

# Amira Emma Routledge

Production Designer & Art Maker

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## **PROFESSIONAL PROFILE**

I offer a variety of skills in theatrical design, display, decor, illustration and custom fabrication for arts, entertainment, marketing, prototyping and celebration. With a background in theatre I have built my skill set to include strong craftsmanship in costumes, props, puppets, masks, large and small-scale visuals, set dressing, and custom installations. Constantly learning and seeking out new creative challenges, I value reliability, good leadership/collaboration, and achieving the highest quality product possible.

## **SKILLS**

Painting: latex, acrylic, watercolor, guache, oil pastel, pen & pencil, for large-scale & small-scale, faux finishes, reproductions, murals, signage

Props: construction with basic carpentry, various glues, papier mache, wire, foam, fillers, clay, puppet-making, fibreglass & resin, plaster casting, mask-making

Wardrobe: sourcing, alterations, pattern adaptation, distressing, dying

More: Photoshop, model-making, vinyl application & removal

## **EDUCATION**

- BFA in Theatre, University of Victoria, 2003
- Certificate in Design for Arts & Entertainment, Ryerson/Chang School of Continuing Ed. 2011

## SELECTED DESIGN CREDITS

2010 - 2011

Frolick Theatre Production Designer, Mask & Puppet Maker: *Adventures in Slumberland*• Outdoor summer theatre venture on Toronto Islands

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Creative adaptation of 1904 comic strip "Little Nemo in Slumberland" into 3 25-minute plays for kids

Clay & Paper Theatre Production Designer: *The Pedaler's Wager* 2011

Artistic Director: David Anderson

• Giant puppets, tabletop puppets, & rod puppets

• Design for bicycle-based large-scale mobile outdoor show

Costume Designer: The Circus of Dark & Light 2010

Promise Events Party Decor, Design & Installation: *Garden Party* 2010 - 2013 Creative Directors: Irving Shaw & David MacLeod

Sudbury Theatre Centre Costume Designer: Let's Play Munsch, Half Life, Salt Water Moon

2008 - 2009 Artistic Director: George Pothitos

The Bridge Productions (Film) Costume Designer: *The Big 1-0* 2008 Producer/Director: Lindsey Connell

Festival Players of Prince Edward County Costume Designer: Picton Papers

2007 & 2008 Director: Marion DeVries

Humber College Theatre Costume Designer: The Scattered Dust of Antigone

2007 Directors: Brad Krumholtz & TannisKowalchuk

Solar Stage Children's Theatre Costume & Set Designer: The Lion Who Roared Meow

2007 Director: Zenon Skrzypczyk

Belltower Theatre/Groundwater Costume Designer: Goblin Market

2007 Director: Allison Cummings Producer: Gideon Arthurs

Preface Theatre/Summerworks Production Designer & Builder: Spaces and The Tree

2006 Director: Michael Bradley

Lovesick Productions Costume Designer: Hank Williams, The Show He Never Gave

2006 Director: David Ferry

#### SELECTED FABRICATION & INSTALLATION EXPERIENCE

Caravan Stage Company Mask & Puppet Maker, Scenic Artist: Hacked: The Treasure of the Empire

2014 & 2015 Director: Paul Kirby Designer: Adriana Kelder Zero Gravity Circus Custom Window Display Design and Installation

2012 & 2013 Creative Director: Eli Chornenki

Holt Renfrew Freelance Artist for Visual Department, Bloor St.

2007 - 2014 Visual Manager: Susanne Shaw

Young People's Theatre Props Assistant: Blue Planet
2013 Head of Props: Lokki Ma

SoDi Designs Custom Drapery Prototype: Top of the CN Tower Restaurant

2011 Owner: Dian Carlo

Cirque du Soleil/LuminaTO Decor Installation Assistant: Cirque at LuminaTO Festival 2009

2009 Designer: Keith Greco

Factory Theatre Head of Props & Scenic Painter: Scratch

2008 Designer: Kelly Wolf Director: ahdri mandiela zhina

Factory Theatre/Obsidian Scenic Painter: Consecrated Ground

2004 Designer: Glenn Davidson Director: Alison Sealy-Smith

Production Canada Head Scenic Painter 2005 Owner: Todd Skinner

George Brown College Scenic Painter: Peer Gynt and The Invalid

2004 Designer: Glenn Davidson

#### SELECTED WARDROBE EXPERIENCE

Lifeforce Entertainment (Film) Wardrobe Assistant for Webisodes 4 & 5: In The Rough

2011 Director: Michael Dawson

RBC/Liam Sharp Photographer (Photography) Wardrobe Assistant, RBC Royal Bank: HR Brochure

2011 Stylist: Sheree Tams

Reverson Productions (Film) Daily Wardrobe Assistant: Burning Daylight

2010 Director: Sanzhar Sultanov Producers: Timothy Hay, Emily Kulasa

Feed The Children (PSA Film) Wardrobe Stylist: Me to We

2009 Producer: Tim Hay

Sudbury Theatre Centre (Theatre) Head of Wardrobe: 2008/2009 Season: A Year With Frog &

2008 - 2009 Toad, Sweeney Todd, Sexy Laundry, Half Life

Costume Designer: Crystal MacDonell Artistic Director: George Pothitos

# **COMMISSIONS**

Costumes: Lacey Lucidity: Elven Ice, Tony Culverwell: Commander Hoverpots, Dave McKay: Sketchy the

Clown, Trefor, Chriz Miller: Stilt Elvis, Zoey Gould: Bellhop, Dallas Boyes: Jester

Illustrations: Ted Redelmeier: www. Carbon Neutral Commons.org. 2014 - 2016

Paintings: Penny Darragh: Custom home paintings, 2007 & 2014

Sculpture: MakeLab: Plushy prototype, Baque de Bamba: Trophy, 2015

### REFERENCES AVAILABLE