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COSTUME DESIGN

2026*	A Raisin in the Sun	University of Maryland	Kenyatta Rogers <i>Dir.</i>
2026*	If I Were You	Maryland Opera Studio	Corinne Hayes <i>Dir.</i>
2026	Ghosted	Imagination Stage	Alina Collins Maldonado <i>Dir.</i>
2025	The Dragon	Spooky Action Theater	Elizabeth Dinkova <i>Dir.</i>
2025	The Good Peaches	American Stage	Helen Murray <i>Dir.</i>
2025	Waitress: The Musical	Hangar Theatre Company	Shirley Serotsky <i>Dir.</i>
2025	The Berlin Diaries	Theatre J	Elizabeth Dinkova <i>Dir.</i>
2025	This Girl Laughs, This Girl Cries...	American Stage	Helen Murray <i>Dir.</i>
2024	The Figs	American Stage	Helen Murray <i>Dir.</i>
2024	Frontières Sans Frontières	Spooky Action Theater	Elizabeth Dinkova <i>Dir.</i>
2024	Mean Girls: The Musical	Sidwell Friends School	Sentell Harper <i>Dir.</i>
2023	Moses	Theatre J	Johanna Gruenhut <i>Dir.</i>
2023	Ride the Cyclone	NextStop Theatre Company	Megan Bunn <i>Dir.</i>
2023	La Salpêtrière	Taffety Punk Theatre Company	Danielle Drakes <i>Dir.</i>
2023	The 39 Steps	NextStop Theatre Company	Evan Hoffman <i>Dir.</i>
2023	Sweat	The Keegan Theatre	Angelisa Gillyard <i>Dir.</i>
2023	Monsters of the American Cinema	Prologue Theatre	Jason Tamborini <i>Dir.</i>
2023	Billy Elliot: The Musical	Hangar Theatre Company	Courtney Young <i>Dir.</i>
2023	Nate the Great	Imagination Stage	Janet Stanford <i>Dir.</i>
2023	The Wilting Point	The Keegan Theatre	Danielle Drakes <i>Dir.</i>
2022	Sunday at Sodom / A Parsifal	Hangar Theatre FutureNow	Logan Gabrielle Schulman <i>Dir.</i>
2022	Apollo of Bellac	Hangar Theatre FutureNow	Andrew Coopman <i>Dir.</i>
2022	Antigonick	Hangar Theatre FutureNow	Emily Hartford <i>Dir.</i>
2022	Dragons Love Tacos	Hangar Theatre Kiddstuff	Emily Hartford <i>Dir.</i>
2022	Bob Marley's Three Little Birds	Hangar Theatre Kiddstuff	Logan Gabrielle Schulman <i>Dir.</i>
2022	Cinderella Eats Rice and Beans: A Salsa Fairytale	Hangar Theatre Kiddstuff	Andrew Coopman <i>Dir.</i>
2022	Coriolanus	UNC School of the Arts	Raelle Myrick Hodges <i>Dir.</i>
2021	Heathers: The Musical	UNC School of the Arts	Scott Zigler <i>Dir.</i>
2021	An Afternoon at the Radio Opera	UNC School of the Arts	Steven LaCosse <i>Dir.</i>
2020	Down in the Face of God	UNC School of the Arts	Cameron Knight <i>Dir.</i>

ASSISTANT COSTUME DESIGN

2026	Nothing Up My Sleeve	Roundhouse Theater	Jeanette Christensen <i>Des.</i>
2025	The Merry Wives of Windsor	University of Maryland	Colin Franz <i>Des.</i>
2024	Emma	University of Maryland	Doni Rotunno <i>Des.</i>
2023	One Jewish Boy	Theatre J	Danielle Preston <i>Des.</i>
2023	A Nice Indian Boy	Olney Theatre Center	Danielle Preston <i>Des.</i>
2023	The Mortification of Fovea Munson	The Kennedy Center TYA	Erik Teague <i>Des.</i>
2022	The Till Trilogy	Mosaic Theater Company	Danielle Preston <i>Des.</i>
2022	Natasha, Pierre, and the Great Comet of 1812	Hangar Theatre Company	Deb Sivigny <i>Des.</i>
2022	Cabaret	Hangar Theatre Company	Amanda Gladu <i>Des.</i>
2022	School Girls; Or The African Mean Girls Play	Hangar Theatre Company	Danielle Preston <i>Des.</i>
2020	La Clemenza di Tito	UNC School of the Arts	Bee Gable <i>Des.</i>

RELATED THEATRICAL EXPERIENCE

2025	UMoves Dance Concert Media Designer	University of Maryland	Bruktawit Mekonnen <i>Choreo.</i>
2023	VSA Playwright Discovery Program Costume Designer	The Kennedy Center Access/VSA	McRae & Diane Nutting <i>Dir.</i>
2023	Sweat Tattoo & Makeup Designer	Santa Fe Playhouse	Robyn Rikoon <i>Dir</i>

SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS

Acrylic, Gouache, and Watercolor Painting | Adobe Photoshop | Procreate | Drawing | Dramaturgy | SFX Makeup | Theatrical Tattoos | Millinery | Aging, Dyeing, and Distressing | Hand and Machine Sewing | Embroidery | Beading | Crafts and Sculpture | Basic Makeup and Wig styling | Basic Draping and Pattern Drafting | Microsoft Excel | Isadora v.4 | Adobe After Effects | Valid U.S. Passport | Valid Drivers License | Fully Vaccinated (Pfizer) and Booster (Moderna)

AWARDS & DEVELOPMENT

2025 [Theatre Washington Mentorship Program](#)- Mentee under Meghan Raham
2024 [Helen Hayes Award](#)- Outstanding Production- PLAY, Helen - *La Salpêtrière*
2023 [Kenan Fellowship at the Kennedy Center](#)- Costume Design Fellow
2022 [Hangar Theatre Design Fellowship](#)- Costume Design Fellow
2021 [Katharine & John Johnson Endowed Scholarship](#)- UNC School of the Arts
2021 [Design & Production Performance Scholarship](#)- UNC School of the Arts
2018 [Costume Design Scholarship](#)- Florida District 8 Thespian Festival

EDUCATION

[University of Maryland](#) • 2027 • MFA Candidate
Costume Design Graduate Assistantship

[University of North Carolina School of the Arts](#) • 2022 • BFA
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REFERENCES

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