

# MARQUI KUMAVAT

Artistic Advisor / Manager / Direction

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## SUMMARY

Artistic Advisor and Manager with over a decade of experience in performance management, artistic direction, and event coordination. Expert in upholding artistic vision, managing large-scale productions, and fostering a collaborative team culture. Led a team of 65+ artists, managed integrations of new talent, and coordinated successful events resulting in increased client satisfaction. Skilled in strategic planning, team building, and effective communication. Seeking a Show Director position at a company where I can utilize my artistic and management skills to support the mission of creating unforgettable, high-quality productions.

## EXPERIENCE

### Senior Artistic Advisor of Performance

Las Vegas, NV

#### Cirque du Soleil Entertainment Group

Present

Upheld artistic vision and managed artistic nightly in large scale productions.

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- Maintained show quality, artistic integrity. Developed and implemented new improvements to show acts.
- Collaborated with Sr Directors, marketing, and advertising teams to maintain brand consistency across PR & social media camptaigns including performances at NFL Draft, Life is Beautiful, Superbowl 2024, Jimmy Kimmel LIVE!, The Today Show, and The Beatles Rooftop Performance.
- Facilitated communication between all team members, fostering a positive work environment for creativity to thrive.
- Auditioned, selected and coached artists to execute high-quality performances and enhance production value.
- Guided artists in honing their skills, resulting in numerous accolades and greater show performance. Fostered highly communicative, collaborative team culture on the show and all projects.
- Drafted wrap-up reports for completed artistic activities and prepared bi-weekly progress updates.
- Enhanced overall production quality by effectively staying within budgets and resources while adhering to deadlines.

### Dance Coach

Las Vegas, NV

#### Cirque du Soleil Entertainment Group

06/2021 - 11/2023

- Coordinated with directors to enhance and refine choreography to properly enact intended vision.
- Managed the artistic quality of dance and movement, ensuring the upkeep of 10 shows a week.
- Built weekly schedules for artists, collaborated with coaches on integration plans.
- Achieved successful productions by effectively resolving conflicts or issues that arose within the team in a timely manner.
- Coordinated with casting on 15+ new hires, resulting in hiring world class talent from all over the world.

### Artist Coach / Featured Dancer

Las Vegas, NV

#### Cirque du Soleil Entertainment Group

02/2014 - 05/2021

- Ensured consistency in style and technique across all performers by regularly conducting training workshops.
- Assist the Director in auditions by teaching choreography and guiding artists through creative artistic exercises.
- Developed strong team dynamics through effective communication and leadership skills, resulting in seamless performances.
- Managed rehearsal schedules and logistics, ensuring timely preparation for shows and events.
- Coordinated with directors and other creative professionals to ensure a cohesive vision for each production.

### Event Manager

USA

#### StarStudded Productions

02/2014 - 06/2020

- Generated ideas to enhance and expand current event offerings.
- Oversaw preparation and management of event budgets to deliver at or below projected costs.
- Increased client satisfaction by consistently delivering well-executed events within budget constraints.
- Developed creative themes for events and created related activities to engage attendees.
- Trained and supervised event staff to complete tasks on time.
- Collaborated closely with clients throughout the planning process to ensure their vision was accurately reflected in the final event layout.

### Dance Captain

Miami, FL

#### Royal Caribbean International

06/2017 - 01/2018

- Maintained a professional attitude and work ethic during long rehearsals and performances.
- Managed rehearsal schedules and logistics, ensuring timely preparation for shows and events.
- Mentored new dancers, fostering collaboration and promoting a supportive environment within the company.
- Kept team properly spaces and positioned during numbers.
- Performed in multiple roles by attending daily rehearsals to perfect execution of dance movements.
- Brought in safety elements to make the show safer.

## EXPERIENCE

### Assistant Choreographer

Radio City Music Hall

New York, NY

10/2012 - 12/2016

Contributed to teaching of shows and facilitated successful productions.

- Collaborated with artistic and executive directors to teach repertoire, maintain organizational needs, company standards, and show integrity that have been withheld for 85 years
- Assisted in the management of productions, ensuring seamless execution and high-quality performances
- Improved turnover rate by creating an approachable, professional environment for performers.
- Supported the development of cohesive ensemble work through fostering teamwork among dancers during group routines.

## ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Walt Disney World

Dancer

Orlando, FL

10/2006 - 12/2018

Dream Along with Mickey, Mickey's Most Merriest Celebration, Celebrate the Season, Festival of the Lion King, Disney Event Group

### Tokyo Disney Resort

Aerialist

Tokyo, Japan

02/2006 - 08/2006

Mystic Rhythms

### Feld Entertainment

Dancer

Touring USA

2012 - 2012

Nuclear Cowboyz National Tour

## STRENGTHS

### Collaboration

Established partnerships Senior Directors, marketing, advertising, management to implement creative integrity

### Creative Manager

Skilled in entertainment management with a creative and innovative approach to productions.

### Effective Communicator

Strong communicator who excels in fostering collaboration and maintaining clear communication channels.

## SKILLS

Strategic Planning, Team Building and Management, Quick Learner / Adaptable, Entertainment Management, Diversity and Cultural Perspective, Strong Communicator, Creative

## EDUCATION

### Bachelors of Science in Business Management & Leadership

Daytona State College

Daytona, FL

06/2019 - 12/2021

## CERTIFICATION

### Hospitality & Tourism Management

Florida Atlantic University