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EDUCATION:

Portland State University, Portland, OR, USA

- Master of Arts in Music Education (2008)
- Graduate Teacher Education Program (2008)
- Bachelor of Arts in Music with a minor in Russian (2006)

CERTIFICATION:

AMI Montessori 6-12 Diploma from the Montessori Institute of Milwaukee (2010)

Oregon Initial Teaching License, K-5 Authorization, Music Endorsement (2008)

Kodály Method for Teaching Music to Children: Level II certification (2007)

Certificate to Teach English as a Foreign Language to Adults (CTEFLA) from Cambridge University through International House, London (1998)

Oregon Registry Community Trainer (2015)

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE:

Montessori 6 - 12 Guide, current

Ellipse Montessori Academy

- Planned and implemented Montessori lessons in all subjects in a bilingual Montessori 6 to 12 environment.
- Liaised with parents and community members
- Trained and co-taught with a Francophone AMI-trained teacher whose responsibility was primarily French language
- Set up and maintained a functional, beautiful Montessori environment in accordance with AMI standards
- Tracked children's progress and kept meticulous records
- Crafted and implemented a music literacy program

Montessori 6 - 12 Guide, 2017 - 2018

Montessori Here & Now, Brie-comte-Robert, France

- Planned and implemented Montessori lessons in all subjects in a bilingual Montessori 6 to 12 environment.
- Liaised with parents and community members
- Trained and co-taught with a Francophone public-school-trained teacher whose responsibility was primarily French language
- Set up and maintained a functional, beautiful Montessori environment in accordance with AMI standards
- · Tracked children's progress and kept meticulous records

Self-employed, 2015-present

Author, Trainer, Portland, OR, USA

- Wrote and sought publication of a book on how to teach music for Montessori Guides who have little to no musical background
- Devised and led music workshops in the U.S. sponsored by the Oregon Montessori Association and attended by Guides at all levels
- Conducted workshops in France, Germany, and Canada, where I taught Guides at all levels how to teach music in a Montessori context
- · Designed, built, and maintained a website and blog

Lower Elementary Guide, 2012 - 2015

Sunstone Montessori School, Portland, OR, USA

- Set up, maintained, and managed according to AMI standards a Prepared Environment for children aged 6 to 10
- Delivered and designed Montessori lessons in keeping with AMI standards as well as facilitated follow-up work and assisted with Goings Out
- Observed, mentored, supervised and guided classroom assistant, as well as practice teachers from the MNW training institute
- Met parents, staff, and community members in furthering Montessori pedagogy to the benefit of the children's development
- Designed and implemented a music literacy curriculum aligned with the Kodály method of teaching music to children
- Attended refresher courses and professional development events
- Led an International audience of 3,500 members of the Montessori community in song along with a choir of 8 children at the Montessori International Congress in Portland, OR

Montessori Elementary Guide, 2010 - 2012

The Rhein-Main International Montessori School, Friedrichsdorf, Germany

- Set up, maintained, and managed according to AMI standards a bilingual (English, German), Prepared Environment for children aged 6 to 10
- Planned, crafted, and delivered Montessori lessons in line with AMI standards
- Gave Music lessons incorporating components of both the Orff and Kodály methods
- Directed and conducted close to 200 children comprising the Elementary and Casa in a whole-school holiday musical production
- Liaised with parents, staff, and community members in furthering Montessori pedagogy to the benefit of the children's development

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Montessori Music Trainer: Planned and implemented a Montessori music training program for French-speaking Montessori elementary trainees, incorporating elements of Kodály and Orff music pedagogy at the Centre de Formation Montessori Francophone in Archamps, France under the supervision of Benoit Dubuc (2017)

Art Instructor: Taught children's art classes at Oregon College of Art & Craft (2009, 2010)

Volunteer English Teacher: Planned and taught English classes for Russian immigrants (1997)

AmeriCorps Volunteer: Mentored and tutored African-American high school students (1998)

English Teacher: Planned instruction and taught English classes to adults from around the world at International House, London (1998)

Substitute Teacher: Temporarily managed classes of children from the Infant/toddler to the Elementary levels at Child's View Montessori School (2015, 2016)

Substitute Teacher: Temporarily managed a Montessori class of children from ages 6 to 12 at École Le Verger d'Elisa in Crécy-la-Chapelle, France. (April, 2017)

Languages: native English, advanced Russian, beginning French, beginning German.

Computer skills: Word, Excel, Power Point, Publisher, Adobe Creative Suite, Finale, HTML, Macintosh, PC **Additional skills:** Play guitar, piano, read and write music, illustration, drawing, web design, painting, theater arts