

Curriculum Vitae

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Education:

M.S.W. 2011 (Licensed 2012)

M.A. Social Science 2008

Binghamton University

Harford Partnership Program for Aging Education Fellow with Honors

B.S. Speech/Communication

SUNY College at Oneonta

Minor in Women's Studies

Areas of Specialty:

Social Work Practice with Individuals and Organizations; Social Work within Medical Systems; Geriatric Social Work; Workshop facilitation; Program Development; Diversity; Disability advocacy; Social Justice; Effective Communication; Deescalation; Therapeutic Arts; Women's Studies; Marketing; Community engagement; and staff morale

Academic Experience:

Adjunct Lecturer, BSW & MSW Programs

Binghamton University, School of Social Work

2019-Present

Binghamton, NY

Public Speaking Engagements, Workshops and Retreats:

2020 - *Resilience in Sacred Silliness*, Unitarian Universalist Church Ridiculation

<https://youtu.be/uRqVWjzr-Qc>

2019 - *Be Ridiculous on Purpose*, TEDx Provincetown, MA <https://youtu.be/-AJYwAPxjkU>
(Subtitles in English, Korean, Simplified Chinese, Brazillian-Portuguese, and French)

- *Communicating Across Agendas*, for NYS Department of Corrections civil employees.
(Created curriculum/facilitated workshop. Selected for 8 more workshops statewide.)

2018 - *Benefiting Abel*, Juvenile NeuroBlastoma Benefit, Binghamton, NY

- *Everyday Allstars*, CNA Recognition, Binghamton, NY

2017 - *PRN Hospice Retreat*, Two days and over 100 clinicians, staff, and volunteers

- *Workplace Joy and Resilience*, STIC, Binghamton, NY

2016 - *Emotional Safety in Times of Turmoil*, Pride and Joy Family Conference, Binghamton, NY

2014 - *Healthy Relationships All School Retreat*, New Roots Charter School, Ithaca, NY

- *Felt Your Healing*, Oncology Support Group, Lourdes Hospital, Binghamton, NY

- *Workplace Tapestry*, Mental Health Association of the Southern Tier

2013 - *Felt Survival*, Veterans Sanctuary, Ithaca, NY

- *Felt Yourself*, Identity LGBTQ Youth Center, Binghamton, NY

2012 - *Organizational Tapestry*, Mental Health Association of Southern Tier

- *Needle Felted Landscapes*, Tioga Arts Council

- *Felt Survival*, Advocacy Center for survivors of sexual violence

2011 - *Felted Self Expression*, Healing Hearts Retreat

2010 - *Project Renew*, Mental Health Association of Southern Tier Flood Victim Assistance

Selected Performance Art

- 2019 - *Catterwaul Caroling Mission* Endicott, NY (2018 & 2019)
 - *Parade and Street Ridiculation*, Provincetown, MA
 - *Green Faerie Garden*, Endicott, NY
 - *Libertine, The Freedom Faerie*, NY Faerie Festival (2017, 2018, 2019)
- 2018 - *PRN Jingle Parade*, Johnson City, NY (2017 & 2018)
 - *Somehow Left Out*, Rude and Bold Women Annual Show, Binghamton, NY
 - *Shakespeare Festival*, Endicott, NY
 - *Bunny Parade and Freedom Festival*, Johnson City, NY (2017 & 2018)
- 2017 - *Libertine* roaming artist Robercon, Binghamton, NY
 - *Shakespeare Festival*, Endicott, NY
 - *Pop Up Freedom Festival*, Johnson City, NY
 - *Tutu Crashed the Party*, Binghamton, NY
 - *Operation Achieve Ridiculation*, Binghamton, NY
 - *On the Street In the Bar it's all just Ridiculous*, Ithaca, NY
 - *Pop Up Freedom Festival*, Johnson City, NY
 - *Posh Meet Purposeful*, Rams Island, MA
- 2016 - *Emergency Emergency All the Ridiculous STAT*, Rochester, NY
 - *Purposefully Ridiculous Football Ridiculation*, Rutherford, NJ
 - *Meet Me Outside*, Ithaca, NY
 - *Purposefully Ridiculous Pop Up Parade*, Johnson City, NY
- 2015 - *Whip it up, JETS*, Rutherford, NJ
- 2013 - *Eight Mile Wide Pop Up Parade*, State street, Ithaca, NY (group)
- 2001 - *Evolution and Reinvention*, Collection of Monologues, NYU Theater, NY, NY
- 2000 - Featured Poet and MC, WEMANIFEST, CBGBs, NY, NY
 - Hosted/MC Weekly Show, Groove, West Village, NY
 - Featured Poet, Jamaican Hot Pot, Harlem, NY
- 1999 - Hosted/MC Soul Salsa Weekly Show, Harlem, NY
 - Featured poet, Brooklyn Blue Moon, Brooklyn, NY
- 1998 - Harlem Slam Team Member, Apollo Theater, Harlem, NY
 - Featured poet, Slam winner, Nuyorican Poets Cafe, NY, NY
- 1997 - *Stand Up Poetry*, Boston Comedy Club, NY, NY
- 1995 - *The Color of Soul*, Oneonta, NY

Selected Visual Art Exhibitions

- 2019 - *Casa Ridiculo Open Studio*, Broome County Art Walk, Endicott, NY
- 2018 - *somehow left out* Rude and Bold Women Annual show, NY (visual/performance)
- 2014 - *the everyday art of touching sacred*, Finger Lakes SOM, NY (solo)
 - *sacred beneath my fingertips*, Merlins, NY (solo)
- 2013 - *en plaine felt*, Owego Arts Council, Owego, NY
 - *reach out and touch*, Greenstar Oasis, NY (solo)
 - *felt boobies at work*, Alternatives CFU Gallery, NY (solo)
- 2012 - *if all these things be felt*, Gallery 41, NY (year residence)
 - *13 Maids for 13 Moons*, 10 Piece Installation, Rude and Bold Women Annual show, NY
- 2011 - *One Woman's Turn with the Universe*, Rude and Bold Women Annual show, NY
- 2010 - *Heal the Ocean Water Goddess*, Rude and Bold Women Annual show, Binghamton, NY
 - *River Basin*, Made in New York: Vessels, Cooperstown Gallery, NY

Media Coverage

- 2019 - *Purely Provincetown: Purposefully Ridiculous*, (filmed in Provincetown, MA)
<https://www.facebook.com/provincetowntv/videos/412979366296293>
- *Why one local woman is Purposefully Ridiculous*, WICZ news, (filmed in Binghamton, NY)
<http://www.wicz.com/story/41252530/why-one-local-woman-is-purposefully-ridiculous>
- 2017 - *Encounter Program: Golden Days Adult Day Health Care*
Part 1: <https://youtu.be/DamDnBda2jY> Part 2: <https://youtu.be/CnLwDqtGJ88>
- 2013 - *for she so loved the world*, Feminist Wire,
<http://thefeministwire.com/2013/09/loved-the-world/>
- 2013 - *Felting Feelings*, Kendall, Lewis, Ithaca Premiere
<http://lewisgkendall.wordpress.com/2013/12/09/felting-feelings-local-artist-tells-stories-through-cloth/>
- 2012 - *Guest Artist*, Arpana Aneesha Studio, Spring 2012,
<http://www.arpanaaneeshastudio.com/GAAngelina%20Blasich.htm>
- 2012 - *Therapeutic Needle Felting*, WICZ news,
<http://www.wicz.com/news/video.asp?video=7-9-12felt.flv&zone=News>
- *Wade in the Water* by Keisha-Gaye Anderson, Cover art for book
- 2001 - Featured poem in *alifepoeminprogress* by Chuma Marshall
- 2000 - *The Truth Is*, featured poem in WEMANIFEST Women of Poetry CD

Industry Experience

Co-Founder/Chief Ridiculator

2015 ongoing
Endicott, NY

Purposefully Ridiculous

Featured in TEDx Provincetown 2019. Provide free and sponsored Pop-up Freedom Festivals and Parades, with over 3000 person organic participation since inception, across 6 states. Offer organizational retreat and public speaking work to support mental health and active self-care, enhance leadership capacity, and encourage innovation. Design and maintain multiple website and social media platforms to promote ongoing work, provide forums for inspiration, and generate continuous funding support. Established MoonPack Project, collecting and distributing women's hygiene supplies to homeless and under-resourced women.

Director/LMSW

2014-Present

Golden Days Adult Day Health Care

Johnson City, NY

Direct programming and supervise staff in medical day program. Raised census by 45% and created new staff lines, providing for better service provision and increased revenue. Engage staff in developing meaningful, accessible, integrated programming for adults living with developmental disability, physical disability, cognitive impairment, and mental health diagnoses. Conduct clinical assessments, develop treatment plans, and offer mental health support to members. Provide ongoing family support. Integrate multicultural programming and implement diversity training for staff. Provide quality supervision to nursing staff and MSW interns. Developed strategic marketing plan, forming referral and access relationships with new community partners. Fostered relationship with elected officials to inform on issues that impact our members and encourage beneficial policy development. Coordinate care with outside agencies, physicians, medical facilities, insurance companies, and Medicaid. Responsible for all NYS paperwork and correspondence, negotiating insurance and VA contracts, and staff supervision.

School Social Worker New Roots Charter School (9-12) Originated Social Work department at start-up charter school. Developed and implemented all procedures for assessment, record keeping, treatment, and suicide prevention. Served racially, economically, and culturally diverse student body. Provided hands on supervision to MSW students. Provided crisis intervention, home visits, and ongoing therapeutic support to students and families. Facilitated school wide "Healthy Relationships" retreat.	2011-2014 Ithaca, NY
Medical Social Worker Vestal Healthcare, LLC Provided counseling and case management for 70 patients at hemodialysis unit. Completed assessments and developed treatment plans. Counseled individuals and families negotiating quality of life issues, medical compliance, residual trauma, discontinuation of treatment, and end of life issues. Advocated for patient services, insurance coverage, and access to medications.	2011-2013 Vestal, NY
HPPAE Fellow Binghamton University Research Foundation Designed and implemented in-home mental health support program for rural, home-bound elders. Completed assessments, developed and implemented plans for short term, in-home treatment.	2010-2011 Binghamton, NY
Youth Counselor I NYS OCFS, Lansing Residential Facility Supervised staff of 25 in young women's, minimum security residential facility. Provided intensive case management and supervision for unit of 20 girls residing in juvenile placement. Engaged in acute crisis intervention, weekly group and individual counseling. Provided active supervision to core staff of 18. Represented OCFS as acting petitioner in court proceedings. Conducted behavioral and environmental home studies to indicate reintegration readiness.	2008-2009 Lansing, NY
Coordinator of Jail Ministry Services and Discharge Planning Broome County Council of Churches Developed and facilitated weekly life skill and personal development workshops for incarcerated women. Provided individualized crisis management care. Created plans for discharge and provided referrals to services upon release. Supervised volunteer staff.	2006-2008 Binghamton, NY
Director (College STEPS) Cypress Hills Local Development Corp Designed and initiated borough-wide college counseling program. Hired, trained, and supervised staff. Monitored expenses to ensure budget compliance. Planned, coordinated and supervised college tours. Created and maintained system for recording and evaluating program success. Solicited additional funding resources.	2000-2002 Brooklyn, NY
Service to the State/Community: <i>Chair Elect</i> , NYS Adult Day Health Care Council (ADHCC) Board of Directors <i>HCBS Settings Committee</i> , ADHCC Lobbying to State Senate and Assembly on behalf of Adult Day Health Care Broome County Reentry Task Force	2019-present 2017-present 2016 ongoing 2009