# Erica Cenci

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Energetic, adaptable, and passionate teaching artist with over a decade of experience providing inclusive and collaborative learning environments for students 6-13 years old. Highly proficient in multiple styles. Encourages exploration of creativity while learning technique and performance skills.

#### Education

May 2006

## Muhlenberg College - Allentown, PA

Bachelor of Arts, English and Theatre (Performance Concentration), cum laude

#### **Relevant Teaching Experience**

Oct. 2020 - Present

#### Elefante Music & School for the Performing Arts – New Providence, NJ

- Develop virtual classes exploring *Hamilton*, *Glee* & hip-hop dance.
- Part of a team working with Lincoln-Hubbard Elementary School to help guide students 9-12 years old through writing and performing an original play on Zoom.

Sept. 2019 - Present

#### I Can Do That NYC! - New York, NY

- Design and implement curriculum for virtual musical theater classes culminating in an informal final presentation on Zoom.
- Supported in-person after school classes and summer camps introducing students 3-11 years old to musical theater through dance and acting games, and choreography.

Sept. 2016 - Present

#### Broadway Dance Theatre - North Plainfield, NJ

- Responsible for introducing dance curriculum for Beginner and Intermediate Level classes in Tap & Hip-Hop for students 5 -11 years old.
- Choreograph recital numbers and clean pieces for the competition team.

2011 - 2013

#### The School at Steps - New York, NY

- Assisted Vicki Fischer-Jenkins in Jazz 1 & Jazz 2 classes.
- Guided students 9-16 years old learn foundations of jazz dance movement, vocabulary and classroom etiquette.

2006 - 2009

#### Westfield Public School District - Westfield, NJ

Substitute teacher for grades K-5 and 9-12 in multiple subjects.

2004-06, 2009, 2011

#### Paper Mill Playhouse - Millburn, NJ

- Resident Junior & Junior Plus dance teacher for Summer Musical Theater Conservatory.
- Focused on strengthening technique and performance skills in a variety of styles.

#### **Choreography Experience**

2012

## <u> Paper Mill Playhouse - Millburn, NJ</u>

• Assisted director James Brennan on The Sound of Music.

2007

# New Milford High School - New Milford, NJ

• High school debut of Arthur The Musical.

2003, 2004, 2008

#### Westfield High School - Westfield, NJ

• The Pirates of Penzance, Evita, and Anything Goes.

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Professional Development	
Upcoming July 2021	<ul> <li>Institute for Arts Integration and STEAM</li> <li>Global K-12 Arts Integration &amp; STEAM Online Conference.</li> </ul>
Mar. 2021	<ul> <li>American Tap Dance Foundation Teacher Training Workshop</li> <li>Virtual rhythm tap workshop.</li> </ul>
July 2020	<ul> <li>National Dance Institute Collaborative for Teaching &amp; Learning</li> <li>National Dance Institute's Virtual Teaching Artist Training Intensive Level 1 and Level 2.</li> </ul>
Sept. 2020	<ul> <li>Broadway Dance Center Dance Teacher Training Workshop</li> <li>Virtual training for tap teachers.</li> </ul>
June 2006	<ul> <li>Paper Mill Playhouse – Milburn, NJ</li> <li>◆ Hello Dolly! observership with director Mark Hoebe.</li> </ul>
Affiliations	
2012 - Present 2020 - Present	Actors' Equity Association Off The Lane Mentorship Program
Honors	
2006	American College Dance Festival Regional Finalist for <i>Tango x Three</i> Co-choreographed with Adam Bucci and Kara Zimmerman
2003	Paper Mill Playhouse Rising Star Nominee Best Choreography for <i>Pirates of Penzance</i>