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## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

#### **EDUCATION**

- 2018 **California State University**, Long Beach, CA (August 2018) Master of Fine Arts, Dance Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society Graduate Dean's List
- 2004 Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic Czech Linguistics Summer Program
- 1994 University of Salamanca, Salamanca, Spain Spanish Literature Study Abroad Program
- 1996 Goucher College, Towson, MD Bachelor of Arts in Spanish and International / Intercultural Studies National Dean's List 1993-1996

#### TRAININGS: DANCE / SOMATIC

2008 - Present	Gyrotonic Expansion System Trainings
2018	Yoga Narada: Hilary Cartwright
2006 - Present	Argentine Social Tango
2002 - Present	Workshops: Akram Khan, Ohad Naharin, Danielle Agami, Doug Varone, Desmond Richardson
2014 - 2016	Vaganova Ballet Technique, Classical Ballet Academy, Altadena, CA,
2015	Pilates Teacher Training, Sayezz (BASI) and BodyScape (Stott, Rehabilitative)
2011 - 2014	Physical Theater Training (Eastern European Tradition), Synetic Theater, VA
1997 - 2014	Modern, Ballet, Jazz, Hip Hop, West African, Joy of Motion, Dance Place (DC)
1997 - 2014	Classical Ballet, Maryland Youth Ballet, MD
2007	Reggio Emilia Teaching Methodology, Reggio Emilia, Italy
2004 - 2008	Classical Indonesian (Javanese) Dance, Indonesian Embassy, DC
2000	Contact Improv, Modern, Prague, CZ
1996	Classical Ballet (Balanchine), Dover Conservatory, Dover, DE
1994	Sevillanas (Spanish Folk Dance) University of Salamanca, Salamanca, Spain
1992 - 1994	Ballet, Modern, Jazz, Baroque-WWII Historic Dances, West African, Goucher College
1990 - 1992	Classical Ballet (RAD) Peabody Preparatory, Baltimore, MD

#### **CERTIFICATIONS**

- 2017 GYROKINESIS® Teacher Training (Pre-Trainer) Certification
- 2014 GYROTONIC® Teacher Training (Pre-Trainer) Certification
- 2013 GYROKINESIS® Certification (with special training in Level 2 Beginner, Level 2, Essentials)
- 2013 GYROTONER® Certification
- 2010 **GYROTONIC®** Certification (with special training in Applications for Osteopathy, Pre/Post Natal, Osteoporosis, Applications for Dancers, Level 2 Format 1, and Level 2 Format 2)

#### AWARDS / GRANTS / SCHOLARSHIPS

2017 - 2018	Celeste Kennedy Scholarship, CSULB
2017 - 2018	State University Grant, CSULB
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2016 - 2017	State University Grant, CSULB
2013	31st Annual Choreographers Showcase, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center
2012	Kennedy Center Choreography Commission for Female Choreographer Evening
2009	Kennedy Center Choreography Commission for Dance is the Answer Initiative
2009	Metro DC Dance Awards, Finalist for "Emerging Choreographer" (Ellesmere)
2006	Kennedy Center Local Commission Project 2006, Choreography Fellowship
2005	DC Commission Artist Fellowship for Excellence in Dance
2003 - 2004	Young Artists Grant from the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities and the
	National Endowment for the Arts
2002	Metro DC Dance Awards, Won "Excellence in Sound Design/Original Comp." (Prism)
2001	Small Project Grant, DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities and National
	Endowment for the Arts

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

2016 - Present	International Dance Council CID at UNESCO, Member
2014 - Present	Dance Resource Center, Member
2014 - Present	Answers for Dancers, Member
2014 - Present	International Consortium for Advancement in Choreography, Inc, Member
2010 - Present	Dance Metro DC, Member

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE: DANCE**

2016 - Present	<b>California State University Long Beach</b> , <i>Part-Time Lecturer</i> Beginning Jazz, Intermediate Ballet, Introduction to Modern, Viewing Dance, Functional Anatomy for Dancers (Intern)
2014 - 2016	Orange County School for the Arts, Modern Dance Teacher / Choreographer / GYROKINESIS® Instructor (Classical and Contemporary Dance Department "CCD") GYROKINESIS®, dance conditioning, Modern Dance
2013 - 2014	Synetic Theater, <i>Movement Instructor</i> GYROKINESIS®, Tango
2012 - 2014	Aja Fenn Tango, Tango Instructor (Argentine Social Tango) Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced Tango Classes / Workshops
2004 - 2014	Joy of Motion, Dance Instructor GYROKINESIS®, Pre-Ballet, Ballet, Modern and Broadway Jazz
2004 - 2013	Sheridan School, <i>Kindergarten Teacher, Movement Instructor, Music Teacher</i> Kindergarten (Math, Reading, Writing, Social Studies, Art) Dance, Yoga, Music, Chorus
2006 - 2011	Tango Mercurio, <i>Tango Instructor, Musician (Argentine Social Tango)</i> Beginning and Intermediate Tango, Tango Music Workshops

2000 - 2004	CityDance Ensemble (CityDance Outreach Program), Dance Instructor
	African, Stretch, Jazz, Modern Dance, Hip Hop and Creative Movement for At-Risk
	Youth. Modern Dance Partnering and Contact Improvisation in St. Petersburg, Russia.

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2002 Big Apple Circus, Dance / Music Instructor
Creative Movement Techniques combined with Music / Sound in hospital settings.
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#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE: SOMATIC MOVEMENT

2016 - Present	AXIS Classical Pilates, GYROTONIC®/GYROKINESIS® Instructor, Pre-Trainer GYROKINESIS® and GYROTONIC® exercise, Teacher Trainings
2014 - Present	SOURCE STUDIO, Owner, GYROTONIC®/GYROKINESIS® Instructor, Pre-Trainer GYROKINESIS® and GYROTONIC® exercise, Teacher Trainings, Pilates
2014 - 2016	Pilates Eagle Rock, GYROTONIC®/GYROKINESIS® Instructor and Pre-Trainer GYROKINESIS® and GYROTONIC® exercise.
2014 - 2016	Bodyscape Integrative Physical Therapy, <i>GYROTONIC®/GYROKINESIS® Instructor</i> and Pre-Trainer GYROKINESIS® and GYROTONIC® and Pilates exercise
2014	Southern California Health Conference, GYROKINESIS® Instructor GYROKINESIS® movement workshops
2014 - 2015	In-Spiraling Movement Arts, GYROTONIC®/GYROKINESIS® Instructor/ GYROTONIC® Pre-Trainer Teach GYROKINESIS® and GYROTONIC® exercise
2013	Mime Fest, (International Mime Festival) Czech Republic, GYROKINESIS® Instructor GYROKINESIS® workshops
2010 - 2014	Elements Wellness and Fitness Center, GYROTONIC®/GYROKINESIS® Instructor/ PT AIDE / GYROTONIC® Pre-Trainer GYROKINESIS® and GYROTONIC® exercise
2010 - 2014	Pilates Room, GYROTONIC®/GYROKINESIS® Instructor GYROKINESIS® and GYROTONIC® exercise

#### **<u>CREATIVE WORKS: CHOREOGRAPHY / PERFORMANCE (location and date indicates premiere)</u>**

2018 Antigone X: *Theater Play* Director: Jeff Janisheski, Chair & Professor, Theatre Arts Department Movement Consultant / Choreographer: Francesca Jandasek Venue: CSULB Theatre Arts Department, Long Beach, CA

> **The Immured Woman:** Half-Evening Length Interdisciplinary Performance Work Choreographer: Francesca Jandasek Original Sound Score: Francesca Jandasek Original Artwork/Projections: Francesca Jandasek Venue: Martha B. Knoebel Dance Theater, Long Beach, CA

#### **Rover the Bear:** *Theater Play* Director: April Sigman-Marx, MFA, Theatre Arts Department Movement Consultant / Choreographer: Francesca Jandasek Venue: CSULB Theatre Arts Department, Long Beach, CA

Shadows: Dance Film Choreographer / Director: Francesca Jandasek Original Sound Score: Francesca Jandasek

2017 **Malleus Maleficarum:** *Half-Evening Length Dance Theater Work* Choreographer: Francesca Jandasek Original Sound Score: Francesca Jandasek Venue: Martha B. Knoebel Dance Theater, Long Beach, CA

> **Her Tango:** *Feature Film* Choreographers / Performers: Francesca Jandasek and Dan Istrate

**Belle, Qui Tiens Ma Vie:** *Baroque and Contemporary Solo* Choreographer: Francesca Jandasek Venue: Martha B. Knoebel Dance Theater, Long Beach, CA

**Fruits:** *Performance Art / Contemporary Dance Solo* Choreographer: Francesca Jandasek Venue: California State University, Long Beach, CA

#### 2016 **Contain(Her):** Dance Film

Choreographer / Filmmaker: Francesca Jandasek Venue: California State University, Long Beach, CA

Ye Olde Struggle to Possesseth Pow'r (a.k.a. Power Trip): Contemporary Group Work Choreographer: Francesca Jandasek Venue: California State University, Long Beach, CA

**In Between:** *Contemporary Duet* Choreographer: Francesca Jandasek Venue: California State University, Long Beach, CA

**Pilgrimage:** Contemporary Solo Choreographer: Francesca Jandasek Venue: California State University, Long Beach, CA

## **ToGetHer:** Evening Length Interdisciplinary Duet

Presented by Highways Performance Space Choreographers: Francesca Jandasek in collaboration with Dan Istrate Performers: Francesca Jandasek and Dan Istrate Costumes: Francesca Jandasek Original Sound/Music: Francesca Jandasek Original Artwork/Projections: Francesca Jandasek Venue: Highways, Santa Monica, CA

2015 **Disturbing The Peace:** Contemporary Group Work (22 Dancers) Commissioned by Orange County School for the Arts (CCD Conservatory Program.) Choreographer: Francesca Jandasek Venue: Martha B. Knoebel Dance Theater, CSULB **My Trashy Girlfriend:** *Modern Duet* Presented by Trolley Dances Choreographers and Performers: Francesca Jandasek and Stephanie Yezek Jolivet Costumes: Francesca Jandasek and Stephanie Yezek Jolivet Venue: Riverside City College Dance Studio

2014 Pandora: Modern Trio

Commissioned by Joy of Motion Dance Center for the Pre-Professional Youth Dance Ensemble. Choreographer: Francesca Jandasek Venue: The Greenberg Theatre at American University, Washington, DC

Her Flowers: *Modern and Baroque Dance Duet* Presented by the University of Maryland's as part of the 31st Annual Choreographic Showcase. Choreographers and Performers: Francesca Jandasek and Stephanie Yezek Jolivet Costumes: Francesca Jandasek and Stephanie Yezek Jolivet Venue: Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. MD

2014 **Tango:** *Physical Theater Duet for production of "Happily Ever After".* Commissioned by Ambassador Theater Director: Hanna Bondarewska Choreographers: Francesca Jandasek in collaboration with Dan Istrate Venue: Mead Theater Lab, Washington DC

> **Polka:** Professional Theater Production of "Yellow Face" Commissioned by Theater J Director: Natsu Onoda Power. Movement Consultant: Francesca Jandasek Venue: Theater J, Washington DC

- 2013 The T Party: Jazz, Tango, Modern for Professional Theater Production of T Party Commissioned by Forum Theater
   Writer and Director: Natsu Onoda Power.
   Choreographer: Francesca Jandasek in collaboration with Dan Istrate
   Venue: Forum Theater 2013
- 2012 **The Passing:** *Short Dance Film* Directors by Amy Hart and Andy Okoafor Choreographers and Performers: Francesca Jandasek and Dan Istrate Costumes: Francesca Jandasek, Dan Istrate

Pandora's Door: 3 Modern Dance Solos
Presented by and Commissioned by The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts as part of their Women Choreographers Project.
Choreographed and Performed by: Francesca Jandasek
Costumes: Francesca Jandasek
Set: Francesca Jandasek, Scott McKenzie, Dan Istrate
Venue: The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Washington DC

2011 Gallery Space: Evening Length Interdisciplinary Work
 Co-presented and commissioned by Dance Place, July 2011.
 Choreographers and Performers: Francesca Jandasek and Stephanie Yezek Jolivet
 Venue: Dance Place, Washington DC

Xalmoxis: Romanian Folk Dance for Theater Production of Xalmoxis Commissioned by Georgetown University Director Cristina Bejan. Choreographer: Francesca Jandasek Venue: Walsh Black Box Theater, Georgetown University, Washington DC

- 2010 Allusion / Illusion / Elusion: breaking the reflection: Improvisation Collaboration in 3 sections: Abstract Modern on Pointe with Arm Stilts Commissioned by 2640 Music/Move Improvisation as part of Megapolis Audio Festival. Choreographer and Performer: Francesca Jandasek Venue: Area 405, Baltimore, MD
- 2009 **Kingdom of Ends:** *Modern on Pointe* Produced by Baltimore Theater Project. Choreographer and Performer: Francesca Jandasek Original Music: Francesca Jandasek and PJ Acayan Venue: Baltimore Theater Project
- 2009 Invitations: Full Evening Length Work, Baroque and Modern Dance
   Presented by and Commissioned by The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts as part of their
   Answers for Dancers Project.
   Choreographer: Francesca Jandasek
   Costumes: Francesca Jandasek
   Venue: The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Washington DC
- 2007 **Brush Strokes:** *Structure Improvisation Solo* Choreographer and Performer: Francesca Jandasek Venue: Torpedo Factory, Alexandria, VA

**Tangled:** *Modern and Tango* Presented by Dance Place. Choreographers and Performers: Francesca Jandasek and Sharna Fabiano Costumes: Francesca Jandasek and Sharna Fabiano Venue: Dance Place, Washington DC

2006 Ellesmere: Evening Length Interdisciplinary Work
 Presented by and Commissioned by The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts as part of their
 Local Dance Commissioning Project.
 Choreographer: Francesca Jandasek
 Original Music Score: Francesca Jandasek, Pio Tan Acayan Jr.
 Costumes: Francesca Jandasek in collaboration with Barbara Morse and Roger Barkley
 Venue: The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Washington DC

#### PERFORMANCE CREDITS: DANCE, FILM, THEATER

 2019 Orpheus: Dance Film directed by Ben Cunis Actress, Dancer, Choreographer
 2018 Stolen Identity: Music Video by Shirin Majd, directed by Hossein Mirzmohammadi Actress, Dancer, Choreographer
 2017 Her Tango: Feature Length Film directed by Jason Mullis Actress (Caroline), Dancer, Choreographer \*won Award for Best Regional Film at the Alexandria Film Festival

2017	<b>Celebration:</b> choreographed by Andrew Vaca, CSULB <b>Dancer / Soloist</b>
2016	Suite Female: Outcomes X-Z: choreographed by Rebecca Bryant, CSULB Dancer / Soloist
2016	<b>Beyond Busby:</b> Short Film directed by Alexa Roman, Los Angeles, CA Soloist (Aero)
2016	<b>ToGetHer:</b> choreographed by Francesca Jandasek, Santa Monica, CA <b>Choreographer, Composer, Artist, Musician, Dancer/Soloist</b>
2015	Pennington Dance Group, Pasadena, CA Dancer
2006 - 2016	<ul> <li>Sharna Fabiano Tango Company (Dance Magazine's "25 to Watch" in 2008)</li> <li>Dancer / Soloist</li> <li>2015 - Ocean Piece, Highways Performance Space, Santa Monica</li> <li>2105 - The End of the Night, Electric Lodge, Venice, CA</li> <li>2011 - Abrazo Harmon Center, Washington, DC</li> <li>2010 - Abrazo (premiere), Dance Place, Washington, DC</li> <li>2008 - Uno, Festival Cambalache, Buenos Aires, Argentina</li> <li>2008 - Uno (premiere), Dance Place, Washington, DC</li> <li>2007 - Tangos from Here, William Smith Centennial Alumni Concert, Hobart and</li> <li>William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY</li> <li>2006 - Tangos from Here (premiere), Dance Place, Washington, DC</li> </ul>
2009 - 2014	<ul> <li>BAREdances Collaboration</li> <li>Co-Founder, Co-Director, Choreographer and Dancer / Soloist</li> <li>2014 - Her Flowers: Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, MD</li> <li>2011 - Gallery Space (Full Evening Length Work): Dance Place (Washington DC),</li> <li>2009 - Kingdom of Ends: Baltimore Theater Project (Baltimore, MD)</li> <li>2009 - Invitations (Full Evening Length Work): Baltimore Theater Project (Baltimore, MD)</li> <li>2009 - Invitations (Full Evening Length Work): John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts (Washington DC)</li> </ul>
2011-2014	<ul> <li>Synetic Theater (27 Helen Hayes Awards and 116 nominations.)</li> <li>Dancer, Actress</li> <li>2014 - Gertrude Understudy, Hamlet by Shakespeare (directed by Paata Tsikurishvilli)</li> <li>2013 - Viola Understudy, Twelfth Night by Shakespeare (directed by Paata Tsikurishvili)</li> <li>2013 - Antonia, The Tempest by Shakespeare (directed by Paata Tsikurishvili)</li> <li>2012 - Laika's Mother, Trip to the Moon (directed by Natsu Onoda Power)</li> <li>2011 - Dulcinea and Courtier in Don Quixote (directed by Paata Tsikurishvili)</li> </ul>
2013	Mean Girl's Reunion: Short Film directed by Ted Bain and Ludovic Jolivet Actress, Dancer
2008 - 2011	<b>Dakshina Dance Company</b> (Dakshina Dance Company was the Recipient of 2008 Emerging Group Metro DC Dance Award. Awarded NEA grant to travel and perform in India and Bangladesh Dec 2009 - Jan 2010. First American company to perform in Bangladesh.) <b>Dancer</b> (Toured to India, Bangladesh, Vancouver, NY)

CREATIVE V	<b>VORKS: VISUAL ART EXHIBITS / COMMISSIONS / CREATIONS</b>
1994 - 1995	Choreography Antique Dancer
2000	Claxton Castings, Prague, Czech Republic Actress, Commercial Dancer
	<ul> <li>Dancer/Soloist</li> <li>Performed nationally and internationally (Kennedy Center, the Lincoln Center, Dance Place, the Grace Street Theater (VA), The Painted Bride (PA), as well as in St. Petersburg, Russia.) Also performed in various dance films for CityDance FilmWorks.</li> <li>Composer in Residence, Original Music Series Program         <ul> <li>Composed music for dance, which was recorded and released on CD as well as performed live nationally and internationally. Coordinated musicians, dancers and choreographers for live rehearsals and performances, recording sessions and film shoots.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
1998 - 2004	<b>CityDance Ensemble</b> (Top 25 to Watch" in 2003.)
2002 - 2005	Lombardi Cancer Center Arts Program Dancer, Soloist, Choreographer
2001 - 2014	Tomfoolery Entertainment Performer, Actress, Entertainer, Choreographer
2004 - 2006	Artefacts Dancer
2005 - 2007	<ul> <li>Bosma Dance (Dance Magazine's "25 to Watch" in 2007, five-time MetroDC Dance Award winner and invited to perform at 2008 NDEO and Dance Critic's Association Conferences.)</li> <li>Dancer / Soloist</li> <li>2007 - Grass, Evening Length Modern Work (choreographed by Meisha Bosma) 2006 - Plural Me, Contemporary Israeli Work (choreographed by Ofra Idel Lipshitz) 2005 - Handle with Care, Evening Length Work (choreographed by Meisha Bosma)</li> </ul>
2007 - 2008	Santi Budaya LLC Indonesian Dance Company <i>Dancer / Soloist</i>
2008 - 2009	Deviated Theater Dancer / Soloist 2009 - Lore, full evening length dance-theater work 2008 - Aspiro, full evening length dance-theater work
	<ul> <li>2011 - Frida, historical modern dance work (choreographed by Anna Sokolow)</li> <li>2010 - Lila, contemporary Indian dance (choreographed by Daniel Singh)</li> <li>2009 - Dreams, historical modern dance work (choreographed by Anna Sokolow)</li> <li>2008 - Bell Song, contemporary Indian dance (choreographed by Daniel Singh)</li> </ul>

- 2016 **ToGetHer:** *Original Artwork and Projections* Presented by Highways Performance Space.
- 2007 **Body Painting**: *Live painting during performance of Plural Me,choreographed by Ofra Idel Lipshitz.* Presented at the Millennium Stage, Kennedy Center in Performance

- 2006 **Cirque Voila:** *Set* Commissioned by Cirque Voila for a national tour.
- 2005 **Debt:** *Set and Props* Created for a performance of **Debt** by choreographer Ludovic Jolivet at the Terrace Theater at the John F. Kennedy Center for Performing Arts.
- 2004 **Music to the Eye**: *Solo Painting Exhibit and Performance* Made possible by the Young Artist's Grant from the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities and the National Endowment for the Arts, and shown in multiple venues.
- 2003 Short Stories/Then is Now: *Solo Painting Exhibit* An artwork Commission for solo painting exhibit and projection material, created for dance performance at the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center at University of Maryland.
- 2001 **NO STANDING ANYTIME:** *Solo Painting Exhibit* Made possible by a Small Project Grant from the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities and the National Endowment for the Arts, and show in multiple venues.

#### **CREATIVE WORKS: ORIGINAL MUSIC COMPOSITIONS**

- 2018 Shadows: Original score for 10 minute dance film.
- 2018 The Immured Woman: Original score for 40 minute dance performance at CSULB.
- 2018 Confession: Original music commissioned for 10 minute short film (Confession)
- 2017 Malleus Maleficarum: Original found sound music for 27 minute dance performance at CSULB.
- 2006 **Ellesmere:** *One hour long original soundtrack* created as part of a Kennedy Center Dance Commissioning Fellowship.
- 2003 **Chinook:** *Percussion, Fujara and Found Sound collaboration* commissioned by CityDance Ensemble for choreography and dance film by Vladimir Angelov
- 2002 **Prism:** *Piano Duet* commissioned by CityDance Ensemble for choreography by Vladimir Angelov
- 2001 **Dosha:** *Electronic and Vocal piece* commissioned by CityDance Ensemble for choreography by Tara Dunning.
- 2000 Life's Longing Suites 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12: *Original Music* commissioned by CityDance Ensemble for choreography by Tara Dunning
- 2000 **Ora Pro Nobis**: *Vocal Duet* created for performance with CityDance Ensemble
- 1999 The Vigil: Organ Solo created for performance with CityDance Ensemble

#### **GUEST SPEAKER**

- 2006 George Washington University Guest Speaker, Extending the Dance Lexicon
- 2001 Maryland Institute College of Art / Peabody Conservatory / Johns Hopkins University Guest Speaker, The Arts & Technology

### **ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE**

2000 - 2004 CityDance Ensemble, *Director of Development* 

2000 **TANEC PRAHA,** *Translator* Translator (Czech / English / Spanish) and Facilitator for International Dance Festival in Prague, Czech Republic

#### **REFERENCES**

Available upon request.