

# LEAH HUMMEL

## costume design & teaching

### COSTUME DESIGN

#### Theatre

date	production	director	theater
2023	<i>Elizabeth is Going into the Ground</i>	Jenny Lavery	The University of Texas at Austin
2023	<i>Fishing for Stars</i>	[Devised Piece]	The University of Texas at Austin
2022	<i>Jinkies! Or The Dog Play</i>	Braxton Rae	The University of Texas at Austin
2021	<i>Little Shop of Horrors</i>	Michael Querio	Rocky Mountain Repertory
2019	<i>The Effect</i>	Elly Green	Strawdog Theatre Company
2019	<i>Wendy &amp; Peter Pan</i>	Hannah Yeager	Niles West High School Theatre
2019	<i>The Fundamentals</i>	Andy Sinclair	Niles West High School Theatre
2019	<i>Macbeth</i>	Sam Rosenfeld	Niles West High School Theatre
2018	<i>The Revolutionists</i>	Denise Yvette Serna	Strawdog Theatre Company
2018	<i>Little Shop of Horrors</i>	Andy Sinclair	Niles West High School Theatre
2018	<i>The Truth About Santa...</i>	David Lew Cooper	Intrinsic Theatre Company
2018	<i>Disney's The Little Mermaid</i>	Andy Sinclair	Niles West High School Theatre
2018	<i>The Diary of Anne Frank</i>	Sam Rosenfeld	Niles West High School Theatre
2018	<i>Les Misérables: School Edition</i>	Andy Sinclair	Niles West High School Theatre
2018	<i>Machinal</i>	Hannah Yeager	Niles West High School Theatre
2017	<i>25<sup>th</sup> Annual... Spelling Bee</i>	Andy Sinclair	Niles West High School Theatre
2017	<i>Rent: School Edition</i>	Andy Sinclair	Niles West High School Theatre
2017	<i>Proof</i>	Andy Sinclair	Niles West High School Theatre
2015	<i>One Man, Two Guvnors</i>	Mark Liermann	Western Michigan University
2015	<i>Goodnight Moon</i>	Sandra Bremer	Farmer's Alley Theatre
2014	<i>A Raisin in the Sun</i>	Warren Bowles	Hope Summer Repertory
2014	<i>9 to 5 The Musical</i>	Jay Berkow	Western Michigan University
2014	<i>The Tiger Who Came to Tea</i>	Ken Holda	Farmer's Alley Theatre
2012	<i>The Truth About Santa</i>	David Lew Cooper	What A Do Theatre

#### Dance

date	production	choreographer	theater
2022	<i>Witchcraft</i>	Leah Cox	The University of Texas at Austin
2022	<i>Pop Refuge</i>	Joel Valentín-Martínez	The University of Texas at Austin
2022	<i>digital-esque</i>	Rebecca Carrillo	The University of Texas at Austin
2022	<i>And I Can Breathe Again...</i>	Anna Valdman	The University of Texas at Austin
2022	<i>Buzzfest</i>	EG Gionfriddo	ARCOS Dance Company
2021	<i>Contryonymic Living</i>	Jesse Zarritt	The University of Texas at Austin

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### Film

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2023	<i>Paper Fangs</i>	California Thorsen
2021	<i>The Fisherman &amp; The Fish</i>	Sashko & Olya Mikhaylova

### Assistant Costume Design

date	production	designer	theater
2022	<i>Love &amp; Information</i>	Hsiaowei Chen	The University of Texas at Austin
2015	<i>Vanya &amp; Sonya &amp; Masha &amp; Spike</i>	Kathryn Wagner	Farmer's Alley Theatre
2015	<i>Glass Menagerie</i>	Kathryn Wagner	Farmer's Alley Theatre
2012	<i>An Inspector Calls</i>	Jessica Leslie	Hope Summer Repertory
2012	<i>25<sup>th</sup> Annual ... Spelling Bee</i>	Jessica Leslie	Hope Summer Repertory
2012	<i>Diary of a Worm...</i>	Jessica Leslie	Hope Summer Repertory

### PROPS DESIGN

date	production	director	theater
2019	<i>Yen</i>	Elly Green	Raven Theatre
2018	<i>Empty Threats</i>	Krissy Vanderwarker	The Neo-Futurists
2018	<i>Pillars of the Community</i>	Elly Green	Strawdog Theatre Company
2017	<i>Barbecue</i>	Damon Kiely	Strawdog Theatre Company
2017	<i>Bye Bye Birdie</i>	Ashton Byrum	Starlight Theatre
2016	Season	Multiple	Wilmette Center for the Arts
2016	Season	Multiple	Wilmette Children's Theatre

### MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS

date	project	position
2023	<i>GendTent</i> [Interactive Walk-Around Installation Piece]	Textile Fabricator
2023	Children's Youth & Performance Conference	Presenter
2015	<i>House of Torment</i> [Seasonal Haunted Attraction]	Wardrobe Lead

### RELATED EXPERIENCE

date	production	theater
2021	Wardrobe Head	Rocky Mountain Repertory
2015	Wardrobe Head	Rocky Mountain Repertory
2013	Costume Shop Student Stitcher	Western Michigan University
2013	Wardrobe Head	Hope Summer Repertory
2012	Costume Shop Stitcher/Finisher	Hope Summer Repertory

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### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### The University of Texas at Austin

Spring 2023

*Teaching Assistant. Course: TD 311D Performance as Collaborative Practice*

Undergraduate level course designed to increase students' familiarity with a range of creative modalities and to regularly practice collaboration. Acted as teaching assistant to Raquel Barreto for the "design" module. Collaborated with Professor Barreto to create curriculum and assignments around collaboration and design and oversaw and taught class alongside Professor Barreto. Class culminated in a final collaborative project to demonstrate combined knowledge of modules.

#### The University of Texas at Austin

Fall 2022

*Teaching Assistant. Course: TD 314M Technical Theatre*

Undergraduate level course designed to introduce students to the technical side of theatre through hands-on learning. Led costume technology section along with fellow T.A. California Thorsen. Taught lectures on costuming history, fabric and materials, design process, and types of employment. Led hands-on instruction of introductory hand sewing techniques. Module culminated in a costume design project and a final small-craft sewing project. Course supervision by Jason Lee Huerta and Ashton Bennett Murphy.

#### Arc of the Capital Metro Area

Summer 2022

*Site Coordinator & Fine Arts Instructor*

Implemented summer-long fine arts lessons and activities for the Downtown location of the Arc of the Capital Metro Area's Arts Education Program. Oversaw day-to-day operations of fine arts program for people with IDD (intellectual/developmental disabilities). Managed set-up/close-out of daily materials, documented and maintained client records, generated and implemented multi-media arts lesson plans, delegated tasks to volunteers, and managed art studio classroom of 15-25 clients.

#### Ralla Klepak Foundation for Education in the Performing Arts

2021

*Theatre Crafts Instructor*

Provided online instruction to adults with disabilities as part of Yachad Chicago/Ralla Klepak's technical theatre classes. Created props-themed hands-on activities that can be accessible over zoom via multiple modalities (engaging call-and-response presentations and games, activities with written and verbal instructions, providing supplies to adult students ahead of time to familiarize them with material).

#### Niles West High School

2015-2020

*Extracurricular Costume Design & Costume Shop Manager*

Oversaw extracurricular theatrical costuming program for students aged 14-18. Designed 5 theatrical productions per academic school year, while teaching basic to intermediate costume

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construction to high school-aged students, along with costume crafts and props creation techniques. Maintained wardrobe paperwork and theatre crafts lesson planning, while overseeing student costume shop volunteers.

### EDUCATION

- 2021-2024 **University of Texas at Austin**- MFA Candidate, Live Design (Costume Design Focus),  
Projected graduation: May 2024
- 2011-2015 **Western Michigan University**- BFA- Theatrical Design & Technology, Cum Laude

### AWARDS

- 2019 Jeff Award Nomination- Best Costume Design: "The Revolutionists"
- 2015 Kennedy Center ACTF Region III Regional Costume Design Award Winner: "Rashomon"
- 2015 Kennedy Center ACTF Region III Stagecraft Institute of Las Vegas Scholarship Winner