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## CHOREOGRAPHER

### Neos Dance Theatre

Norm & Cleo	03
Dirty Feet	03
Missing Persons	04
Flash Forward	04
Gershwin Pas de Deux	04
Trilogy	04
Coffee Talk	06
Sylvia Project (with Grammy award winning opera star Sylvia McNair)	07
Three Cornered Hat	08
Stag Line (artwork by Mindy Duncan)	09
Spring and Summer	09
Tico Tico	09
Pops concerts (Phoenix, Buffalo, Memphis, Portland, Winston-Salem, etc)	98 - 11
Romeo and Juliet	09
By George	09
Count...the Legend of Dracula	10
Nuevo	10
Appalachian Spring	10
Various Principals	11
Homage	12
The Nutcracker	12
Spinning Plates	13
Snow White and Magic Mirror: A Grimm Tale	13
slowly moving, almost stopped	14
necessary.negatives	15
Searching for the Find	15
Vinegar Two	15
Illustrious Disillusion	16

### Momix [assistant choreographer]

Discman - Momix in Orbit	World Tour
Opus Cactus	Current World Tour

### Ballet Arizona

Sing Sing Sing	99
In Life, In Love	99
Strange Fruit	98

### Verb Ballets

Sunteleia	04
Child Ephemeral	05

### The University of Akron

The Cure	11
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### Belhaven University

Waiting Places	09
New work	10

Renaissance Theatre: CATS, Hairspray, Chorus Line, Chicago 08 - 11

### Dancing Wheels

Alice in Wonderland	08
Duke Ellington Project	10

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<b>Ad Deum Dance Company</b> Change My Name	07
<b>Masterworks Summer Festival</b> Bach Brandenburg Concertos	09
Mendelssohn Symphony No. 4, Italian	10
<b>Phoenix Symphony</b> Pops Concerts	01 - 02
New Year's Eve Variety Concerts	98 - 04
<b>Phoenix Symphony Chamber Orchestra</b> Mozart German Dances	01
<b>Cleveland Pops</b>	05 - 12
<b>Ashland Symphony Orchestra</b>	03 - 05
<b>Ashland Regional Ballet</b> Creation	01
The Fall [performed at Regional Dance America, RDA]	01
Rondo Capriccioso [performed at RDA]	01
Song of Solomon [performed at RDA - gala status]	02
De Fledermaus	03
Firebird, after Hellie Schussler	05
Enduring, after Hellie Schussler [RDA - gala status]	05
<b>School of Ballet Arizona - directed by Ki Wan Han</b> Summertime	98

## DANCER

<b>Neos Dance Theatre</b>	2008 - present
<b>Ballet Arizona - Company Member</b>	95 - 01
Principal Roles	
Nutcracker [Ib Anderson]	"Drosselmeyer" 00
Company B [Paul Taylor]	"Tico" 00
Carmina Burana [Earnst Uthoff]	"The Jester" 99
Romeo and Juliet [Michael Uthoff]	"Tybalt" 99
Greentable [Kurt Jooss]	"Profiteer" 98
The Moor's Pavane [Jose Limón]	"Iago" 00
Giselle [staged by Fredrick Franklin]	"Hilarion" 99
Soloist Roles	
Skinny Puzzle [Dwight Rhoden]	01
HELLBLONDEGROOVE [Kevin O'Day]	99
Opus Cactus [Moses Pendleton]	99
Leaves are Fading [Anthony Tudor]	99
Lands Edge [Pilobolus]	"The Fool" & "A Twin" 98
Lady Lost Found [Danny Ezralow]	98
Lilac Garden [Anthony Tudor]	98

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<b>Momix Italian Tour</b>	99
Verb Ballets	
Esplanade [Paul Taylor]	04
The Envelope [David Parsons]	03 - 04
Chichester Psalms [Hernando Cortez]	04
Continuo [Antony Tudor]	04
Carmina Burana [Hernando Cortez]	05
Appalachian Spring [Martha Graham]	05
<b>Ashland Regional Ballet</b>	
Principal Dancer	01 - 07
Barn Dance [Hellie Schussler]	“Clem” 03 - 04
<b>Phoenix Symphony - Featured Dancer/Choreographer</b>	98 - 04
<b>Guest Artist:</b> Dancing Wheels, Renaissance Theatre, & more	00 - 11

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

<b>Oberlin College - Guest Instructor</b>	Fall 2012 - Present
<b>The University of Akron's Dance Institute</b>	11 - Present
<b>Neos Dance Theatre</b>	
Company Class	04 - Present
<b>Belhaven University - Adjunct professor</b>	07 - 09
<b>Mansfield City School District</b>	04 - 05
Entertainment/Marketing Dance	
<b>Recreational Center - downtown Phoenix Arizona</b>	00
<b>Verb Ballet</b>	
Company Class	04 - 05
<b>Central Ohio Youth Ballet</b>	
Company Class	02 - 04
<b>Opus II Dance Studio</b>	
Advanced Ballet	01 - 08
High - Intermediate Ballet	01 - 08
Advanced Modern	02 - 07
Tap 6	03
<b>Ashland Regional Ballet</b>	
Company Class, Ballet	01 - 07

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## OUTREACH PROGRAMS

<b>Ballet Arizona Outreach Program</b>	95-99
An extensive outreach program dedicated to serving underprivileged children in the Phoenix area. With this program, I was able to dance for and educate over twenty-five thousand children within four years.	
<b>Class Act</b>	97-98
Phoenix Public Schools	
<b>“Lets Dance” Ashland Regional Ballet, Outreach Coordinator</b>	01-04
Performing and teaching in public schools and for civic organizations in the Ashland and Mansfield area.	
<b>Verb Ballets Outreach Programs</b>	04-05
Performing and teaching in public schools in and around the Cleveland area.	
<b>Neos Dance Theatre - Ontario, Stingel Elementary Residency</b>	02-12
Teaching third graders to move creatively to music.	

## DANCE RELATED WORK

<b>Artistic Director, Neos Dance Theatre</b>	04-16
<b>Development</b>	04-16
Grant Writing with grants awarded from \$1,000 - \$40,000 Annual Campaigns earning \$25,000 to \$75,000 Sponsorships from \$250 to \$15,000 Board Development	
<b>General Management</b>	04 - 16
Accomplished 2 non-immigrant working visas for guest dancers, filed for and achieved not-for-profit status of Neos Dance Theatre, volunteer coordination, production team, web master,	
<b>Booking</b>	
Built Relationships with:	
Dance St. Louis	Ohio State University - Mansfield Regional
Cain Park, Cleveland Heights	Ashland University
Heinz Poll Summer Dance Festival	The University of Akron
Akron’s Civic Theatre	Playhouse Square, Cleveland
Lakeside, OH	Ohio Arts Presenters Network
Renaissance Theatre	Ohio Arts Council: Ohio Artists on Tour program
Ashland Myers Band Shell	Ontario Christian Fellowship
Averitt Performing Arts Center GA	Renaissance Theatre
Midland Theatre, Newark OH	Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center
Arts Partnership Hancock County	Erie Ballet, PA
Oberlin College	

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- Director of Marketing** 04-16  
Neos Dance Theatre  
Job included: data basing  
Assembling marketing materials:  
- Brochures  
- Biographies  
- DVD's  
- Press kits  
- Mailers/Postcards  
- Press releases  
- Social media development  
- Web design and installation
- Director of Scheduling** 04-16  
Neos Dance Theatre  
Job included: - Programming performances  
- Writing programs  
- Scheduling dancer's rehearsals  
- Arranging travel and accommodations  
- Scheduling showcases for press and donors
- Associate Artistic Director, Ashland Regional Ballet** 04-04  
Job includes: - Staging ballets for performances  
- Running rehearsals/coaching  
- Scheduling rehearsals  
- Choreographing  
- Teaching  
- Grant writing - grants awarded: \$54,000

## EDUCATION

- Ashland High School 9-12<sup>th</sup> grade  
Ashland University, Summer Theatre Festival summer 94  
Opus II Dance Studio - on scholarship 92-95  
Cleveland School of Ballet - on scholarship summer 93  
Milwaukee School of Ballet - on scholarship summer 95  
School of Ballet Arizona, Ki Wan Han - as company apprentice 95 - 96  
Voice Lessons with Kay Raplenovich 92 - 95