

# Nyssa Justis

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## Professional Experience

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### **Skyline Children's Theater**

July 2025 - Current

*Teaching Artist*

Chicago, IL

- Developed and implemented curriculum incorporating acting, improvisation, and theatrical production for young students.
- Mentored and coached students in performance skills, fostering creative expression and building confidence.
- Utilized effective classroom management techniques to create a positive learning environment.
- Created innovative and engaging theatrical experiences, highlighting teamwork and creative curriculum development.

### **Camp Catamounts**

May 2025 - June 2025

*Teaching Artist*

Longmont, CO

- Collaborated to create innovative and engaging theatrical experiences, highlighting teamwork and creative curriculum development.
- Mentored and instructed young performers, emphasizing teaching and fostering artistic growth.
- Utilized effective classroom management techniques to create a positive learning environment.
- Cultivated a collaborative and inclusive atmosphere, demonstrating commitment to diversity and student well-being.

### **Debut Theatre**

January 2024 - December 2024

*Director*

Fort Collins, CO

- Developed and implemented curriculum incorporating acting, improvisation, and theatrical production for young students.
- Directed and produced theatrical productions, emphasizing ensemble work and showcasing individual student talents.
- Mentored and coached students in performance skills, fostering creative expression and building confidence.
- Established a positive and engaging learning environment conducive to effective theatrical training.

### **Kids Do It All**

June 2022 - August 2024

*Head Counselor & Music Director*

Fort Collins, CO

*Choreographer*

- Choreographed and music-directed theatrical productions, demonstrating experience in musical theatre and dramatic performance.
- Developed and implemented comprehensive rehearsal schedules, showcasing organizational and planning skills.
- Mentored and instructed young performers, emphasizing teaching and fostering artistic growth.
- Cultivated a collaborative and inclusive atmosphere, demonstrating commitment to diversity and student well-being.

## **OpenStage's Twelfth Night**

January 2024 - July 2024

*Assistant Director/In Rehearsal Stage Manager*

Fort Collins, CO

- Collaborated closely with the director to realize the artistic vision, providing strategic input and support throughout the rehearsal process.
- Efficiently managed production schedules and rehearsals, optimizing time and resources while maintaining a positive and focused atmosphere.
- Fostered a collaborative and supportive team environment, prioritizing safety, efficiency, and artistic excellence.
- Demonstrated exceptional problem-solving abilities to overcome challenges, maintain production momentum, and ensure the show's success.

## ***Machinal***

by **Sophie Treadwell**

Assistant Director

Opened April 2023

- Collaborated effectively with the director to realize the artistic vision, contributing strategic input and support.
- Managed rehearsal schedules and optimized resources while maintaining a positive and productive rehearsal environment.
- Successfully resolved production challenges, ensuring the show's momentum and success.
- Maintained and delivered accurate and detailed notes from the director.

## ***The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee***

Dance and Fight Captain

Opened November 2023

- Maintain and communicate detailed notes, ensuring consistent execution of choreography and fight sequences throughout rehearsals and performances.

## **Rocky Mountain Theater for Kids**

May 2018 - August 2019

*Assistant Stage Manager*

Boulder, CO

- Managed theatrical production logistics, demonstrating strong organizational and time-management skills.
- Developed leadership and communication skills through collaboration with children and creative teams.

## **Education**

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Bachelor of Arts in Theatre

*May 2024*

Concentration: Musical Theatre Performance

Colorado State University,

Fort Collins, Colorado

## **References**

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**Debbie Swann**, Manager & Professor  
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