# **JANET COLLARD**

#### **CHOREOGRAPHER • DANCE ARTIST • TEACHER • DANCE HISTORIAN**

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#### EDUCATION

MA in Dance History/Philosophy, Roehampton University, London, UK, 2022 MFA in Dance Performance/Choreography, Mills College, Oakland, CA, 2007 BFA in Dance, California Institute of the Arts, Valencia, CA, 2003

#### CERTIFICATIONS

Gyrokinesis Level I Certified Apprentice Trainer, Kings Cross Studios, London, UK, 2024

Gyrotonic Level I Certified Trainer, Gyrotonic Venezia, Mestre, Italy, 2023 Balanced Body Comprehensive Pilates Instructor, College of San Mateo, San Mateo, CA 2012

#### RESIDENCIES

#### Re: Union, Biennale Performative Arts Meeting, Lisbon, Portugal, 2020

• Showed film of *Performing Valeska*, participated in online artist talks and feedback sessions, taught contemporary dance classes

## University of Rochester, Dance and Movement Department, Rochester, N.Y. 2019

• Performed solo project *Performing Valeska*, lectures for music, dance and cultural studies departments, taught contemporary and improvisation classes

#### Shawl-Anderson Dance Center, Berkeley, CA, 2008

• Artist in Residence, granted rehearsal space assisting with producing original production *Off Grid* at Temescal Art Center in Oakland

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

#### **HIGHER EDUCATION**

#### College of San Mateo, San Mateo, CA 2013-2015

• Designed curriculum for contemporary dance, jazz, ballet and pilates classes, where we explored structure of a dance class as well as technique, composition, choreography and choreographic collaborations and dance production.

• Fulfilled administrative tasks in accordance with the duties of the College including assignments and end of semester assessments and grading

#### Mills College, University of San Francisco, San Francisco State, 2011-2013

Cover Teacher for contemporary dance and pilates classes

#### **COMMUNITY TEACHING**

#### Youth Musical Theater Company, Berkeley, CA 2015 to present

• Teacher of dance and choreography for YMTC's pre-professional and professional musical theater productions, as well as master classes throughout the year

#### AXIS Dance Company, Oakland, CA 2008-2011

Teacher of physically integrated contemporary dance classes and workshops

• Lead teacher for AXIS' annual summer intensive, a gathering of international disabled and non-disabled dance artists

#### Shawl-Anderson Dance Center, Berkeley, CA 2007-2010

• Teacher of contemporary dance and choreography for youth and professional dancers at bustling, established center for dance in the Bay Area

#### CHOREOGRAPHY

#### Youth Musical Theater Company, Berkeley, CA 2015 to present

• Choreographer for pre-professional and professional musical theater productions: *Company, Carousel, Spring Awakening, A Man of No Importance, Bat Boy, A Chorus Line, Next to Normal, RENT,* and the original production of *Don't Stop Me* written by Krista Knight and Dave Malloy

#### Bay Area Children's Theater, Oakland, CA, Shanghai, China, 2019

• Choreographer for the Advanced Performers production of *The Drowsy Chaperone* 

• Choreographer for 4-week summer intensive with Shanghai Children's Art Theater for the productions of *Shrek Jr.* and *Singin' in the Rain* 

#### Re:Act Theater, San Francisco, CA 2018

• Choreographer for adaptation of Bram Stoker's Dracula, written by Amy Prosser

#### California Shakespeare Theatre, Orinda, CA 2017

• Choreographer, The Glass Menagerie

#### College of San Mateo, San Mateo, CA 2013-2015

Choreographer for Dance Production winter and spring

#### **Douglas Morrison Theater, Hayward, CA 2012**

• Choreographer, Eurydice

#### Shotgun Players, Berkeley, CA 2012

• Assistant Choreographer, Assassins

#### Berkeley Playhouse, Berkeley, CA 2012

• Choreographer, *Planet Z II*, original musical written by Jon Tracy

#### Shawl-Anderson Dance Center, Berkeley, CA 2010

• Choreographer for Youth Ensemble, original piece, Pomp and Quirkumstance

#### PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

## *Voicing the Voiceless: A Living History Performance,* Old Operating Theatre, London, UK 2022, 2023

• Performer/Collaborator for a reenactment at London's oldest operating theatre for Victorian surgery

#### Performing Valeska, Nationally Toured, 2018 to present

• Solo dance theater performance based on avant-garde artist Valeska Gert, Choreographed and Written by Janet Collard

#### Nancy Karp and Dancers, ODC Theater, San Francisco 2015 – 2017

• Dancer/Collaborator for choreographer Nancy Karp's full length piece Memory/Place

## Push Up Something Hidden Productions, *Six Suites, Community Music Center, San Francisco* 2016

• Dancer/Choreographer for Six Suites, Bach Suite no. 4 for cello, musician Alex Keitel

#### Gerald Casel Dance, Santa Cruz, San Francisco, Honolulu, HI 2015-2016

• Dancer for choreographer Gerald Casel's full length piece, Splinters in Our Ankles

# Katie Faulkner/little seismic dance company, San Francisco Bay Area 2005 – 2016

• Company Dancer/Collaborator

#### **Opera Parallele, San Francisco, CA 2014**

• Dancer for the contemporary opera Anya 17

#### AXIS Dance Company, National Touring 2008-2011

• Company Dancer for physically integrated nationally touring repertory dance company, performed in the works of many choreographers including: Alex Ketley, David Dorfman, Joe Goode, Kate Weare, Sonya Delwaide and Shinichi Iova-Koga