

James M. Johnson

Stage Name: James Wakeland

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

2023 Master of Fine Arts in Acting	East 15 Acting School, University of Essex (UK)
2022 Acting Residency	Shakespeare's Globe Higher Education (UK)
2021 Bachelor of Fine Arts in Acting	Utah State University, Caine College of the Arts
2019 Theatre Internship	Lyric Repertory Company
2017 Theatre Apprenticeship	Lyric Repertory Company

Certifications

Utah Associate Educator's License (AEL) — Secondary Education
Theatre (6-12) Endorsement
Valid 2025-2028

Certified Actor Combatant—British Academy of Dramatic Combat
Standard Unarmed
Standard Rapier and Dagger
Valid 2023-2025

Teaching Experience

2025 Substitute Teacher; ESS-Alpine School District

2024 Guest Speaker; Bingham High School Drama Department

2023 Workshop Leader—Directing Shakespeare; East 15 Acting School

2022 Theatre in Education Tour; East London Theatre Company
Theatre in Education Tour; East 15 Acting School

2021 Theatre in Education Tour; Utah Story Center

2017 Teaching Assistant—Drama I; Maeser Preparatory Academy
Teaching Assistant—Shakespeare; Maeser Preparatory Academy
Teaching Assistant—Middle School Drama; Maeser Preparatory Academy

Memberships in Professional Organizations

2022-2025 Equity (UK)

Creative Activity

Acting:

Professional Theatre:

2025	Flowers for Mrs. Harris The Box-Car Children	Terry/Commentator Dr. McCallister	The Ruth and Nathan Hale Theater Creekside Theatre Fest
2024	Sweet Love, Adieu MacDeth! The Heat Death of the Universe	Ridley/Priest Malcolm Gabriel	OVO Theatre & Rogue Shakespeare (London, UK) OVO Theatre & Rogue Shakespeare (London, UK) Self-Produced (London, UK)
2023	Camino Real Mary Lamb	Kilroy S.T. Coleridge	Bridewell Theatre & East 15 (London, UK) Hoxton Hall Theatre & East 15 (London, UK)
2022	DNA As You Like It	Phil Orlando	East London Theatre Company (UK) Shakespeare's Globe Higher Education (UK)
2021	The Prince's New Pet	Prince Veridian	Utah Story Center
2020	<i>(all 2020 productions canceled due to Covid-19)</i> Brighton Beach Memoirs Murder on the Nile All Shook Up	Eugene Steward Ensemble	Lyric Repertory Company Lyric Repertory Company Lyric Repertory Company
2018	The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time	Multirole	The Restless Observers
2014	A Christmas Carol	Peter Cratchit	Hale Center Theatre Orem

Academic Theatre:

2022	Cat Among the Pigeons Puss in Boots The Rest Will Be Familiar to You from Cinema	Chenneviette Rab Eteocles	East 15 Acting School (London, UK) East 15 Acting School (London, UK) East 15 Acting School (London, UK)
2021	The Deep Blue Sea Still Life Our Town	Freddie Page Young Man George Gibbs	East 15 Acting School (London, UK) East 15 Acting School (London, UK) Utah State University, Caine College of the Arts
2020	A Flea in Her Ear She Kills Monsters The Crucible (canceled)	Dr. Finache Steve Ezekiel Cheever	Utah State University, Caine College of the Arts Utah State University, Caine College of the Arts Utah State University, Caine College of the Arts
2019	Pericles: Prince of Tyre Shockheaded Peter	Lysimachus/Thaliard Gunter/Puppeteer	Utah State University, Caine College of the Arts Utah State University, Caine College of the Arts
2018	The Babylon Line Once Upon a Mattress	Marc Adams Sir James	Utah State University, Caine College of the Arts Utah State University, Caine College of the Arts
2017	Much Ado About Nothing	Benedick	Maeser Preparatory Academy Drama
2016	The King and the Magician Singin' in the Rain	Husband Diction Teacher	Maeser Preparatory Academy Drama Maeser Preparatory Academy Drama
2015	It's a Wonderful Life The Drowsy Chaperone	Clarence Oddbody Ensemble	Maeser Preparatory Academy Drama Maeser Preparatory Academy Drama
2014	Almost, Maine The Foreigner	Daniel Ellard	Maeser Preparatory Academy Drama Maeser Preparatory Academy Drama

Community Theatre:

2018 Big River	The Young Fool	Scera Shell Outdoor Theatre
2017 Xanadu	Danny	Barlow Arts Conservatory
2016 The Nutcracker	Parent	Barlow Arts Conservatory
Annie Jr.	Oliver Warbucks	Barlow Arts Conservatory
Aida School Edition	Soldier	HCTO Youth
2015 Thoroughly Modern Millie	Ensemble	Barlow Arts Conservatory
Annie Jr.	President Roosevelt	HCTO Youth
2014 Willy Wonka Jr.	Mr. Bucket	HCTO Youth
Tom Sawyer TYA	Doc Robinson, Pap	HCTO Youth
The Little Mermaid Jr.	King Triton	Barlow Arts Conservatory
2011 The Nutcracker	The Nephew	Barlow Arts Conservatory
2010 The Nutcracker	The Nephew	Barlow Arts Conservatory
2009 The Nutcracker	The Nephew	Barlow Arts Conservatory

Showcases and Cabarets:

2024 Spooky Theatre Night	Self	Temporal Horizons Productions
2023 MFA International Showcase	Self	East 15 Acting School
2022 International Voices	Self	East 15 Acting School
2021 BFA Showcase	Self	Utah State University, Caine College of the Arts
2020 USU TSA Cabaret	Self	Utah State University, Caine College of the Arts
2019 NYC Cabaret	Self	Utah State University, Caine College of the Arts
2017 Apprentice Showcase	Self	Lyric Repertory Company

Film:

2024 Impact	Talk Show Host	Independent
2023 Countryside PTSD	Terry	Lucifer's Lab Productions
Caged	Man IV	Rebel Muse Studios
Don't You Run	Officer	Dirty Spoon Productions
2021 Re[Fuse]	Multirole	USU Fusion Company
2019 Debate Study (Industrial)	Politician	USU Department of Communications

Technical Theatre:

2019 Props & Stage Crew	A Raisin in the Sun	Lyric Repertory Company
Props & Stage Crew	Mamma Mia	Lyric Repertory Company
Props & Stage Crew	Clybourne Park	Lyric Repertory Company
Props & Stage Crew	Murder for Two	Lyric Repertory Company
2017 Stage Crew	Much Ado About	Utah State University
	Nothing	
Light Board Operator	Awake and Sing	Utah State University
Stage Crew	Big River	Lyric Repertory Company
Stage Crew	Murder in the Dark	Lyric Repertory Company
Stage Crew	The Foreigner	Lyric Repertory Company
Stage Crew	Complete Works of	Lyric Repertory Company

Shakespeare (Abridged)

Honors & Awards

- 2020 Utah State University, Caine College of the Arts, Hansen Scholarship
Utah State University, Caine College of the Arts, Marie Eccles Scholarship
2019 Utah State University, Caine College of the Arts, Theatre Faculty Scholarship
2017 Utah State Drama Competition, Dramatic Monologues, 2nd Place

Continuing Education

- 2024 Olissa Rogers—Auditioning for Film & Television; Casting Workshops, London, UK
Chandra Ruegg—Auditioning for Film & Television; Casting Workshops, London, UK
Jonny Boutwood—Auditioning for Film & Television; Casting Workshops, London, UK
Annelie Powell—Auditioning for Musical Theatre; Casting Workshops, London, UK
Annelie Powell—Shakespeare; Casting Workshops, London, UK
Gordon Anderson—Auditioning for Film & Television; Casting Workshops, London, UK
Tim Fywell—Auditioning for Film & Television; Casting Workshops, London, UK
Michael Oakley—Shakespeare & His Contemporaries; Spotlight Boost Workshops; London, UK
Zoë Templeman-Young—Theatre Audition Preparation; Spotlight Boost Workshops, London, UK
Zoë Templeman-Young—Approaching & Performing Shakespeare; Spotlight Boost Workshops
London, UK
2023 Tim Klotz—Standard Fight Certification – Unarmed, Rapier & Dagger; British Academy of
Dramatic Combat & ID Fight, London, UK

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Résumé

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Summary

Actor and theatre practitioner, experienced in education, customer service and document review. Trained and worked as an actor in London while also pursuing other career opportunities.

Education

Master of Fine Arts in Acting	East 15 Acting School (London, UK)	2021-2023
Bachelor of Fine Arts in Acting	Utah State University	2017-2021

Certifications

Utah Associate Educator License (AEL) — Secondary Education
Theatre (6-12) Endorsement
Valid 2025-2028

Employment History

Substitute Teacher – ESS-Alpine School District March 2025-Current

- Implement lesson plans
- Aid students in understanding subject matter
- Maintain attendance records
- Supervise students and manage the classroom

Court Reporting Scopist – Virginia Captions, LLC, Remote May 2023-Current

- Review and edit legal documents and transcripts
- Communicate with court reporters and law personnel
- Attend depositions, court proceedings and legal meetings virtually
- Organize multiple projects per week and invoice accordingly

Server & Host – The Standard Pub, Debden, UK May-August 2022

- Took orders, delivered food and beverages and handled payments
- Prepared cocktails and bar drinks
- Catered events at the venue

Front of House Associate – Nederlander Theatres, London, UK March-April 2022

- Welcomed guests to the venue and guided them to their seats
- Sold merchandise, food and beverages
- Attended performances to maintain audience conduct
- Worked with a large team to ensure a smooth performance

- Server** – Olive Garden, American Fork, Utah May-August 2021
- Took orders, delivered food and beverages and handled payments
 - Prepared drinks, salads and desserts
- Resident Assistant** – Utah State University, Logan, Utah Sept. 2020-May 2021
- Oversaw the safety and wellbeing of 30 student residents
 - Planned events and activities on my own and as part of a team
 - Performed office administrative duties
 - Held office hours to offer help and support to residents
- Catering Server** – Utah State University, Logan, Utah Sept. 2019-Sept. 2020
- Worked on a large team to set up and take down large catered events
 - Prepared food and set tables
 - Drove box trucks to and from venues
 - Served food and beverages to guests
- Server** – Wingers Restaurants, Logan, Utah May-August 2020
- Took orders, delivered food and beverages and handled payments
 - Prepared drinks, salads and desserts
- Props Intern** – Lyric Repertory Company, Logan, Utah May-August 2019
- Worked with the design team to choose and build props
 - Worked as stage crew on four productions
 - Assisted with set changeovers
- Education Explorer** – Thanksgiving Point, Lehi, Utah May-August 2018
- Taught and organized science-themed summer camps
 - Worked with children of all ages
 - Facilitated education within the various museums
 - Hosted the weekly musical event “Tales for Tots”
- Theatre Apprentice** – Lyric Repertory Company, Logan, Utah May-August 2017
- Worked in the scene and costume shops constructing sets and costumes
 - Worked as stage crew on several productions
 - Welcomed guests to the venue and guided them to their seats

Skills

- Theatre Studies and Performance:
Acting, Voice, Movement, Shakespeare,
Literature
- Collaboration
- Communication
- Computer Literacy
- Conflict Resolution
- Creativity
- Document Review
- Instruction
- Leadership
- Organization
- Planning
- Time Management

JAMES WAKELAND – Acting Resume

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Voice: Baritone
Height: 5'10"
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Brown

THEATRE – Off-West End

Camino Real	Kilroy	Bridewell Theatre/East 15	Tracy Collier
Mary Lamb	S.T. Coleridge	Hoxton Hall Theatre/East 15	Matthew Lloyd
As You Like It	Orlando	Shakespeare's Globe Higher Ed.	Phil Cumbus

THEATRE – UK Tour

Sweet Love, Adieu	Ridley/Priest	OVO Theatre/Rogue Shakespeare	Ryan Smith
MacDeth!	Malcom	OVO Theatre/Rogue Shakespeare	Ryan Smith
DNA	Phil	East London Theatre Company	Jon Fentiman

THEATRE – Regional

Flowers for Mrs. Harris	Terry/Commentator	The Ruth and Nathan Hale Theater	Barta Heiner
The Box-Car Children	Dr. McCallister	Creekside Theatre Fest	Blake Barlow
The Prince's New Pet	Prince Veridian	Utah Story Center	Chris Hulst
A Christmas Carol	Peter Cratchit	Hale Center Theatre Orem	Jerry Elison

THEATRE – Academic

Puss in Boots	Rab	East 15 Acting School	Katie Pesskin
Cat Among the Pigeons	Chenneviete	East 15 Acting School	Robin Sneller
The Rest Will Be Familiar...	Eteocles	East 15 Acting School	Gemma Brockis
Our Town	George Gibbs	Utah State University Theatre	Leslie Brott
A Flea in Her Ear	Dr. Finache	Utah State University Theatre	Valerie Rachelle
She Kills Monsters	Steve	Utah State University Theatre	Chris DuVall
Pericles: Prince of Tyre	Lysimachus/Thaliard	Utah State University Theatre	Leslie Brott
Shockheaded Peter	Gunter/Puppeteer	Utah State University Theatre	Richie Call
The Babylon Line	Marc Adams	Utah State University Theatre	Michael Shipley
Once Upon a Mattress	Sir James	Utah State University Theatre	Paul M. Barnes

SHORT FILM

Countryside PTSD	Lead	Lucifer's Lab Productions	Jules Louineau
Caged	Supporting	Rebel Muse Studios	Anastasia Marshall
Don't You Run	Supporting	Dirty Spoon Productions	Azana Patterson
Impact	Supporting	Independent	Madeline Abel

TRAINING

MFA Acting	East 15 Acting School (London, UK)
BFA Acting	Utah State University Theatre Arts
Acting Residency	Shakespeare's Globe Higher Education

SPECIAL SKILLS

Dialects: Standard American, Southern, SEA, RP
 Music: Singing, Musical Saw, Basic Guitar
 Combat: BADC Standard Certification - Unarmed, Rapier & Dagger
 Movement/Dance: Physical Theatre, Laban, Somatic Movement, Basic Dance, Basic Tap
 Other: Puppetry, Juggling, Voiceover