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**Memberships/Unions:** CAEA, PGC, SOCAN, APN, Theatre Alberta 2023/ 2024

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| Playwrights Instructor                           | Workshop West Theatre <b>2022- 2023</b> ( <i>upcoming</i> )           |
| Playwrights Instructor                           | The Arts Club Theatre <b>2023</b> ( <i>upcoming</i> )                 |
| Guest Playwrights Instructor                     | Citadel Theatre, Playwrights Young Company, Foote Theatre <b>2021</b> |
| Acting and Scene Study Instructor                | Citadel Theatre, Young Musical Company <b>2020</b>                    |
| Musical Theatre Co-instructor ( <i>writing</i> ) | Citadel Theatre, Foote Theatre School <b>2020</b>                     |
| Musical Theatre Co-instructor ( <i>writing</i> ) | Citadel Theatre, Foote Theatre School <b>2021</b>                     |
| Guest Playwriting Instructor                     | Azimuth Theatre, Playwright with Respect Pay Homage <b>2021</b>       |
| Playwriting Mentor                               | Remix The Ritual, Three Ladies Production <b>2019</b>                 |
| Private Vocal Instructor                         | Nappy Roots Productions <b>2009-2011</b>                              |
| Poetry Instructor & Facilitator                  | Writers Guild of Alberta, <b>2011</b>                                 |
| Private Vocal Instructor                         | Nappy Roots Productions <b>2009 - 2011</b>                            |
| Private Vocal Instructor                         | The Arts Connection <b>2008</b>                                       |
| Musical Theatre Instructor                       | One Dance Creative Arts Centre <b>2007</b>                            |

## STAGE PLAYS

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|---------------------------------|--|
| The System                      | Riser, <b>World Premier</b> , Common Ground Society <b>2024</b>          |
| The System                      | Script Salon, Excerpt Reading <b>2023</b> ( <i>upcoming</i> )            |
| 2 Metres ( <i>20 min</i> )      | Hip Hop In The Park, <b>Commission</b> <b>2020</b>                       |
| Sukiss To Death                 | PGC, Craftbites Online Reading with Clem Martini <b>2021</b>             |
| Sunkiss To Death (FL )          | Why Not Theatre, <b>Shortlisted</b> for Riser Toronto <b>2021</b>        |
| Sunkiss To Death                | Sweet Potato Productions, Online Reading Drama: Colleen M <b>2021</b>    |
| Sunkiss (short)                 | Twenty Percent, <b>World Premier</b> , Dir: Katrina Richards <b>2017</b> |
| Sweet An Nice (FL)              | Script Salon, Reading Dir: Heather Inglis <b>2017</b>                    |
| Sweet An Nice                   | DapoPo Theatre Festival, Reading Dir: Althea C. <b>2017</b>              |
| The System                      | Alberta Playwrights Network, Reading Men: Cheryl Foggo <b>2018</b>       |
| The System                      | WWPT, Black Arts Matter, Staged Reading, Dir: Amy DeFelice <b>2018</b>   |
| Sunkiss                         | WWPT, Black Arts Matter, Staged Reading, Dir: Amy DeFelice <b>2017</b>   |
| The System                      | Sarasvati Productions, Monologues, Fem Festival Dir: Hope M. <b>2017</b> |
| Sweet An Nice                   | Sarasvati Productions, Monologues, Inter Womens Dir: Hope M <b>2018</b>  |
| Running Through The Devils Club | Coauthor, Published by River City Books <b>ISBN: 1895836859</b>          |

## CO-PRODUCING

On The Verge (soul music EP)

## PRODUCING EXPERIENCE (*Live Music*)

Mercury Room

Lolita's Lounge

Chai Island Tea

Accent Lounge

**Heartsoul Tour Venues:**

India Arie Tribute Show

Edmonton Expo Centre

Ironwood Stage and Grill

The Velvet Olive

Beatniq Jazz & Social Club

Carrot Cafe

Sasquatch Music Festival

Yardbird Suite

On The Verge Soul Music EP

Fairmont Macdonald Hotel

Jeffreys Cafe & Wine Bar

Four Rooms

**Western Canada Tour Venues:**

**OTHER PRODUCING, CURATOR & MODERATOR**

Intersections of Colonialism and Gatekeeping Creatives Empowered (Bipoc Event) **2022**

My Difficult Relationship With Alberta Creatives Empowered (Bipoc Event) **2021**

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Sweet Potato Productions

Grant Writing

Professional Arts Coalition Edmonton

Nappy Roots Productions

*Opened for Rae Spoon* **2017**

Althea Cunningham Duo **2015**

Various Performers **2014**

*Opened for Nuela Charles* **2013**

Duncan Garage Showroom, The Art We Are Cafe, Ye Olde Jar Bar,

Vodoos Lounge **2011- 2012**

Althea Cunningham Duo **2014**

Althea Cunningham Band **2013**

Althea Cunningham Duo **2013**

Solo Event **2012**

Althea Cunningham Quartet **2011**

Althea Cunningham Duo **2011, 2012**

Althea Cunningham Band **2010**

Althea Cunningham Trio **2010**

Coproducer, Songwriter, Vocal Musician, Percussion **2010**

Althea Cunningham Band | Private Event **2011**

Althea Cunningham Quartet **2005, 200, 2013, 2007, 2013, 2016**

Althea Cunningham Trio **2005, 2010**

The Wise Hall, Montmartre Cafe, The Wired Monk, House Concert

The Haven Social Club, The Rowing Club **2008-2010**

Founder, Artistic Director, Creative Writer **2005- Present**

EAC, AFA, and CC **2016 –2023**

Board Member **2017- 2018**

Founder, Artistic Director, Bandleader **2005- 2021**

Teen Cabaret, Songwriters Showcase **2022**

**DRAMATURGY EXPERIENCE**

Nextfest Emerging Arts Festival (*Music*)

Olivia Street, Grant MacEwan University **2023**

**OTHER EDUCATION**

Playwright Resiliency Initiative

PGC, Mentee, Omari Newton **2023**

Killer No Filler Dialogue Workshop

Alberta Playwrights Network, Vern Thiessen **2022**

Writing for The Screen

Lunchbox Theatre, Cheryl Foggo **2022**

Self- Taping for Black Women Workshop

Lunchbox Theatre, Janelle Cooper **2022**

Dramaturgy Lab Participant  
Killer No Filler Dialogue Workshop  
RBC Emerging Writer Program

Citadel Theatre, Meiko Ouchi **2021**  
WWPT, Vern Thiessen **2020**  
Alberta Playwrights Network, Cheryl Foggo **2016-2017**

Artistic Leadership for Ethnically Diverse  
RBC Emerging Writer Program  
Self-Directed Writing Residency  
Playwrights Garage  
Outstanding Music Theatre Bursary

Professional Development Conference, Banff Centre **2019**  
The System, APN, Men: Cheryl Foggo **2018**  
Banff Centre, Althea C. **2017**  
WWPT, Vern Thiessen **2001**  
Grant MacEwan University **1999**

### **AWARDS & ACCOLADES**

AFC  
Theatre Alberta  
Edmonton Arts Council  
Edmonton Arts Council  
The Sterling Awards  
Bowl Of Soul Radio  
Black Soul Rhythms Radio  
Time Trippin Radio  
CKUA Radio  
National Campus Radio  
Soultrack.com  
Alberta Foundation For The Arts  
Grant MacEwan University

Arts Reactivation Fund Award **2022**  
Theatre Alberta Scholarship **2020**  
Cultural Diversity Writing Grant **2019**  
Community Investment Writing Grant **2017**  
***Nominated*** Best Indie Play, In The Next Room, Trunk The **2017**  
Featured Artist Spot, On The Verge EP **2011**  
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Permanent Artist Spot, On The Verge **2011**  
Performance Grant **2002**  
Outstanding Musical Theatre Performer Bursary **1999**