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Performing Arts/Theater

Combat Hippies, LLC - Executive Director/Writer/Performer

- Ensemble-based company whose devised work focuses on works about combatants as people of color, and shares experiences of veteran's adjustment to life after war as well as that of civilians from war-torn countries. The work also explores the search for meaning, purpose, and identity through enlisting in the military, as well as Puerto Rico's cultural and military heritage.
- Lead grant writer and administrator, manages finances, record keeping
- Approves, communicates, and schedules public relations interviews
- Conducts community workshops and presentations on creative writing and healing from trauma

Education/Experience

Barry University Miami, Florida
Master of Social Work, clinically focused/trauma-informed curriculum

Barry University School of Social Work Miami, Florida
Post-Masters Certificate in Mindfulness and Therapeutic Practice Feb 2017

Performances

2022 Kennedy Center Arts Summit - Washington, DC
2022 Art2Action Veterans Open Mic Featured Artist - Tampa, FL
2021 Ramapo College - Mahwah, New Jersey
2021 4th Annual Chicago International Latino Theater Festival
2020 La MaMa Experimental Theatre Club (Reflections of Native Voices) - New York, NY
2019 Theater Communications Group (TCG) Block Party - Miami, FL
2019 First National Veterans Theater Festival – Milwaukee, WI
2019 National Veterans Art Museum Triennial Veteran Art Summit (on War and Survival) – Chicago, IL
2019 Su Teatro – Denver, CO
2019 Movimiento de Arte y Cultura Latino Americana – San Jose, CA
2019 Premiere performances of AMAL – Miami, FL
2018 Miami Book Fair – Miami, FL
2018 Broward County Library Vet Fest – Fort Lauderdale, FL
2018 Work-In-Progress showing at MDC Live Arts Lab - Miami, FL
2017 Art2Action, Inc. Veteran's Open Mic featured artist - Tampa, FL
2017 Connected Warriors Fundraiser - Mizner Park Cultural Center, FL
2017 Ashoka Conference at Miami Dade College, Wolfson Campus
2017 Art2Action's R&R Festival - Tampa, FL
2016 Performing Cultural Arts Theatre at Broward College, South Campus
2016 Seminole Theatre - Homestead, FL
2016 TEDxCoconutGrove - Miami, FL
2015 Nova Southeastern University Black Box Theater - Davie, FL
2015 Barry University - Miami, FL
2015 MDC Live Arts Lab (two performances) - Miami, FL
2015 The Betsy - Miami Beach, FL

Workshops/Presentations

2023 O, Miami Sunroom Poetry teacher (Hadley Elementary School, 4th grade)
2022 Kennedy Center Arts Summit
2022 O, Miami Greenhouse - Apprenticeship mentor for young adult Miami-based creatives of all disciplines
2022 Network of Ensemble Theater Create + Activate initiative, a support space for BIPOC ensemble artists
2021 German Cultural Center war and art panel discussion - virtual
2021 Jewish Museum of Florida/Florida Int'l University (FIU) workshop - Miami Beach, FL
2019 FIU/Wolfsonian Museum performance - Miami Beach, FL
2018 Perez Art Museum Miami (PAMM) Local Views performance - Miami, FL
2017 Department of Veterans Affairs Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Recovery Center (PRRC) – Tampa, FL
2017 University of South Florida student performance workshop – Tampa, FL
2017 University of South Florida Student Veterans Art Workshop – Tampa, FL
2017 Dept Veterans Affairs LGBT Veteran Summit – Sunrise, FL
2017 Arts For Health Florida Symposium - Hallandale Beach, FL
2017 Council of College and Military Educators Annual Symposium – Atlanta, GA
2017 Monthly Veterans Creative Expression Workshop (ongoing) – Miami, FL
2016 Miami VA Medical Center – PTSD/Substance Abuse therapy group
2016 United Way of Broward County Commission on Substance Abuse Behavioral Health Conference
2016 Barry University School of Social Work – Miami Shores, FL
2016 Miami Dade College, Homestead Campus Veterans Day event
2016 Orange Island Arts Foundation Veterans Showcase – Fort Lauderdale, FL
2016 Military Appreciation Day - Homestead, FL
2015 Miami VA Medical Center - Outpatient Mental Health therapy group
2015 Miami Dade College, Wolfson Campus 9/11 Event
2015 Veterans Open Mic at Books & Books - Miami, FL

Awards/Grants

2023 Broward Innovation Grant awardee
2023 National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Veteran Fellowship
2022 National Association of Latino Arts and Cultures (NALAC) Leadership Fellow
2021 Kennedy Center Citizen Artist Fellowship (CAF)
2017 Florida Department of State Individual Artist Grant
2017 New England Foundation for the Arts Development Grant
2017 National Performance Network's Creation and Development Fund
2017 Finalist - New England Foundation for the Arts (National Theater Project Creation & Touring Grant)
2016 Winner - Knight Arts Challenge Grant
2016 TEDxCoconutGrove – Audience favorite

Committees

2023 - National Endowment for the Arts, Creative Forces Grant panelist
2022 - Network of Ensemble Theaters (NET/TEN) Continuation Grant panelist (upcoming)
2022 - O, Miami Poetry organization pilot program to develop inclusive, trauma-informed, wellness-centered curricula for future educational programming – consultant
2022 - National Veterans Art Museum Triennial Veteran Art Summit planning committee – Chicago, IL
2017, 2018 Panelist - Miami-Dade County Dept Cultural Affairs, Youth Arts Enrichment (YEP) Grants Program

Trainings

2017, 2018 - Pangea World Theater/Art2Action's Directing and Ensemble Training Institute