

# DIONNA PRIDGEON

Global Educator/Multifaceted Creative

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Bringing a wealth of experience from residing in 5 states and 1 country, I've utilized both my holistic teaching methods & creative expertise to make a global impact. My commitment to fostering inclusive environments reflect my leadership skills, driving positive change and innovation across diverse communities, both nationally and internationally.

## SUMMARY OF SKILLS

### RELEVANT

- EDUCATION & MENTORING
- LESSON PLANNING & MATERIAL DEVELOPMENT
- BRAND BUILDING
- COPYWRITING/CONTENT CREATION
- OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY

### TRANSFERABLE

- VISIONARY LEADERSHIP
- ADAPTIVE TEACHING/DEVELOPMENT
- MULTIFACETED FACILITATION
- EFFICIENT PROJECT MANAGEMENT
- EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION/CONTENT CREATION

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### BLOGGER/WRITER | Self-Employed | Remote

Sep '10 - Present

- Intuitively utilized authentic storytelling for LinkedIn articles and personal WordPress blog, increasing followers and building an engaged audience.
- Contributed an article to Dance Teacher Magazine in 2022, showcasing expertise in the field of dance.
- Independently self-published a poetry book on Amazon in 2021, demonstrating entrepreneurial spirit and creative writing prowess.

### MENTOR/PRIVATE ENGLISH ACADEMY TEACHER | South Korea

Aug '23 - Jan '24

- Thoroughly preparing viable lesson material for student retention: Elementary, Middle School and Adult learning levels
- Offering online zoom sessions, for convenient learning and client comfort

### LIGHTING/SOUND OPERATOR | Arts on Site | New York, NY

April 2023 to August 2023

- Engaged in a freelance role encompassing the operation of manual LED lighting and sound boards for dance, visual arts, and theatre performances.

- Intuitively, assumed occasional operational duties, house management, and participated in cleanup, all while fostering a welcoming atmosphere for guests.

**DANCE EDUCATOR | CHOREOGRAPHER** | Various locations

Jan '04 - Jun '23

- Masterfully taught weekly dance classes, workshops, masterclasses, nationally & internationally, steadily accomplished within the past 19 years, with the proficiency in both dance execution and knowledge, which includes seven styles of dance, crossing in-between concert, commercial, & musical theatre worlds, consisting of kids, teens, pre-professionals, professional artists & adults.

**FOUNDER | CREATIVE DIRECTOR of moveDIPR LLC** | New York

Aug '15 - Apr '23

- Creatively founded moveDIPR brand through vision, utilizing my expertise in dance education, to be implemented in newfound business; while exercising strategic planning, creative direction, & production; hired highly skilled members, scouted new talent for performance events & provided mentorship, for business growth & recognition in the New York arts community.
- Successfully innovated several program initiatives, implemented a recognizable brand apparel line, scaled a product line of 9 available items for online purchase, generated a profitable revenue stream & economic budget, by providing affordable community access to dance training in NYC

**OPS & COMMS COORD** | Spaceworks | New York

Jan '19 - June '19

- Utilized exceptional copywriting skills to proofread campaign launches & monthly newsletters, combined with developing video content, designed flyers, posters, & announcements for multiplatform social media management

**EXECUTIVE ASST/OPERATIONS ASSOCIATE** | Spaceworks NYC | New York

Sept '18 to Jan '19

- Oversaw daily customer service interactions and completed office administrative tasks, engaging with the client base through both phone and ticketing systems. Facilitated artist intake and managed studio rental bookings.
- Primarily tasked with efficiently managing processes such as refund processing, coupon coding, payment invoice distribution, monthly inventory status updates, and weekly reservation reports on the FileMaker platform.

## EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

**Bachelor in the Arts | Point Park University| PA**

*4.0 GPA, Academic/Dance Scholarship, Dean's List, Honors Program, Magna Cum Laude, National Honors Society, National French Honors Society*

**Digital Media Initiative**

Gibney Dance Center  
Course completion | New York

**Certified Trauma-Informed Coach**

The Centre For Healing| The CPD Group

**DEI Awareness Professional Certification**

Course graduate | by LinkedIn Learning

**TESOL/TEFL Certified | World TESOL Academy**

Course graduate by ACCEDITAT & CPD

**Adult/Infant/Child CPR & 1ST AID Certified**

Course completion | New Life CPR