

Amy Wright

Education

Master of Fine Arts in Dance (Candidate)

Sam Houston State University

Courses Taken: Advanced Ballet and Modern Technique, Graduate Choreography, Production Seminar, Repertory

Studied Under: Dana Nicolay, Andy Noble, Dionne Noble, Jonathan Charles Smith

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance, May 2007

Sam Houston State University

Summa cum Laude, Honors Program

Courses Taken: Advanced Ballet Technique, Intermediate and Advanced Modern Technique, Tap, Repertory, Improvisation, Dance Production, Beginning and Intermediate Lighting Design, Dance History, Costuming, World Dance Forms, Choreography I, II, and III, Anatomy and Physiology, Dance Pedagogy, Laban Movement Analysis, Honors Seminar in Fine Arts

Studied Under: Dana Nicolay, Jennifer Pontius, Jonathan Charles Smith, Sarah Imhoff-Jones, Tiffany Nirider, Melissa Wynn, Kista Tucker, Dr. Cindy Gratz, Jean Grotewohl Denny, Golden Wright, Don Childs, Kristina Hanssen, Fayla Curry

Completed Undergraduate Honors Thesis in Dance, Spring 2007

Thesis Title: *Reaching Beyond Bounds: the Vital Role of Art in Human Culture*

Memberships

Alpha Chi Honor Society, Golden Key International Honor Society, Chi Tau Epsilon Dance Honor Society, Dance Masters of America Member Teacher

Awards and Honors

College of Arts and Sciences Graduate Scholarship: 2010-11

Dance Performance Scholarship: 2004-07

University Undergraduate Scholarship: 2004-07

Elliott T. Bowers Honors Program Ambassador: 2006-07

SHSU Dean's and President's Lists: 2004-07

Lighting Design Award: 2006-07

Stage Management Award: 2005& 2007

Undergraduate Choreography Award Nominee: 2007

Teaching Experience

2010 Sam Houston State University
Jazz I, Tap II

2009-10 Diana's Dancenter, Lubbock, TX
Intermediate and Advanced Tap, Ballet, Jazz, and Modern

Lubbock High School, Lubbock, TX
Guest Teacher for Jazz, Modern, and Musical Theatre

Cooper High School, Lubbock, TX
Guest Teacher/Choreographer for Show Choir

2006 Lamar University
Guest Teacher for Tap and Dance Appreciation
Assistant Crew Director for Faculty Choreography Concert

Performance Experience

2010 *Celtic Dreams*
Choreographer: Diana Baker
Diana's Dancenter, Lubbock, TX

2008-09 *Motor City, I've Got the Music, Boogie Shoes, and What a Swell Party*
Emerald Princess
Princess Cruises

2008 *The Shoji Tabuchi Show*
Soloist
Choreographer: Sam Viverito
Shoji Entertainments, Inc., Branson, MO

2007 *Animal Heaven*
Choreographer: Megan Lasher
SHSU Dance Company in Concert
Premier: *Dances @ 8*, 2006
Also Performed at ACDFA South Central Region, 2007

Footnotes
Choreographer: Jean Grotewohl Denny
SHSU Dance Company in Concert

Recollections- Graduate Thesis Concert
Choreographer: April Hoyt
Sam Houston State University

Manhattan, 1935, Act I: Night, Act II: Day
Choreographer: Amy Wright
Kineseos Taxis: An Undergraduate Honors Thesis Concert
Premier: *The Final Stretch*, 2006

She Looked Over Her Shoulder
Choreographer: Amy Wright
Kineseos Taxis: An Undergraduate Honors Thesis Concert

In the Upper Room
Choreographer: Amy Wright
Kineseos Taxis: An Undergraduate Honors Thesis Concert

Cognitive Dissonance
Choreographer: Amy Wright
Kineseos Taxis: An Undergraduate Honors Thesis Concert

Finale: Just Because
Choreographer: Amy Wright
Kineseos Taxis: An Undergraduate Honors Thesis Concert

Road Home
Choreographer: Kista Tucker
Kista Tucker Dance Company in Concert at Sam Houston State University
Vision of Sound Series in Brockport, Syracuse, and Buffalo, New York
Premier: *East Texas Collaborative*, 2006

Snow
Choreographer: Kista Tucker
Kista Tucker Dance Company in Concert at Sam Houston State University
Premier: *East Texas Collaborative*, 2006

Two Tears in the Dirt
Choreographer: Kista Tucker
Kista Tucker Dance Company in Concert at Sam Houston State University
Premier: *Modern Dance Collective* at Texas A&M University, 2006

2006 *It Takes a Village*
Choreographer: Renee Kuhn
The Final Stretch: A Senior Showcase

Altar
Choreographer: Jessica Brewer
The Final Stretch: A Senior Showcase

Qui Manqué de Vie
Choreographer: Heather Samuelson
Dances @ 8

Orthographic Projection
Choreographer: Golden Wright
Convergence

Luma
Choreographer: Golden Wright
Convergence

2005 *Strolling the Square*
Choreographer: Stephanie Beall
Branching Out: A Senior Studio Concert

Ill-Fated
Choreographer: Elon Herrington
Branching Out: A Senior Studio Concert

Bean Soup
Choreographer: Dr. Cindy Gratz

Dance Spectrum

Untitled

Choreographer: Courtney Mulcahy
Dances @ 8

Forget About the Boy

Choreographer: Amy Wright
Dances @ 8

Space of Your Heart

Choreographer: April Hoyt
Entropy

Sevens

Choreographer: April Hoyt
Entropy

Too Darn Hot

Choreographer: Amy Wright
Dances @ 8

2004

Left Without Comfort

Choreographer: Jessica Arrizola
Individualistic Inspirations

Personal

Choreographer: Jessalyn Pratka
Dances @ 8

It's Time to Start

Choreographer: Jill Bitner
Dances @ 8

Choreography

2010

Rock Your Soul- Modern, 1 Dancer, 3 Minutes
Music: Elisa

Tango- Contemporary Jazz, 1 Dancer, 3 Minutes
Music: *El Tango de los Assassinos*, John Powell

Long As I'm Here With You- Jazz, 2 Dancers, 3 Minutes
Music: Michael Rafter

This Will Be- Tap, 1 Dancer, 3 Minutes
Music: Natalie Cole

We're In the Money- Tap, 1 Dancer, 3 Minutes
Music: from *42nd Street*

Le Jazz Hot- Jazz, 9 Dancers, 3Minutes
Music: Julie Andrews

Nothing Else Matters- Modern, 9 Dancers, 4 Minutes
Music: Apocalyptica

People Get Ready- Modern, 7 Dancers, 3 Minutes
Music: Eva Cassidy

Calloway Boogie- Tap, 7 Dancers, 3 Minutes
Music: Big Bad Voodoo Daddy

2009 *A Little Less Conversation*- Tap, 2 Dancers, 3 Minutes
Music: Tonic Sol Fa

I Want to Go to Hollywood- Jazz, 1 Dancer, 3 Minutes
Music Sutton Foster

Forget About the Boy- Tap, 1 Dancer, 3 Minutes
Music: Michael Rafter

Many the Miles- Contemporary Jazz, 1 Dancer, 3 Minutes
Music: Sara Bareilles

Thankful- Ballet, 7 Dancers, 5 Minutes
Music: Josh Groban

2008 *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*- Modern, 9 Dancers, 5 Minutes
Music: Josh Groban

2007 *Too Darn Hot*- Tap, 2 Dancers, 3 Minutes
Music: Ann Miller

Show Off- Tap, 1 Dancer, 3 Minutes
Music: Sutton Foster

She Looked Over Her Shoulder- Modern, 2 Dancers, 4 Minutes
Music: *Sonatina 1959 II: Rubato*, Aram Khachaturian

On Their Foremost Edge...- Modern, 9 Dancers, 9 Minutes
Music: *Orawa*, Wojciech Kilar

In The Upper Room- Modern, 6 Dancers, 7 Minutes
Music: Apocalyptica

Cognitive Dissonance- Modern, 3 Dancers, 5 Minutes
Music: *Carpathian Ridge* and *Mad World*, Michael Andrews

Finale: Just Because- Tap, 7 Dancers, 2 Minutes

Music: *Domino*, Doug Smith

2006 *Manhattan, 1935, Act I: Night, Act II, Day-* Modern, 7 Dancers, 7 Minutes
Music: *Ballet at the Village Vortex* and *Conquering New York*, Leonard Bernstein

Flight Does Not Cease- Modern, 4 Dancers, 6 Minutes
Music: *La Petite Fille de la Mer*, Vangelis

2005 *Forget About the Boy-* Tap, 5 Dancers, 3 Minutes
Music: Michael Rafter

Too Darn Hot- Jazz, 9 Dancers, 6 Minutes
Music: *Kiss Me Kate* New Broadway Cast

Technical Experience

Concert Direction

2007 *Kineseos Taxis: An Undergraduate Honors Thesis Concert*, Amy Wright

2006 *The Final Stretch: A Senior Showcase*

Lighting Design

2007 *SHSU Dance Company in Concert*
Blue is Gone, Dr. Cindy Gratz

Recollections: A Graduate Thesis Concert, April Hoyt

Kineseos Taxis: An Undergraduate Honors Thesis Concert, Amy Wright

Dances @ 8

2006 *The Final Stretch: A Senior Showcase*

Merging Destinies: An Undergraduate Honors Thesis Concert, Jessalyn Pratka

Collaboration: Lamar University Faculty Choreography Concert

East Texas Collaborative

Modern Dance Collective, Texas A&M University
Two Tears in the Dirt, Kista Tucker Dance Company

Dances @ 8

Qui Manqué de Vie, Heather Samuelson

Animal Heaven, Megan Lasher

Within: A Graduate Thesis Concert, Courtney Mulcahy

Kista Tucker Dance Company and Dangerous Lorraine's Dance Theatre in Concert

Strings Of...: An Undergraduate Honors Thesis Concert, Laurie Forsage

Dance Spectrum
Trio, Kista Tucker
Connect/ Disconnect, Melissa Wynn

Jesus Christ Superstar, Maureen McIntyre
Assistant LD. Lighting Designer: Don Childs

Convergence: A Graduate Thesis Concert
Winter Was Hard: Alice Howes

SHSU Minifest
Flight Does Not Cease, Amy Wright

2005 *Dance Spectrum*
Two Tears in the Dirt, Kista Tucker

Dances @ 8
Forget About the Boy, Amy Wright
Too Darn Hot, Amy Wright

Stage Management

2006 *Merging Destinies: An Undergraduate Honors Thesis Concert*, Jessalyn Pratkan

Collaboration: Lamar University Faculty Choreography Concert

The Nutcracker, Dana Nicolay

Within: A Graduate Thesis Concert, Courtney Mulcahy

Kista Tucker Dance Company and Dangerous Lorraine's Dance Theatre in Concert

Strings Of...: An Undergraduate Honors Thesis Concert, Laurie Forsage

An Evening of Choreography by J&J Dance, Jade Boardman and Julie Davis

2005 *Thrown: A Graduate Thesis Concert*, Robin Phares

Dance Spectrum

Kista Tucker Dance Company in Concert

2004 *Return to the Land*, Melissa Wynn

Costume Design/ Construction

2007 *Kineseos Taxis: An Undergraduate Honors Thesis Concert*

2006 *The Final Stretch: A Senior Showcase*

Backstage/ Run Crew

2010 *TSUS Board of Regents Show- Backstage*

2007 *Dances @ 8- Sound Board OP*

2005 *Sweet Charity- Light Board Op*

Ragtime- Sound Board Op

Kista Tucker Dance Company in Concert- Light Board Op

2004 *Dance Spectrum- Assistant Stage Manager*

Additional Skills

11 Years of Classical Piano; Argentinean Tango; Sean-Nós Step Dancing; Polynesian Dancing; Taiko Drumming; Snare Drumming; Flying- Single Wire, Double Wire, Bungee; Published Author