

**Employment** ( Does not include short-term/freelance employment )

<p><b>First Stage</b> - Milwaukee, WI Design Supervisor   2014-2019 Costume Crafts Artisan   2011-2016 Properties Artisan   2010-2011</p> <p><b>Santa Fe Opera</b> - Santa Fe, NM Costume Crafts Head   Summer 2019</p>	<p><b>Hope Summer Repertory Theatre</b> - Holland, MI Costume Crafts/Design   6 seasons, Summers 2003 - 2011</p> <p><b>Steppenwolf Theatre Company</b> - Chicago, IL Costume Crafts Assistant   Summer 2012</p>
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**Selected Work** ( \*Current project )

<u>Production</u>	<u>Role</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Year</u>
<i>The Legend of Rock Paper Scissors*</i>	Costume & Puppet Design	First Stage	2020, '21
<i>Hundreds of Beavers (Film)*</i>	Puppet Design, Const., & Perf.	Trapper LLC	Release TBD
<i>The Stinky Cheese Man...*</i>	Scenic & Puppet Des.   Puppet Const.	Cardinal Stage	TBD (Covid-19)
<i>Grandma Barnes Punch &amp; Judy*</i>	Production Design & Construction	Brandon Kirkham Des.	TBD
<i>Kohl's Wild Theatre*</i>	Puppet Design & Construction	Milwaukee County Zoo	2010-present
<i>The African Company Presents Richard III</i>	Scenic & Puppet Designer	Northern Kentucky U.	2019
<i>Tinker Bell</i>	Puppet Design	First Stage	2019
<i>Rhoda &amp; the Fossil Hunt</i>   T-Rex Puppet	Puppet Design & Construction	Lyric Opera of Chicago	2018
<i>Siegfried</i>	Puppet Consultation	Lyric Opera of Chicago	2018
<i>The Phantom Tollbooth</i>	Puppet Construction	Enchantment Thtr. Co.	2018
<i>Lovabye Dragon</i>	Scenic & Puppet Des.   Puppet Const.	First Stage	2017
<i>Spookley the Square Pumpkin</i>	Scenic, Costume, Puppet Designer	First Stage	2015, '17
<i>Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer</i>	Scenic, Costume, Puppet Designer	First Stage	2013, '14, '15, '17
<i>Where in the World is Frank Sparrow?</i>	Puppet Design & Construction	Illinois Wesleyan Univ.	2015
<i>James &amp; the Giant Peach</i>	Puppet Design & Construction	First Stage	2015
<i>The Borrowers</i>	Puppet Des. & Const.   Costume Des.	Hope Summer Rep	2011
<i>Live from Laramidia</i>   Utahceratops	Puppet Design & Construction	Utah Mus. of Nat. Hist.	2010
<i>Charlotte's Web</i>	Puppet Design & Construction	Hope Summer Rep	2009
<i>Scheherazade</i>	Puppet Design & Construction	Enchantment Thtr. Co.	2008
<i>Petite Rouge, the Cajun Red Riding Hood</i>	Puppet Design & Construction	Hope Summer Rep	2008
<i>The Velveteen Rabbit</i>	Puppet Design & Construction	Enchantment Thtr. Co.	2007
<i>Children of Eden</i>	Puppet Design, Const., & Teaching	Ohio University	2007
<i>The Shoemaker &amp; the Elves</i>	Production & Puppet Des. & Const.	Holland Area Arts Cncl.	2006

( See reverse for Education, Related Experience, Skills, & References )

### Education

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The Ohio University - MFA Theatre Design - 2008

University of Evansville - BS Theatre Design & Technology - 2005

University of Connecticut - Graduate Certificate in Puppet Arts - 2017

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### Honors | Affiliations | Related Experience

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Recipient of The Jim Henson Foundation's Family Grant for *Lovabye Dragon* - 2017

Member of UNIMA-USA, Puppeteers of America, PofA Great Lakes Region, Indiana Puppetry Guild, and former President of Wisconsin Puppetry Guild

**Master Classes** (Teaching) - Skylight Music Theatre, Santa Fe Opera, Orlando Rep, Anderson University, Northern Kentucky University, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, Northwestern University, Hope College, Illinois Wesleyan University, ACTF Region III

USITT's Foam Patterning & Construction Symposium - 2009 - Presenter/Instructor

Prague Quadrennial of Performance Design & Space - 2007 - USA Student Exhibitor & International Workshop Instructor ("Reaching the Heavens")

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### Related Skills

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Costume Design	Scenic Design	Teaching	Mechanics & Articulation
Costume Crafts	SketchUp & LayOut	Millinery	Woodworking
Project Management	Photoshop   GIMP	Paint & Dye	Foam Patterning & Const.
Specialty Props	Model Building	Thermoplastics	Leatherworking
Consulting	Stuffed Animals	Masks & Armor	Puppet History & Theory

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### References ( Contact information available upon request )

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**Matt Grundman**  
Production Manager (former),  
First Stage

**Michael Wright**  
Artistic Director (retired),  
Milwaukee Chamber Theatre

**Kim Buetzow**  
Workroom Supervisor,  
Santa Fe Opera

**Jeff Frank**  
Artistic Director,  
First Stage

**Aretta Baumgartner**  
Education Director,  
Center for Puppetry Arts |  
President, Puppeteers of America

**James Saba**  
Executive Director,  
San Diego Junior Theatre |  
Artistic Director,  
HSRT's Children's Perf. Troupe

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