

PAISLEY A. WANAMAKER

STAGE MANAGER

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Paisley A. Wanamaker is a recent graduate living in Butte, MT with experience managing stage productions, dance, opera, and live performances. She brings an effuse positivity to the teams that she advocates for. She has worked with all ages, with specific experience in ensuring the safety, education, and professionalism of children working in professional spaces. Her passion and work ethic are a theatrical boon.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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| Stage Manager | ANACONDA ENSEMBLE THEATRE | Current |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Play by a Montana-based playwright. Closes May 6th, 2024. | | |
| Stage Manager | ANACONDA ENSEMBLE THEATRE | December 2023- January 2024 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The third part of the theatre's "Community Reading Series," this performance is a reading of a new script written by a local. <i>Old-Fashioned Winter's Holiday</i> by David Coleman Sr. is described as, "A new holiday comedy, great for the whole family." | | |
| Deck Manager & A2 | ORPHAN GIRL CHILDREN'S THEATRE | November 2023 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Matilda the Musical</i>. Brought on as an emergency hire. As a part of this role, I was educating the teenagers working as the assistant stage managers and backstage crew. Twenty-four of the forty cast members were micced, with two mic changes. | | |
| Youth Performer Liaison | UTAH FESTIVAL OF OPERA & MUSICAL THEATRE | Summer 2023 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Oliver</i>, Verdi's <i>Aida</i>, <i>Lohengrin</i>, & <i>Our Town</i> in repertory. Worked with three different sets of stage managers to manage and represent up to nineteen children on each production. Total, I was working with twenty-six children (aged 3-17) and their parents to manage their schedules, to coordinate with various departments on the children's safety, and to ensure clear communication flowed between the parents and our management teams. | | |
| Stage Manager | UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA | Spring 2023 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Odyssey of the Stars</i>. An annual award show that recognizes accomplished alums. It brings together several departments within the university (Music, Opera, Theatre) and several local performance acts. I had the honor of working alongside award-winning designer John Shaffner to recognize director and actor Curt Olds.• <i>Dance in Concert & SPARK Arts</i>. The former is an annual dance recital choreographed and designed by students. The latter is an abridged version of some of the recital pieces with explanations of the choreographing process geared toward children. All of the city's local third graders were invited to attend en mass on a field trip to expand their cultural learning.• <i>The Music Graduates Concert</i>. A one-day concert highlighting original works by the Music college's graduating seniors.• <i>Thespian Society Showcase</i>. Similar show order to the <i>Odyssey of the Stars</i>, with less interdepartmental collaboration. A short showcase of the university's talents for the high schoolers visiting from all over the state. | | |
| Student Life Team Member | SOUTHEASTERN SUMMER THEATRE INSTITUTE | Summer 2022 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Responsibilities included directly supervising the physical and mental health of 10 students aged 13-18, several of whom were away from home for the first time.• Daily drove a 15-passenger van to commute the students to and from rehearsal on time through thick traffic.• Designed the method in which roommates were assigned, to reduce food costs per apartment and to reduce interpersonal friction based on initial survey responses.• Daily assisted in cooking dinner for 70 people of a variety of diet needs. | | |

- Organized, shopped for, and executed multiple large- and small-scale events to entertain both the students and the staff.
- Assisted the Wigs & Makeup team in preshow prep and in quick changes.
- Responded to students experiencing high distress, either deescalating or navigating local health services.

Stage Manager/ASM FORT PECK SUMMER THEATRE Summer 2021

- SM. *Baskerville: A Sherlock Holmes Mystery* is a five-actor show featuring over 40 characters, a foley artist, and a constantly rolling and rotating set.
- ASM. *Dames at Sea* is a high energy musical featuring numerous sets (including one getting “bulldozed” and another having two high-pressure confetti cannons).
- In addition: Built and painted sets for *You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown!*, *The Spitfire Grill*, *Terms of Endearment*, *Dames at Sea*, & *Baskerville: A Sherlock Holmes Mystery*.

Props Designer FORT PECK SUMMER THEATRE Summer 2021

- *Around the World in 80 Days...Or 37 Minutes!* Was a children’s touring show written and produced for the first time that summer. Puppets were a large aspect of the story; in addition to props pulled, I built and painted 10 puppets in three styles for the tour.

INDUSTRY EXPERTISE

Microsoft Suite	Google Drive	Strategic Planning	Scheduling
Basic Sewing/Mending (Machine & Hand)		Canva Design	Customer Service
Experience with K-12	Painting (broad & detail)	Prop Building	Driving 15-passenger vans
Light Hanging/Focusing	Wireless Mic Application	Sewing/Mending	Wig Application

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (OUTSIDE THEATRE)

Resident Assistant	UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA HOUSING	Autumn 2020 - Spring 2023
Housekeeper	HAMPTON by HILTON INN	Summer 2020
Line Cook & Dishwasher	BIG SKY BURGER’N’FRY	Autumn 2019 - 2020
Nanny & Tutor	PRIVATE EMPLOYER	Spring & Summer 2019

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Theatre, University of Montana - Missoula (May 2023)

Business Classes:

Principles of Microeconomics, Intro to Public Speaking, Principles of Financial Accounting, Business Ethics and Social Responsibility, Computer Aid Draft & Application

Educational Experience:

Call of the Wild – SM. Masked theatre in the round, heavy in stage combat.

Fabled – SM. Collection of short plays and dances geared towards children.

She Loves Me – ASM. Musical on a proscenium stage.

Mother Courage & Her Children – ASM. Filmed “in the round” with a full set.

Theory of Relativity – ASM. Filmed over Zoom.

Highschool Graduate of Butte High School – Butte, Montana (May 2019)

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Volunteer / Treat Street Butte / 2023: Treat Street Butte is an annual Halloween event hosted by the World Museum of Mining where volunteers pass out candy to thousands of local children on Halloween.

Facilitator / Art Walk Butte / 2023: Art Walk Butte occurs once a month to celebrate the various art forms in the community. I assisted in facilitating one of the dance workshops; responsibilities including readying

the space, setting out the welcome sign, and providing a welcoming environment for those who were otherwise hesitant.

Mentor / Flagship Missoula / 2022: Community-school partnership whose mission is to enhance the social, academic, cultural and physical achievement of Missoula's young people by creating opportunities, during non-school hours, that help them succeed in school and grow to become healthy and productive adults.

Fundraiser / Art Trek / 2019: Canvased several blocks the community businesses to raise \$800 for Art Trek, a program that travelled twenty high-school seniors to Seattle to expand their art and cultural understanding. This specific amount fully paid my expenses and financially assisted others who would not have been able to attend otherwise.

Artist Escort / Montana Folk Festival / 2017-18: Free 3-day international music festival in Butte, MT, that draws crowds over 175,000 and brings approximately \$10M into the community. As an Artist Escort, I ensured our international musicians were on time for their performances at the various stages.

Usher / Motherlode Theatre / 2016-19: Butte, Montana's large theatre that hosts both local and large travelling Broadway shows. I assisted patrons in finding the seats listed in their tickets based on a memorized map with a friendly, welcoming demeanor. In case of emergency, I was ready to direct patrons to the emergency exits.

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

- Recognition of "Leadership & Service in Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, & Justice" in 2022/2023 from the University of Montana
- Semifinalist for the National Merit Scholarship Program, 2018
- Member of the National Honor Society, beginning 2018
- Member of the Science National Honor Society, beginning 2016
- Member of the International Thespian Society, beginning 2015

REFERENCES

Please contact Paisley for a version of the resume with attached references.