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Education:

M.F.A. Design, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas, 1999
Thesis: **A Scenic Design for “Sylvia”**
M.A. Communications, Southwestern Baptist Theological
Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, 1988
Thesis: **The Video Ministry of Ten Baptist Churches**
B.M. Music Education, East Texas Baptist College, Marshall
Texas, 1982
A.A. Electronics, College of the Mainland, Texas City,
Texas, 1979

Professional Speech, Theatre and Music Experience:

2017 – present Instructor Speech/Communication
Amarillo, College
2013 – 2017 Part – Time Instructor Speech/Communication
Amarillo College, Amarillo, Texas
2016 – present Part-Time Instructor Theatre
West Texas A & M University, Canyon, Texas
2015 – present Substitute with Amarillo ISD
Fall 2014 Instructor Speech/Communication
Amarillo, College
2013 – present Lecturer in Communication
Sul Ross State University, Alpine, Texas
2002-2013 Associate Professor of Theatre and Communication
Sul Ross State University, Alpine, Texas
2000- 2002 Associate Professor of Theatre & Communication Arts
Harral Memorial Complex Director
Wayland Baptist University, Plainview, Texas
1995-2000 Assistant Professor of Theatre & Communication Arts
Harral Memorial Auditorium Technical Director
Wayland Baptist University, Plainview, Texas
1990-1995 Harral Memorial Auditorium Technical Director
Instructor in Theatre & Communication Arts
Wayland Baptist University, Plainview, Texas
1982-1984 Minister of Music & Youth, Lone Star Baptist Church
Lone Star, Texas

Courses Taught:

Amarillo College

Undergraduate courses:

Public Speaking

Business & Prof. Speaking

Interpersonal Communication

Technical Communication

West Texas A&M University

Undergraduate courses:

Introduction to Theatre

Amarillo ISD

6th and 7th/8th grade choir teacher

Sul Ross State University

Graduate courses:

Individual Research

Undergraduate courses:

Intro. to Theatre

Stage Combat

Technical Production

Scenic Design

Intro. to Speech Communication

Theatre Workshop

Introduction to Theatrical Design

Stage Management

Lighting and Sound Design

Theatrical Design Research

Wayland Baptist University

Undergraduate courses:

Scene Design

Lighting Design

Costume Design

Stage Makeup

Intro. to Speech Communication

Theatre Activities: Sceneries and Properties

Theatre Activities: Lighting and Sound

Theatre Activities: Costume and Makeup

Service:

University:

Sul Ross State University Committees, Councils and other activities:

Athletic Committee

University Scholarship Committee

Library and Information Technologies Council Chair and Secretary

Research Council

Special Committee on Student Evaluation

Special Committee on Faculty and Administration Salaries Secretary

Speech judge at the Sul Ross State University UIL Invitational Event

Supervised equipment lending program to area theatre programs (i.e

Theatre Marfa, Alpine ISD)

Faculty advisor, Sul Ross Theatrical Society

Assistant faculty advisor, Sul Ross Chapter of Alpha Psi Omega (honorary drama fraternity)

University Interscholastic League One Act Play Area Contest

Wrote questions for the ExCET prep in technical theatre

Available for the SRSU U.I.L One Act Play Festival as technical consultant

Participated in the New Student's Convocation and Commencements

Served as judge for the Annual Sully Awards

Was part of the University team that over saw the design and installation of a new lighting, sound, curtains and rigging in Marshall Auditorium and Studio Theatre/TV Studio. The total for this project was approximately \$1million.

Participated in the Kennedy Center/American College Theatre Festival Region VI Event in Amarillo, Texas. Our theatre was one of six universities from a five state region that produced their show in Amarillo. The students also participated in workshop and technical events.

Service: (continued)

University:

Wayland Baptist University Committees, Councils and other activities:

Faculty Assembly Executive Committee

Aids/HIV Substance Abuse Committee

Learning Resource Committee

Planning Council

Chapel Committee Standing Member

Admissions Committee

Scholarship/Financial Aid Committee

Academic Standards Committee

Pastor/Laymen's Conference

Miss and Mr. Wayland Pageants

Choral, Band & Senior Concerts

Convocation & Graduation Events

Spirit Dinner Show

Academy Awards Program

Community:

Amarillo, Texas

Choir member and Deacon, First Baptist Church, Amarillo

Alpine, Texas

Helped Alpine High School theatre with U.I.L.-O.A.P set and prop requirements

Member of the Parent Teachers Organization in Alpine.

Member of First Baptist Church, Alpine, committees and responsibilities

Worship leader and Soloist

Deacon

Trustee

Personnel Committee chairperson

Music Committee

Nominating Committee chairperson

Youth Sunday School substitute teacher

Vacation Bible School

Sound board operator

Worked with faculty and family volunteers at Marfa Elementary Campus

Beautification Project

Cast member in the Theatre of the Big Bend summer production "Anything Goes"

Cast member in the Theatre of the Big Bend summer production "Damn Yankees"

Cast member in the Sul Ross State University Theatre production "Oh Coward!"

Plainview Community Concert Series

Plainview Symphony Orchestra Concerts

Christmas Pageant, First Baptist Church, Plainview, Texas

Christmas & Easter Pageants, First Baptist Church, Lubbock, Texas

Miss West Texas National Teenage Scholarship Pageant

Singles Minister, Choir Member & Drama Consultant, First Baptist Church, Plainview, Texas

Workshops:

Lead: Teacher In-service Amarillo Independent School District, 1994, 1999

University Interscholastic League One Act Play Contest Manager, 1990 to 2005, 2013

Attended: Vectorworks Training Basic and Intermediate, Columbia, Maryland January 2013

Stage combat class: Dueling Arts International in Las Vegas, Nevada, December/January 2007

Organizations:

Texas Educational Theatre Association
 United States Institute of Theatre Technologies
 Southwest Theatre and Film Association
 Southwestern Theatre Association
 Plainview Community Concert Board Member

Honors:

1992 Set, Light & Costume Design for “Dr. Faustus”,
 American College Theatre Festival, El Paso, Texas
 1991 Set Decoration for “Quilters”,
 American College Theatre Festival, El Paso, Texas
 1982 Best Actor, East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Texas
 1981 Delta Psi Omega Fraternity, East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Texas
 Outstanding Technician, East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Texas

Achievements:

Designed 82 sets from 1990 – 2013. These designs included sketches, floor plans, technical drawings, drafts, and / or full-color renderings.
 Assisted and supervised student designers in the design work of 33 sets and implemented the designs to the satisfaction of the designer and director.
 Designed, assisted and constructed 115 sets at Sul Ross State University and Wayland Baptist University demonstrating expert knowledge of materials and methods of scenic construction.
 Created and implemented a safety class for student workers, which included the correct use of both power and hand tools.

I have designed, technically directed, and/or supervised over 100 theatrical productions on the university level. A complete list of productions can be presented to you upon request. Below is a short list of the productions.

“Tom Sawyer and the Jackson Island Pirates”	SRSU Marshall Auditorium	Alpine, TX
“Xanadu”	SRSU Studio Theatre	Alpine, TX
“Cat on a Hot Tin Roof”	SRSU Studio Theatre	Alpine, TX
“Murder Mystery Dinner”	Café Oso	Alpine, TX
“The 25 th Annual Putman County Spelling Bee”	SRSU Studio Theatre	Alpine, TX
“Aye No!” The Series	SRSU Television Studio	Alpine, TX
“Pueblo Unido”	SRSU Studio Theatre	Alpine, TX
“Evening of One Acts’	SRSU Studio Theatre	Alpine, TX
“Wolf’s Tale”	SRSU Studio Theatre	Alpine, TX
“Aye No!”	American College Theatre Festival Regional Production	Amarillo, TX
“Who’s Afraid of Virginia Woolf?”	SRSU Studio Theatre	Alpine, TX
“Hello Dolly!”	Theatre of the Big Bend Summer Rep.	Alpine, TX
“A Question of Mercy”	SRSU Studio Theatre	Alpine, TX
“Noises Off”	SRSU Marshall Auditorium	Alpine, TX
“Barefoot in the Park”	Theatre of the Big Bend Summer Rep	Alpine, TX
“Kindertransport”	WBU Black Box Theatre	Plainview, TX
“Mousetrap”	WBU Black Box Theatre	Plainview, TX
“Sylvia”	WBU Black Box Theatre	Plainview, TX
“Nunsense”	WBU Black Box Theatre	Plainview, TX
“Agnes of God”	WBU Black Box Theatre	Plainview, TX
“And They Dance Real Slow in Jackson”	WBU Black Box Theatre	Plainview, TX

Stage (representative roles and productions I have acted in):

<i>"Anything Goes" (Captain)</i>	<i>Theatre of the Big Bend</i>	<i>Alpine, TX</i>
<i>"Oh! Coward!" (singer)</i>	<i>Granada Theatre</i>	<i>Alpine, TX</i>
<i>"Damn Yankees" (Lynch),</i>	<i>Theatre of the Big Bend</i>	<i>Alpine, TX</i>
<i>"Ballad of King</i>	<i>SRSU Studio Theatre</i>	<i>Alpine, TX</i>
<i>Window Glass" (chorus)</i>		
<i>"Music Man" (J.C. Squires),</i>	<i>WBU Harral Auditorium</i>	<i>Plainview, TX</i>
<i>"Godspell" (Lamar),</i>	<i>WBU Black Box Theatre</i>	<i>Plainview, TX</i>
	<i>Cornerstone Theatre</i>	<i>Fort Worth, TX</i>
<i>"The Fantasticks" (El Gallo),</i>	<i>East Texas Baptist College</i>	<i>Marshall, TX</i>

Video Experience:

<i>Gaffer "Aye No!" the Series</i>	<i>SRSU TV Studio</i>	<i>Alpine, TX</i>
<i>"Private Lives of</i>	<i>Granada Theatre</i>	<i>Alpine, TX</i>
<i>Private Spies"</i>		
<i>Media Director</i>	<i>James Avenue Baptist Church</i>	<i>Fort Worth, TX</i>
<i>Director/Engineer</i>	<i>Praise & Worship Conference</i>	<i>Fort Worth, TX</i>
<i>Director/Engineer</i>	<i>Fulness Conference</i>	<i>Fort Worth, TX</i>
<i>Director of Video Production</i>	<i>Lake Country Christian School</i>	<i>Fort Worth, TX</i>