# Jessica Buchanan

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Energetic, creative and passionate individual that would love to be a member of your team \*\*More detailed resume available upon request

#### **EXPERIENCE**

# **Western Canada Theatre,** Kamloops BC — Education & Outreach Assistant/Head Instructor/Front of House Assistant Manager

SEPTEMBER 2016 - MARCH 2018/SEPTEMBER 2020 - JULY 2024

Instructor with the Stage One Theatre school, for pupils aged 7 - 18; including a class designed specifically for students on the autism spectrum. In charge of inventory, dating, organizing and managing items at two separate locations for Concession and Bar. Point of contact with patrons and guests from a wide variety of performance styles.

### **School District 73 ASSAI After School Program**, Kamloops, BC — *Head Instructor (Theatre)*

SEPTEMBER 2020 - MAY 2024

Duties include: making lesson plans and adapting those lesson plans given the specific needs of each individual school. The ASSAI program is specifically geared towards children within SD73 who might have behavioral issues or might not be able to afford these classes normally.

### **The Second City,** Toronto ONT — Customer Service Representative/Assistant Instructor

JUNE 2019 - MARCH 2020

Responsible for the direct outreach with students, patrons and clients. Be knowledgeable of current productions, building safety and all ongoing classes/current curriculum for adult/youth classes. Assist Head Instructors with classroom management, running games/activities to ensure the children are stimulated and learning.

#### **SKILLS**

Creative & Outgoing Personality

Enjoys working in a teamwork environment

Hardworking

**Public Speaking** 

#### **CERTIFICATES**

FoodSafe (Level 1)

Serving it Right

#### **EDUCATION**

### **University of Calgary**, Calgary AB — *Master of Fine Arts* (*Directing*)

SEPTEMBER 2024 - PRESENT

Currently a First Year Graduate Student, with a research focus on TYA (Theatre for Young Audiences). Responsible for leading rehearsal, grading undergraduate work and helping organize an artistic conference to be held at The Banff Centre in 2025; amongst regular classes.

### **Thompson Rivers University**, Kamloops BC — Bachelor of Arts (Theatre/History)

SEPTEMBER 2011 - DECEMBER 2015

Co-Founder of the TRU Improv club. Heavily involved in theatrical volunteer opportunities (casualty simulations, first year orientations, leading tours throughout the theatre)

### **The Second City Toronto Training Centre,** Toronto ON – Conservatory and Advanced Sketch & Improvisation Graduate

OCTOBER 2018 - MARCH 2020

Co-Writer and Co-Performer of an original 75 minutes sketch comedy review: "100% a Show" Weekly writer, performer and host of sketch classes and improv shows throughout Toronto.

#### **REFERENCES**

**Terri Runnalls** (Director of Education & Outreach:: Western Canada Theatre) terri@wctlive.ca

**Robin Nichol** (Tenured Professor at Thompson Rivers University) <a href="mailto:rnichol@tru.ca">rnichol@tru.ca</a>

**Randi Edmundson**(Interim Artistic Producer Carousel Theatre for Young People/Artistic Producer Project-X Theatre)

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Location: Calgary/Kamloops/Vancouver, BC

Height: 5'9

Eye Colour: Green/Hazel

Hair Colour: Dirty Blonde

Hair Style: Layered Length\* \*Hair naturally curly

Appearance: White

**Film** (\* = Upcoming)

2022, Background, Gaslight, Gaslight Pictures Inc/Oddfellow Entertainment Inc, Miles Joris-Peyrafitte

2020, Sniper Jordan, Outrunners, Outrun Production Company, Ken Hegan

2020, Kat, Alice, Greenhouse Productions, Chrissy Hostetter

Stage (\* = Upcoming)

\*Co-Director The Emperor's New Threads Project-X Theatre

Long John Silver/OthersTreasure IslandRandi Edmundson/Project-X TheatreAssistant DirectorJesus Christ SuperstarJames MacDonald/Western Canada Theatre

Balin/Others The Hobbit Jennica Grienke/Project-X Theatre

Mustard Robin Nichol/Actors Workshop Theatre:TRU

Susan/White Witch The Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe Catriona Leger/Project-X Theatre
Performer/Writer Push Up Bar Catriona Leger/Break a Leg Collective

Performer/Writer 100% A Show Allana Reoch/Second City Toronto Conservatory

Undersecretary/Fools Bird Brain Robin Nichol/Western Canada Theatre

Frankie B Francine & Frankie B Make Art Randi Edmundson/Western Canada Theatre
Usher Sleep No More:The Musical Robin Nichol/Western Canada Theatre

Rosalind As You Like It Heidi Verwey/Actors Workshop Theatre:TRU

Accents & Dialects: (\* = Native)

American-Southern States, Scottish - Standard, RP, Cockney, Western Canadian\*, Bostonian, New York,

Eastern-Canadian, French, Russian, Irish (General)

**Sports:** (\* = Highly Skilled)

Soccer\*, Rugby, Baseball, Kickboxing, Long Distance Running\*, Golf

Other Skills: (\* = Highly Skilled)

Drivers License (Standard Vehicle), Theatre Educator\*, Hosting, Public Speaking\*

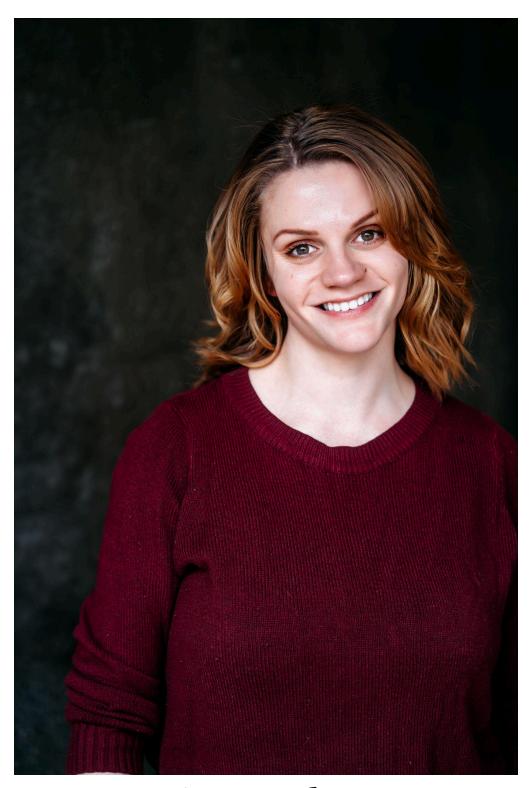
**Performance:** (\* = Highly Skilled)

Improvisation\*, Children's Theatre\*, Staged Reading, Immersive Theatre, Sketch Writing, Cabaret Theatre

**Training:** (\* = Upcoming)

University of Calgary - MFA Directing - September 2024 - Present Deb Podowski Acting Studio, Getting Specific With Scene Study, 2021 Second City Conservatory Program & Advanced Sketch, 2018 - 2020

Actors Workshop Theatre: Thompson Rivers University, BA Theatre/History, 2011 - 2016



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