

# **CONTACT ME**

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#### **EDUCATION**

#### **University of West Florida**

BFA Musical Theatre BA Interdisciplinary Humanities—Arts Administration

GPA: 3.98 Summa Cum Laude

Top student award from the College of Arts, Social Sciences & Humanities 2019; President's Honor Roll 2016 - 2020

#### Escola D'Arts Escèniques De Manresa

Grado Superior de técnicas de actuación teatral del curso 2022

# **SKILLS**

- Leadership
- Effective communication
- · Content creation & social media
- Copywriting
- Time management
- Problem-solve attitude
- Word | Excel | Powerpoint
- Languages: English (native), Spanish (intermediate), Catalan (conversational)

# LENA M. SAKALLA

# Coach | Director | Arts Administration

#### **ABOUT ME**

Lena is an internationally trained actress, director, and acting coach with a background in Arts Administration and Management. After graduating with a double major at the top of her class, Lena hopped across the Atlantic and is now based in Barcelona. Above all, she is passionate about collaborating with creatives who empower others and amplify stories unheard.

# **WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### **Theatre Teacher**

2023 - Present

Creation Drama Studios

- Engages students with acting exercises for onstage and on-camera training
- Collaborates with fellow teachers to direct original scripts for students ages 6 to 18

#### **Audition Coordinator Assistant**

2023 - Present

Artists at Play LLC

- Coordinates, & facilitates the online LiNK audition process via Acceptd alongside the Audition Coordinator of the Southeastern Theatre Conference in the USA
- Clarifies and resolves communication errors between auditionees and hiring companies

#### Administration Assistant/Tour Manager 2022

2022 - Present

Three Cord Productions LLC

- Pilots the American National Tour stops of the new hit play, DISSONANCE
- Creates engaging content for Marketing on Instagram, Facebook, Tiktok, & Mailchimp email chains
- Organizes team meetings, interviews, podcast appearances, news, & producer collaborations

# Acting, Voice, & Audition Coach

2020 - Present

Coach Lena

- Empowers artists with a foundation of techniques in singing, voice & speech, acting, & audition techniques that simultaneously build confidence
- Crafts & facilitates original-material workshops online & in-person to ages 8 to 18
- Instructs Montessori Barcelona's Musical Theatre class accumulating in showcases

#### REFERENCES

#### Marci J. Duncan

Artists at Play LLC / CEO

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#### **Gabby Byam**

Hippodrome Regional Theatre/ Director of Education

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# **CERTIFICATES**

#### International University of Catalunya

**AMET Master Certification** 

Online June 2021

## **BridgeTEFL**

120 Hour TEFL Master Certification

Online August 2020

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#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

## **Showcase Director & Spring Break Camp Counselor**

2023

Hippodrome Regional Theatre

- Designed & facilitated a Scene Study course for ages 6-18 years
- Directed & organized the showcase schedule with original scenes, written & performed by the students themselves

# Show Director 2022

Escola D'Arts Escèniques De Manresa

- Created the overall concept with blocking, movement, interpretation, & technical elements for "The Revolution's Promise" translated into the Catalan in collaboration with The Freedom Theatre in Palestine
- Coached actors' character, monologue, & scene work in Spanish, Catalan, & English

#### **English Teacher (ESL)**

2021-2022

MoMa English Academy

- Prepared high school students for Cambridge English certification exams
- Invigorated middle school students with English grammar, created lesson plans/exams, & engaged with parents about student progress

#### **English Language Assistant**

2020-2021

Meddeas

- Collaborated with tutors to construct engaging speaking & listening activities for students ages 3-12 years old
- Sparked confidence in students while speaking English as a Second Language

#### **Arts Administration Intern**

2019

**B** Street Theatre

- Launched new marketing/outreach project to increase student turnout for mainstage shows
- Collaborated with Associate Artistic Director on managing the annual New Comedies Festival & provided hospitality to the 50 visiting artists
- Co-designed & directed summer camp showcases, while teaching voice & speech curriculum for ages 5-17 years old
- Outlined to Facility Manager green initiatives to reduce company's carbon footprint

#### Children's Show Director/Musical Theatre Teacher 2018

Hippodrome Regional Theatre

- Adapted & taught voice & speech/singing curriculum for ages 7-17 years old
- Created the overall concept with blocking, movement, interpretation, & technical elements for The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe (ask about the funky theme)