



MINH HÀ MILLIE LÊ (SHE/HER)

CREATIVE DIRECTOR | PRODUCER | MULTIDISCIPLINARY STORYTELLER NON-PROFIT THEATRE CO-FOUNDER

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I am passionate about celebrating human stories in ways that foster conversations. With 7+ years of leadership experience in creative, educational, and social justice fields, surrealist re-imagination and community centered collaboration remain at the core of my work. What is a conversation you wish you had started, and how can I help make it happen?

EDUCATION

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY | M.S. Leadership for Creative Enterprises

Lambda Pi Eta Honors Society, Convocation Student Speaker, Social Media Assistant

Courses: In(Equity) in the Arts & Entertainment, Cultural Non-profit Organization Management, Economics, Marketing Strategies in Creative Industries, Brand Management, Arts Law and Ethics, Organizational Processes, Personal Leadership, Business Models, Culture and Arts Analytics

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO | B.A. Communication Studies, Minor in Theatre

School of Communication Student Ambassador, Undergraduate Admissions Student Ambassador, Diminuendo Literary & Arts Magazine Co-president, Technology Lab Media Assistant, Hall Council External Affairs Coordinator

Additional Training: Directing Theatre Intensive at the John F. Kennedy Center for Performing Arts

EXPERIENCE

Co-founder, Artistic Director, Production Director, Playwright | FRAGMENTS Theatre | 2016 - Present

A non-profit independent theatre company based in Hanoi, Vietnam – fragmentstheatre.wixsite.com/theatre

- Established and led company, overseeing all organizational processes including strategic growth, programming, human resources, budget management, marketing, sponsorship, and community outreach
- Managed end-to-end production processes including musical ideation, casting, rehearsals, and production
- Recruited and managed 80+ international cast, crew, and organization members, providing production and professional development training across 12 departments based on company core values
- Developed company's identity to highlight value propositions on grant proposals, securing sponsorships valued at \$10,000 in cash and in-kind contributions
- Produced and coordinated multi-channel social media marketing campaigns, achieving a growth of 4,000+ public audience members, 800+ tickets at sold-out shows, and national media coverage
- Wrote 2 original musicals, managing cross-department ideation processes between playwrights and composers
- Directed company's second original musical, spearheading artistic vision, casting, staging, music, choreography, and design directives, leading production rehearsals, and coordinating show nights

Marketing and Communications Assistant | Northwestern University School of Communication | 2024 - Present

- Coordinated and produced marketing materials for the MS in Leadership for Creative Enterprises (MSLCE) and MS in Communication (MSC) programs, reviving the MSLCE YouTube channel and all MSC social channels
- Coordinated and produced MSLCE's new marketing campaign for Google Ads, Meta Ads, website, and socials
- Designed the visual identity and coordinated event planning for "4 Decades of Dialogue", MSC's 40-year anniversary celebration, and "MSLCE at 10", MSLCE's 10-year anniversary celebration
- Coordinated "MSLCE at 10" in-person celebration event of 100+ attendees at Steppenwolf Theatre Company
- Coordinated online and in-person events connecting students, alum, faculty, staff, and creative leaders

Development and Programming Intern | Virginia Wadsworth Wirtz Center for Performing & Media Arts | 2024

- Developed grant proposals based on the organization's mission, goals, operations, and funding needs
- Identified new and strengthened existing strategic partnerships with cultural and artistic organizations
- Assisted the revision of mission statement to determine new direction of organization
- Developed external rental policy document and proposal for facilities advancement
- Assisted community outreach and marketing initiatives for summer productions

Editorial Assistant | RHINO Poetry Magazine | 2022 - 2023

- Assisted curation of submissions via Submittable, production, and distribution of annual poetry publications
- Organized and represented RHINO at community events and poetry readings
- Assisted the annual visioning of RHINO's mission statement, organizational structure, and programming
- Produced and coordinated marketing for official website, social media channels, and email marketing systems
- Digitally archived past poetry publications on RHINO's official website

Literary Management and Public Programs Intern | Victory Gardens Theater | 2020

- Researched and developed dramaturgy packets for mainstage productions
- Developed and implemented audience engagement strategies
- Coordinated pre- and post-show events
- Reviewed and synthesized new play submissions

Artistic Administration and Dramaturgy Intern | Lookingglass Theatre Company | 2019

- Reviewed drafts and assisted in-person readings of plays in development
- Conducted dramaturgical research for plays in development
- Coordinated day-to-day artistic administration

Co-president, AD/PR Chair, Editor | Diminuendo Literary & Arts Magazine | 2017 - 2020

- Directed magazine's creative identity and curation, revamping magazine's brand identity and archival system
- Produced and managed budget proposals, representing magazine in university programming meetings
- Led weekly board and editorial meetings and coordinated organization's transition through COVID-19
- Curated, produced, and distributed 2 annual publications
- Produced and hosted 2 annual publication release events and semesterly poetry readings

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Freelance Creative | *flowersandfilm* | 2018 - Present

- Creative Director: branding, visual identity, concepts, and curation; creative projects and community events
- Videographer and Photographer: pre-production through post-production; professional and personal projects
- Writer and Developmental Dramaturg: research, story development, and text; digital and performance media

Founder, Creative Director | Persona Space by *flowersandfilm* | 2023 - Present

- Designed curriculum for and hosted month-long in-person poetry workshops for new and experienced writers
- Developed creative identity and coordinated marketing campaign for launch and promotion of workshop series

Strategic Development Consultant | League of Chicago Theatres | 2024

Programming Consultant | Epiphany Center for the Arts | 2024

New Play Workshop Assistant | The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts | 2022

Afterschool Academic Program Volunteer | Chicago HOPES for Kids | 2017 - 2018

Volunteer and English/Arts Teacher | Humanitarian Services for Children of Vietnam | 2015 - 2016

Founding Member & Undersecretary General | Vietnam National Model United Nations | 2015 - 2017

Head of Programming | The Happy Bookshelf Community Organization | 2015

SKILLS

Management and Programming: Strategic and long-term planning, artistic contracts, human resources management, volunteer recruitment and management, board relations, budget management, fundraising, and grant writing

Marketing and Media: Pre-production through distribution, graphic design, Adobe Creative Suite, Wix, Figma

Languages: English (fluent) and Vietnamese (fluent)

SELECTED MEDIA PRODUCTIONS

Theatre

Director | *Arriving At* | Green Shirt Studios | Playwright: Ike Butler | 2024

Developmental Dramaturg | *Do You See Me* | Director and Playwright: Frannie Maas | 2023

Director | *Does It Feel Like Home* Workshop | Loyola Underground Laboratory | Mentor: Rachel Healy | 2022

Dramaturg | *Everybody* | Newhart Family Theatre | Director: Devon de Mayo | 2022

Associate Director | *Polaroid Stories* | Newhart Family Theatre | Director: Lavina Jadhvani | 2021

Musical Theatre

Director and Playwright | *January Sun* | FRAGMENTS Theatre at Đại Nam Theater | 2021

Dramaturg | *Fun Home* | Newhart Family Theatre | Director: Mark Lococo | 2020

Playwright | *A Bullet for My Valentine* | FRAGMENTS Theatre at Vietnam Youth Theater | 2017

Film

Director | *Does It Feel Like Home* Documentary | Present

Costume Director | *Christmas in Chicago* | Three Lifetimes Media | 2024

Costume Director | *After the 10th* TV Series | Three Lifetimes Media | 2022

Director and Screenwriter | *Lapse* | 2022