony Orchestra
2013	Handel	Messiah	Chorus	Furman Symphony Orchestra

Concert

2020	Fall Concert	Montana	UM Cabaret
2018	Fall Concert	Montana	UM Cabaret
2017	International Tour	Germany	Furman Singers
2016	Spring Tour	Florida, Georgia, South Carolina	Furman Singers
2015	Spring Tour	North Carolina, Georgia	Furman Singers
	Fall Concert	South Carolina	Furman Singers
2014	Spring Tour	North Carolina	Furman Singers
	International Tour	England and Ireland	Furman Singers
2013	Fall Concert	South Carolina	Furman Singers

Design Experience

2017	Sound Designer	<i>Reasons to Be Pretty</i>	Furman University Theatre	Jay Oney
	Sound Designer	<i>Danny and the Deep Blue Sea</i>	Furman University Theatre	Carol Sutton
2016	Makeup Designer	<i>Romeo and Juliet</i>	Furman University Theatre	Maegan Azar
	Makeup Designer	<i>The Magic Flute</i>	Furman University Music	Grant Knox
2014	Sound Designer	<i>The Imaginary Invalid</i>	Furman University Theatre	Rhett Bryson

Other Technical Theatre Experience

2018	Light Board Operator	<i>The Wizard of Oz</i>	Community Theatre Missoula	Heidi Eggert
2016	Stage Manager	<i>The Birthday Party</i>	Furman University Theatre	Rhett Bryson
	Publicity Crew Head	<i>Rumors</i>	Furman University Theatre	Carol Sutton
2015	Properties Construction/Crew Head	<i>God of Carnage</i>	Furman University Theatre	Rhett Bryson
2014	Sound Board Operator	<i>The Imaginary Invalid</i>	Furman University Theatre	Rhett Bryson

Conferences and Affiliations

2020-21 Shakespeare in Prison Conference, virtual conference attendee November 2020-April 2021.

2021 Justice Arts Coalition; <https://thejusticeartscoalition.org>

Volunteer and Service Opportunities

2023	Drum instructor for Girls Clubs of NYC
2021	Wrote and received a grant used to hire teaching artists who are working with residents in the Warm Springs Detention Center located in Deer Lodge County, Montana, creating original work to be performed at Montana Rep during the 2021-22 season.
2020	<i>White Christmas Music and Memories</i> , lecture at the Upstate Country Museum in Greenville, SC.
2020	Sang at the university benefit for YWCA Montana
2019	Sang at the Homeless Benefit for YWCA Montana
2019	Served as light board operator for the disabled group community theatre in Missoula
2019	Organized and Canvassed for Elizabeth Warren Campaign
2015-2017	Volunteered on the second and fourth Sunday afternoons at Triune Mercy Center in the computer room, assisting folk who need help with resumes and job searches.

2015 Worked as a Paid Intern for the Bernie Sanders Campaign in Greenville SC. Organized Events On Campus and Organized call centers.

References

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