

Lily Bryant

Arts educator with 5+ years' experience creating inclusive dance programs, leading youth development initiatives, and fostering community arts engagement. Skilled in program logistics, partnership development, and strategic program expansion.

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EXPERIENCE

Atlanta Public Schools, Sutton Middle School — Director of the Dance Program

July 2022 - PRESENT

- Lead the vision, growth, and day-to-day operations of a multi-campus dance program serving 300+ students annually, including staff oversight, performance planning, and strategic program initiatives
- Produce and direct quarterly performances, handling creative direction, production logistics, cross-department coordination, and audience engagement
- Oversee program finances and vendor relationships, including budgeting, procurement, and resource planning
- Build and maintain partnerships with nonprofits, local arts organizations, and volunteers (e.g., United Way, PTA, Ailey Camp) to expand cultural access and community visibility
- Launch and manage extracurricular initiatives like GHSA competitive dance teams, dance clubs, and school-wide showcases that increase student participation and community visibility
- Develop culturally inclusive curriculum aligned with International Baccalaureate frameworks and district goals
- Facilitate communication with parents, school leadership, partner teachers, and community stakeholders to align program priorities and ensure responsive support
- Coordinate campus and district-level collaboration to deliver arts programming, student recruitment, and family engagement

ARTS ADMINISTRATION SKILLS

- Budgeting and vendor coordination (including multi-stakeholder initiatives)
- Communication platforms: Remind, Google Workspace
- Event planning and performance logistics
- Grant support, sponsorship coordination, and community outreach

Various Non-profit organizations, Atlanta, GA — Boy & Girls Club of MetroAtlanta, Moving In The Spirit, Americorp Vista

2016 - 2019

- Delivered engaging arts programs in community settings, increasing access to cultural education for 200+ students annually
- Led community outreach for grant-funded initiatives, coordinated volunteers, and expanded arts access for youth
- Designed youth dance curriculum and led collaborative performance productions with partner organizations

State Farm (Corporate) , Dunwoody, GA — *Underwriting Service Assistant*

August 2020 - July 2022

- Managed high-volume communications and documentation for regional agents with attention to accuracy and compliance
- Handled complex policy requests involving documentation review, compliance requirements, and financial oversight
- Produced timely reports and updates to support operational needs and strategic decisions
- Strengthened relationships and retention through clear customer support and problem-solving across multiple platforms

EDUCATION

Valdosta State University, Valdosta, GA

Bachelors of Fine Arts in Dance

Aug 2014 - December 2021

COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater — *Ailey Camp Atlanta (Student Access & Program Liaison)*

United Way of Greater Atlanta — *Community Performance and Volunteer Partnership (Organizer)*

Sutton Middle School Fine Arts Dept. — *Performance Collaboration (Director/Producer)*