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Profile

Teacher, performer, farmer, writer, entrepreneur, activist, born and raised in Baltimore City, I have dedicated my life to creating better and healthier community. .

Experience

CIRCUS PERFORMER/OWNER, BALTIMORE HOOP LOVE, BALTIMORE, MD – 2009 - PRESENT Co-creater and owner of a community based circus project with the goal of creating intergenerational fun, engaged exercise, and event entertainment through hula hoops, stilt walking, juggling and other circus arts.

FARMER, HECKEL FARM, BALTIMORE, MD - 2010 - PRESENT Farm manager and owner of a quarter acre urban farm which has transformed a traditional backyard into an organic permaculture food forest which grows over a ton of food and plant medicine every year.

TEACHER, BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM, BALTIMORE, MD – 1996 - 2008 Teacher of English and debate at Forest Park High School, Independence Local 1, and Connexions High School.

DEBATE COACH, BALTIMORE URBAN DEBATE LEAGUE, BALTIMORE MD - 1997- 2010 Coach and teacher trainer for local, national, and internationally traveling Policy Debate squads throughout Baltimore City.

writer/press office, mayor's office, baltimore, md - 1992- 1995 Assistant Press Secretary and speech writer for Baltimore City Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke

Education

Notre Dame College of Baltimore, Baltimore, MD - Teacher's Certificate, 1998

Haverford College, Haverford, PA - Bachelor of Arts, 1989

Baltimore City College High School - Graduated with Honors, 1985

Skills

Three decades of politics, teaching, coaching and activism have given me strong writing skills and an ability to engage with people around critical issues. A decade of farming has opened up a world of expertise in cultivation, soil health, nutrition, and small business management. A decade practicing circus work has given me thousands of hours of public interaction and performance, a Guinness World Record, and the ability to bring smiles and joy to folks of every age. Over a half a century of living consciously in Baltimore has given me the skills of resourcefulness, resilience, and gumption. Watch my TEDx talk at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S5WcDYxFyiw.

References

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