

Stav Meishar

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founding Director and Lead Teaching Artist

Sept. 2012 – Present

*Dreamcoat Experience * USA 2012-present, adding UK 2018-present*

- Using artistic means such as circus, music, drama and yoga to teach various aspects of Judaism
- Creating enrichment programs for all occasions for synagogues, day schools and after-school programs
- Connecting Jewish children and families to their heritage and cultivating relationships in the community

Jewish Educator, Music Teacher and Service Leader

Sept. 2009 – 2018

*Past employers include: Village Temple, Temple Emanu-El, Romemu and more. * New York City*

- Creating weekly lessons for children ages 4-11 teaching Hebrew, Torah, Jewish values and more
- Teaching music classes and leading Shabbat and High Holidays devices for kids and families
- Maintaining frequent contact with rabbis, supervisors and parents to follow up on kids' progress

Dance and Creative Movement Instructor

June 2012 – August 2012

*Gan Israel Day Camp * Boston, MA*

- Teaching Dance to children ages 6-11 and Creative Movement to toddlers ages 2-6
- Choreographing their final performance of Israeli and Jewish songs and dances

Theater Director

June 2011 – August 2011

*KenMont/KenWood Summer Camps * Kent, CT*

- Directing, producing and musical directing over 30 children ages 8-14 in a production of *Seussical Jr.*
- Editing and adapting the play for the camp's needs and overseeing all production designers and team

EDUCATION:

BFA Musical Theatre, Double Minor Jewish Studies and Gender Studies

GPA: 3.99 (graduated Summa Cum Laude) || *Class of 2016, The New School * New York, NY*

Scholarships: Osher Re-Entry Scholarship, Joan Howard Kersner Memorial Scholarship, Dean's Scholarship, Hebrew Free Loan Society's Rose Biller Scholarship.

CERTIFICATES AND TRAINING:

- Certificate: Vocational Level 5 Contemporary Circus with Physical Theatre, 2019 (*Circomedia UK*)
- Certificate: Teaching Circus to Special Needs Children, 2014 (*Holistic Circus Therapy*)
- Certificate: Ring One Teacher, 2013 (*CircusYoga*)

AWARDS AND HONORS:

- Selectee: **36 Under 36**, a cohort of young Jews reinventing community life, 2017 (*The Jewish Week*)
- Winner: **Young Pioneer Award** for Innovation in Jewish Education, 2014 (*Jewish Education Project*)
- Winner (for *Dreamcoat Experience*): **Concept Contest Project**, 2013 (*COJECO*)

INTERESTS AND SKILLS:

- Languages: Hebrew (fluent), English (fluent), French (conversational), Spanish (beginner).
- Proficient in Office Suite, Raiser's Edge, PatronMail, MailChimp, Weebly and FreshBooks. Experienced in Photoshop and iMovie.
- Interests include: Performing Arts, Photography, Journaling, Traveling and AcroYoga.
- I have volunteered with social circuses in South Africa and Peru teaching underprivileged children.
- I am motivated, creative, ambitious and pride myself on hard work and perseverance. I excel in leadership and management roles that require problem solving skills and out-of-the-box thinking. I am also phenomenal at imitating animal noises and Disney characters.