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EDUCATION:

Master of Arts in English, 1993
San Diego State University, San Diego, CA

Bachelor of General Studies, 1981
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

EXPERIENCE:

Instructor: English Composition
Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL
August 1999-Present

- * Teach computer-assisted standard First-Year Composition.
- * Participate each semester in essay calibration sessions
- * Department Council First Year Composition Representative

Instructor: English Composition
Rock Valley Community College, Rockford, IL
Fall 1998-Spring 1999

- * Taught computer-assisted standard First-Year Composition and developmental First-Year Composition.

Instructor: English Composition
Sauk Valley Community College, Dixon, IL
Spring 1994- Spring 2006

- * Taught computer-assisted standard First-Year Composition and developmental First-Year Composition.

RELATED EXPERIENCE:

Solo Performance Artist

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Publication by performance of original short stories,
monologues, monodramas, essays and aphorisms

Publication-by-Performance:

Jellyfilled

(A one hour monodrama about isolation, Oscar Wilde, and fish tanks)

Canterbury Loft: Ann Arbor, Michigan (1980)

Harry's Lunch Counter and other stories

(Monologues on the subject of eating)

The Family Café: Newport, Rhode Island (1982)

The Duplex: New York City, New York (1985)

The Standup Thinker

(About a female comedian sweating backstage, waiting to be called up to perform)

San Diego Repertory Theater: San Diego, California (from 1989 to 1990)

The Pianobar Mistress

(A one hour solo performance piece about appeasing drunken patrons, stealing bar napkins, competing against the juke box and fearing the parents might show up)

The Mendelssohn Theater: Rockford, Illinois (1995)

Rockvalley College: Rockford, Illinois (1996)

The Keith School Musical!

(An original musical written for children, about children)

Keith School: Rockford, Illinois (1999)

Intimate Cruelties

(A 50-minute theatrical performance of words and music that explores the emotional dynamics of verbal and emotional abuse in intimate relationships)

The Women's Center: DeKalb Illinois (2000)

The New American Theater: Rockford Illinois (2000)

Mamie's Grocery

(A hair raising, uplifting and timeless story of rediscovery and a look back at childhood)

The New American Theater: Rockford Illinois (1995)

The Women's Center: DeKalb, Illinois (2000)

Zero Tolerance

(A collection of monologues)

The Women's Center: DeKalb, Illinois (1999)

The Journey

(A dramatic forty-five minute monologue about watching a loved one die)

The Women's Center: DeKalb, Illinois (2002)

Once Upon A Time... Discovering the Magic in Reading

(A 45-minute, high energy and inspiring, one-woman show in which students learn through music and storytelling how and why reading is important)

Once Upon a Time... performances:

Bloom School. Rockford, Illinois. 2005

Keith School. Rockford, Illinois. 2005

Riverdahl School. Rockford, Illinois. 2005

Indian Creek Middle School. Waterman, Illinois. 2005

Sauk Valley Community College literacy volunteers and adult learners' banquet.

Dixon, Illinois. 2006
IACEA Conference. Lisle, Illinois. 2006
Parkland College literacy volunteers and adult learners' celebration banquet.
Champagne, Illinois. 2006
Wilson Middle School. Rockford, Illinois. 2006
Prairie State College literacy volunteer's celebration.
Chicago Heights, Illinois. 2006
Central Illinois Adult Education Service Center Conference.
Peoria, Illinois. 2006
Southern Illinois Professional Development Center Conference.
Edwardsville, Illinois. 2006
Edwardsville, Illinois. 2006
Illinois Author's Book Fair. Springfield, Illinois. 2006
Immanuel Lutheran School. East Dundee, Illinois. 2007
St. Peter Cathedral School. Rockford, Illinois. 2007
Sandwich Middle School. Sandwich, Illinois. 2007
Literacy Volunteers of Illinois. Chicago, Illinois. 2007
Common Place. Peoria, Illinois. 2007
Iowa Department of Education. Middletown, Iowa. 2007
Cherry Valley Elementary School. Rockford, Illinois. 2007
Lathrop Elementary School. Rockford, Illinois. 2007

BOOKS

Books by Anonymous

(Interconnecting Media, 1994-1995)

Jellyfilled, a book of aphorisms

(World Company Press, 1995)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

The Standup Thinker: a book of aphorisms and essays

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

Illinois Association of Teachers of English

Rockford Area Arts Council

AWARDS

Jenefer M. Giannasi Award for Excellence in Teaching First-Year Composition

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