I am a Director, Actor and Writer with experience as a performer across artoforms including musical theatre, cabaret and drag, a dramaturge, producer and teacher of acting & directing. With a focus on new Australia plays, bringing new international work to the Australian context, and the development of an Australian style of multi-artform contemporary performance, my practice is care-based & trauma-informed embracing principals of diversity, equity, access and inclusion. Working from theatre and reaching across artforms, much of my work explores ways we are snared in or liberated from systems, and how intimate, gendered and sexual relationships can be transformed.

I have worked freelance for Opera Australia, STC, STCSA, Holden Street Theatres, The Old 505, Lambert House Enterprises, ActNow, and Paul Lucas Produ. (NYC). I am currently co artistic director of contemporary performance company House of Sand, LBTQIA+ co-chair of the MEAA Equity Diversity Committee.

## POSITIONS

Co-Artistic Director and Executive Director, House of Sand Co-Chair (LGBTQIA+ Identified), MEAA Equity Diversity Committee Pride Amplified Program Manager, Sydney WorldPride Programs Producer, Sydney Fringe Festival Regular Guest Teaching Director in Acting, Adelaide College of Arts Judge, Adelaide Fringe Festival Fringe Awards Occasional Guest Lecturer in Directing, Writing (MFA) Design (BFA), NIDA Lead Programmer, Holden Street Theatres Feast Festival Season Assessor, Patrick White Award, Sydney Theatre Company Artistic Director and Company Producer, Early Worx in Theatre and Art Committee Member, Higher Ground Inc. Steering Committee Jan 2015 - Present Jan 23 - present Jun - Oct 2022 Jan 2019 - Dec 2021 2012 - 19 Mar 2010, 11, 13, 19, 20, 21 2016 - 2019 Nov 2017 - Nov 2018 2016 & 2018 Oct 2010 - Nov 2013 Jan 10 - Mar 13

## DIRECTORIAL CREDITS (theatre & contemporary performance):

YEAR	PRODUCTION	AUTHOR	COMPANY	
2022	That Was Friday	Charley & Eliza Sanders	House of Sand	
		with Jack Sullivan and Amrit To	hari	
2020	Talk of Angels (development)	Terence Crawford	STCSA State Resident	
2019	The Split	Sarah Hamilton	House of Sand/Old 505/Rumpus	
2019	all hOurs	Charley & Eliza Sanders	Sydney Fringe/ House of Sand	
2019	Titus Andronicus	William Shakespeare	AC Arts	
2018	Welcome The Bright World	Stephen Sewell	STCSA & House of Sand	
2018	Revolt. She Said. Revolt Again.	Alice Birch	The Old 505, Holden St. & HoS	
2016-17	Pedal & Castles	Eliza Sanders	House of Sand/Old505/BATS	
2016	Flood	Chris Issacs	Lambert House Enterprises	
2016	Mother Courage	Bertolt Brecht (Trans: Kushner)	lt Brecht (Trans: Kushner) AC Arts	
2015	Infected	Stephen Sewell	NIDA	
2015	After After Miss Julie, a comedy	Sanders after Maber & Strindb	erg NIDA	
2015	Tender	Nikki Bloom	NIDA	
2014	O Go My Man	Stella Feehily	AC Arts	
2014	Zero Feet Away	Devised	ActNow	
2013 & 14	Trans Scripts (developments)	Paul Lucas	Paul Lucas Prod. (NYC)	
2015	Sham Pain (cont. perf.)	Devised	House of Sand & QL2 Youth Dance	



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2013 2012 2012 2012 2012 2011	Like A Fishbone Slavs! The Laramie Project: Ten Years Lat Love Child Seven Jewish Children	Anthony Weigh Tony Kushner Moises Kaufmann Joanna Murray-Smith Caryl Churchill	Early Worx & Higher Ground Inc. AC Arts Early Worx & Higher Ground Inc. Early Worx & Higher Ground Inc. Early Worx & Higher Ground Inc.	
DIRECTORIAL CREDITS (dance/other):				
2018	Fear of Eggs (dance)	Charley & Eliza Sanders	House of Sand	
2016	Knitting While Sleeping (dance)	Eliza Sanders	House of Sand	
2015	Pyramid (music video)	Twin Caverns	Twin Caverns	
2015	Hang With You (music video)	Mio	House of Sand/Mio	
2013	5 Years (cabaret)	Various, after Bowie	AC Arts	

## **PERFORMER CREDITS (theatre & musical theatre):**

YEAR	PRODUCTION	AUTHOR	ROLE	DIRECTOR	COMPANY
2022	Triple X	Glace Chase	Dexie (understudy)	Paige Rattray	STC
2011	Not Enough Oxygen	Caryl Churchill	Claude	Dee Easton	Early Worx/HGI
2011	Modern American Masters	LaBute, Mamet, DurangSam & Midge		Velalien	Early Worx/HGI
2010	Crate of Souls	Verity Laughton	Mrs TIANB	Sarah John	AC Arts
2010	Sweeney Todd	Stephen Sondheim	Tobias Ragg	Rachel Moorhead	AC Arts
2009	King Lear	William Shakespeare	Herald & Ensemble	Adam Cook	STCSA

### PERFORMER CREDITS (cabaret & drag)

2018	Priscilla Queen Of The [	Desert	FoH Roving Performer		Bespoke SA
2014-1	18Various		Roving Drag Performer		Bespoke SA
2012	Queer	Charley Sanders	Creator & Performer	Velalien	Early Worx/HGI
2011	A Modest Exhibit	Charley Sanders	Creator & Performer	M.D. Carol Young	Early Worx/HGI
2010	The Juliet Letters	Elvis Costello &	Singer/Actor	David Mealor	AC Arts
		The Brodsky Quartet		M.D. Carol Young	
2009	Leading Lad(ie)s	Devised	Singer/Actor	M.D. Carol Young	Cabaret Fringe
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2023	Julia	Joanna Murray-Smith	Assistant Director	Sarah Goodes	STC
2019	Preserving Jars/	Michelle St Yves	Mentor &	Michelle St Yves.	Rumpus/STCSA
	Clock For No Time		Dramaturge		
2017	Feet.Us	Dance/Devised	Dramaturge	Eliza Sanders.	House of Sand
2016	Cosi Fan Tutte	Mozart/DaPonte	2nd Assistant Director	Sir David McVicar	Opera Australia
2013	Maggie Stone	Caleb Lewis	Assistant Director	Geordie Brookma	n STCSA

#### **EDUCATION & TRAINING:**

2021	Audio Description For Live Performance and Visual Art Training, Access2Arts
October 2018	Force Majeure INCITE Intensive for Mid Career Artists, Force Majeure
2015	Master of Fine Arts (Directing), National Institute of Dramatic Art (NIDA)
June 2013	SITI Company Skidmore College Summer Intensive, SITI Company, NY USA
2008 - 2010	Advanced Diploma of Arts (Acting) - Adelaide College of the Arts (AC Arts), Adelaide

## AWARDS & ACCOLADES:

2022	Winner	Ruby Award South Australia - Best Collaboration Clock for No Time
2018	Nominee	ATG Curtain Call Award – Best Ensemble, Professional Welcome The Bright World
2018	Nominee	Adelaide Critics Circle Award – Group Award, Professional Theatre Welcome The Bright World
2018	Nominee	Adelaide Critics Circle Award – Innovation Award Welcome The Bright World
2018	Nominee	BroadwayWorld Sydney Award – Best Director of a Play REVOLT. SHE SAID. REVOLT AGAIN.
2018	Nominee	NZ Fringe Award – Best Directed Chaos directing award <i>Fear of Eggs</i>
2018	Winner	Adelaide Fringe Weekly Awards –Best Dance Pedal & Castles
2017	Nominee	NZ Fringe Award – Most Innovative Work <i>Feet.Us</i>
2016	Winner	NZ Fringe Award – Most Promising Emerging Company (House of Sand)
2016	Nominee	NZ Fringe Award – Best In Fringe <i>Castles</i>
2013	Winner	Helpmann Academy and Independent Arts Foundation Neil Curnow Award
2012	Winner	Advertiser & Critics Circle 'Best In Fringe' Adelaide Fringe Festival Love Child
2011	Winner	Adelaide Critics Circle Award - Emerging Artist 2011 body of work as Artistic Director, Early Worx

## **GENERAL REFEREES:**

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