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Education

Yale University, Yale School of Drama	May 2010
MFA, Technical Design and Production	
Thesis Title:	
“A Planning Primer & Case Studies in the Design and Construction of High School Performing Arts Centers”	
Advisor - William J. Reynolds, MFA	
Reviewed the process of constructing new performing arts facilities for high schools. Explored facilities at nine case study schools to determine what elements of the facilities work well and what do not	
Brigham Young University	April 1999
BA and Secondary Education Certification, Theatre and Media Arts	
Ricks College	December 1995
AA, General Studies, Performing and Fine Arts	

Professional Experience

Brigham Young University, Provo, UT	2012-Present
Assistant Professor Theatre Design and Technology	
Brigham Young University-Idaho, Rexburg, ID	2008-2012
Lighting Designer/ Programmer	
Harvey Marshall Berling Associates, Cincinnati, OH	2005-2008
Theater Consultant	
Show Motion Inc., South Norwalk, CT	2003
Carpenter	
Durango High School, Las Vegas, NV	1999-2002
Theatre Teacher/ Tech Director	
Lone Peak High School, Highland, UT	1998-1999
Theatre Teacher Intern/ Tech Director	

Creative Works and Research - Lighting Designs

- Theatre Engine: FlashMob	Brigham Young University	2015
- Theatre Engine: FlashMob	St. Olaf College	2015
- The Count of Monte Cristo	BYU Theatre and Media Arts	2015
- Theatre Engine: FlashMob	Michigan State University	2014
- Pride and Prejudice	BYU Theatre and Media Arts	2014
- The Servant of Two Masters	BYU Theatre and Media Arts	2013
- The Cleverest Thief and Selections from Gone Missing	BYU Theatre and Media Arts	2012
- An Evening With Bill Cosby	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2012
- Diamond Rio Concert	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2012
- Bring Forth My Zion	BYU-I Center Stage/ Department of Music	2012
- BYU-Idaho Extravadance	BYU-I Department of Theatre and Dance	2012
- Winter Jazz Fest Featuring Ingrid Jensen	BYU-I Center Stage/ Department of Music	2012
- Weekly BYU-Idaho Devotional (Broadcast on BYUTV)	BYU-I University Communications	2012
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- BYU-Idaho Swingin' Christmas with Ed Calle	BYU-I Center Stage/ Department of Music	2011
- A BYU-Idaho Christmas with Brian Stokes Mitchell	BYU-I Center Stage/ Department of Music	2011
- 28th Annual Halloween Concert- Idaho Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Art	BYU-I Department of Music	2011
- Best of Guitars Unplugged (Fall)	BYU-Idaho Student Activities	2011
- David Osmond with special guest Ryan Hamilton	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2011
- Ryan Shupe & the Rubberband with special guest Truman	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2011
- Idaho International Dance & Music Festival Gala Performances	Rexburg Chamber of Commerce	2011
- Rejoice 2011 Education Week Concert	BYU-Idaho Community Connections	2011
- Patriots and Pioneers with George Dyer	BYU-I Center Stage/ Department of Music	2011
- Nik Day in Concert	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2011
- Paul Cardall in Concert	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2011
- 1964 - The Tribute	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2011
- Savior of the World: His Birth and Resurrection (Concert Version)	BYU-I Center Stage/ College of Performing Arts	2011
- BYU-Idaho Dance Alliance	BYU-I Department of Theatre and Dance	2011
- Pond Skimming	BYU-I Student Activities	2011
- 4Troops in Concert	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2011
- Jazz Festival with Eric Marienthal	BYU-I Music Department	2011
- Dedication of BYU-Idaho Center with President Eyring	BYU-I University Communications	2010

- BYU-Idaho Center Auditorium Rep Plot Designer	BYU-I Facilities Planning and Construction	2010
- BYU-Idaho Extravadance	BYU-I Department of Theatre and Dance	2010
- Collin Raye with Teton Chamber Orchestra	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2010
- 27th Annual Halloween Orchestra Concert - Wranglers and Whippersnappers	BYU-I Department of Music	2010
- Natalie MacMaster & Donnell Leahy- Masters of the Fiddle	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2010
- Eric Bibb in Concert	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2010
- Saxophobia with Rob Verdi	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2010
- Abba-Mania	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2010
- Jon Schmidt in Concert	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2010
- Ryan Shupe and the RubberBand	BYU-I Student Activities	2010
- Idaho International Dance & Music Festival	Rexburg Chamber of Commerce	2010
- Marvin Goldstein Education Week Concert	BYU-Idaho Community Connections	2010
- BYU-Idaho Dance Alliance	BYU-I Department of Theatre and Dance	2010
- David Archuleta with special guest David Osmond	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2010
- Best of Guitars Unplugged (Spring)	BYU-I Student Activities	2010
- The Nashville Tribute Band: The Work- A Tribute to the Missionaries with Due West Band	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2010
- Comedy Improve Night with The Society	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2010
- BYU-Idaho Extravadance	BYU-I Department of Theatre and Dance	2010
- Best of Guitars Unplugged (Winter)	BYU-I Student Activities	2010
- Pond Skimming	BYU-I Student Activities	2010
- BYU-Idaho Sound Alliance with Kristin Korb	BYU-I Department of Music	2010
- Brooke White in Concert	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2010
- God's Everlasting Love- Sacred Music Oratorio	BYU-I Department of Music	2009
- 26th Annual Halloween Orchestra Concert	BYU-I Department of Music	2009
- Best of Guitars Unplugged (Fall)	BYU-I Student Activities	2009
- The Great Kaplan	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2009
- Jason Hewlett: Music Impressionist	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2009
- The Nashville Tribute Band with Due West Band	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2009
- Idaho International Dance & Music Festival	Rexburg Chamber of Commerce	2009
- The Nashville Tribute Band with Due West Band	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2009
- An Evening with Daniel Beck and Missy Babcock	BYU-Idaho Community Connections	2009
- Brian Bromberg and BYU-IdahoJazz Lab Band	BYU-I Department of Music	2009
- Best of Guitars Unplugged (Spring)	BYU-I Student Activities	2009
- William Joseph in Concert	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2009
- Rockapella in Concert	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2009

- Best of Guitars Unplugged (Winter)	BYU-I Student Activities	2009
- Danu in Concert	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2009
- Wycliffe Gordon Jazz Workshop Series Concert	BYU-I Department of Music	2009
- BYU-Idaho Dance Alliance	BYU-I Department of Theatre and Dance	2009
- Bar J Wranglers in Concert	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2009
- Pond Skimming	BYU-I Student Activities	2009
- Barrage in Concert	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2009
- Comedy Improve Night with The Society	BYU-I Center Stage Performance Series	2009
- BYU-Idaho Christmas in the Snow	BYU-I Department of Music	2008
- BYU-Idaho Extravadance	BYU-I Department of Theatre and Dance	2008
- Uncle Vanya (Assistant LD)	Yale School of Drama	2004
- Chess	Durango High School	2001
- The Crucible	Durango High School	2000
- Noises Off	Durango High School	2000
- Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat	Durango High School	2000
- Joyful Noise (World Premiere)	BYU Theatre Department	1998
(Awarded BYU Theatre Department Outstanding Lighting Design 1997-1998 Season)		

Creative Works and Research - Set Designs

- Chess	Durango High School	2001
- The Crucible	Durango High School	2000
- Noises Off	Durango High School	2000
- Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat	Durango High School	2000
- Taming of the Shrew	Durango High School	1999

Selected Additional Theatre Experience

Technical Direction

-The Clean House (World Premiere)	Yale Repertory Theatre	2004
-The Lonesome West	Yale School of Drama	2004
(Assistant Technical Director)		
-Rough Magic (World Premiere)	Yale School of Drama	2003
-The Psychic Life of Savages	Yale Repertory Theatre	2003
(Assistant Technical Director)		

Carpenter

-Little Shop of Horrors	Broadway	2003
-Hairspray	1st National Tour	2003

-Thoroughly Modern Millie	1st National Tour	2003
-The Black Dahlia	Yale Repertory Theatre	2003

Lighting Electrician

Worked on over 100 events and projects

Stage Management

-The Foreigner (Received ACTF Meritorious Achievement Award)	Brigham Young University	1998
-The Christmas Box (Assistant)	Brigham Young University	1997

Directing

-Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella	by Richard Rodgers & Oscar Hammerstein	Durango High School	2002
-May the Farce Be With You (One-Act Festival)	by David Rogers	Durango High School	2001
-God: A Comedy in One Act (One-Act Festival)	by Woody Allen	Durango High School	2001
-The Crucible	by Arthur Miller	Durango High School	2000
-This is a Test (One-Act Festival)	by Stephen Gregg	Durango High School	2000
-Noises Off	by Michael Frayn	Durango High School	2000
-Guys and Dolls	by Frank Loesser, Jo Swerling & Abe Burrows	Lone Peak High School	1998

Publications

1. Kraczek, Michael. A Light-Beam Box. *Technical Design Solutions for Theatre, Volume:3* - 2013
2. Kraczek, Michael. A Light-Beam Box. *Technical Brief Volume 23.1* - Number 1372 - October 2004

University Teaching

Brigham Young University, Provo, UT	2012-Present
Assistant Professor	
TMA 259 Principles of Design	TMA 315 Design Seminar
TMA 364 Lighting Design	TMA 369 Design Practicum
TMA 479 Advanced Design	TMA 489 Design & Tech Projects 2

Professional Presentations

- Kraczek, Michael S. (2015) Media Servers Part 2. Cincinnati: USITT 55th Annual Conference & Stage Expo
- Kraczek, Michael S. (2015) Projection Design Basics. Cincinnati: USITT 55th Annual Conference & Stage Expo

Kraczek, Michael S. (2014) Photometrics What? What You Need to Know to Select the Right Lighting Fixture. Ogden: Utah Theatre Association

Kraczek, Michael S. (2014) Ooh! Look at that Color: Exploring Color in Light. Ogden: Utah Theatre Association

Kraczek, Michael S. (2013) Lighting in Real Life: Your Inspiration. Salt Lake City: Utah Theatre Association

Kraczek, Michael S. (2013) A Basic Approach to Lighting Design: What You Need to Know to Light Your Next Show. Salt Lake City: Utah Theatre Association

Kraczek, Michael S. (2013) Let There Be Light: A Discussion on Stage Lighting for Teachers. Salt Lake City: Utah Theatre Association

High School Teaching

Durango High School, Las Vegas, NV 1999-2002

Theater Teacher & Technical Director

Theater 1, 2, 3, Advanced Performance Tech Theater 1, 2, 3

Lone Peak High School, Highland, UT 1998-1999

Theater Teacher & Technical Director

Theater 1, 2, 3, 4 Tech Theater

Film Studies 1, 2

Professional Associations

- United States Institute for Theatre Technology (USITT) 1999-2005, 2012-Present
- Utah Theatre Association-BYU University Representative 2013-Present
- Education Theatre Association 1999-2002
- National Education Association 1999-2002
- Clark County Association of Theater Teachers 2001-2002
- Nevada State Thespian Association Board Member 2000-2002
- Las Vegas, NV Chapter of Cappies 2001-2002

University Service

College of Fine Arts and Communications Student Funding Committee 2014-Present

Student Theatre Association - Faculty Advisor 2013-2014

Theatre and Media Arts Design Technology Curriculum Committee - Member 2012-Present

Theatre and Media Arts Fulton RFP Awards Committee - Member 2012-2014

Theater Arts Studies Faculty Committee - Member 2012-Present

Theatre Arts Studies Design Area Committee - Member 2012-Present

Grants

Kraczek, Michael S. (2014) Laycock Grant. \$10,000 grant for interdisciplinary collaboration - Theatre Engine at BYU

Kraczek, Michael S. (2013) CFAC Visiting Scholar Grant. \$2200 grant for “Alison Dobbins BYU Visit”

Kraczek, Michael S. (2013) BYU Faculty Center Course Development Project Grant. \$300 grant for “TMA 215/364 Lighting Class”