

Experience Summary

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Work Experience

Vesta

2010 – Present

- Sole Proprietor of multi-branch entertainment and education business
- Circus Troupe co-ordinator, leading large scale fire and LED performances
- Lessons and summer camps for children and adults
- Artist In Residence school programs with grades 2-9
- Partnering with community stakeholders such as DARE and Crimson Coast Dance Society for community performance facilitation
- Teaching Artist with ArtStarts Artist in the Classroom

Victoria Juggling and Flow Festival (organizer)

2013 – Present

- Organizing conference workshops and producing high end gala showcase for annual event servicing 500 attendees.

Program Leader

2013 – 2015

Boys and Girls Club Central Vancouver Island

- Design, implement and evaluate programming activities for children
- Supervise and train new staff, and drive 15 passenger vans

Generalist Social Work Practitioner

1995 – 2007

Various positions and roles both within government and NFP sector, such as:

- *Woman's Assault/Children Who Witness*, Haven Society 2007 – 2008
- *Supported Access Worker*, Nanaimo Family Resource Centre 2007
- *Social Worker*, The Nanaimo Mother and Baby Society 2006
- *Child Protection Social Worker*, Ministry for Children and Families 2005
- *Employment Assistance Worker*, Min. of Social Development 1995 - 2004
- *Government Staff Trainer/Facilitator (Special Projects)* 1996 – 2004
- *Training Consultant* 2003

Notable Experience

SPARK Circus

2012

- International Social Circus tour teaching and performing fire and day shows in refugee camps, orphanages and hospitals in Burma/Thailand

Education

Food Safe

St. John's Ambulance (Standard First Aid, CPR, AR)

Class 4 BCDL

VIU, Post Baccalaureate Education Teaching Certificate

2016

Practicums in grades 6/7, 4/5 and 4

UVIC, Bachelor of Social Work

2006

Adult Education/Substance Misuse specialization

(Oct 2005)

Post Degree Specialization, Child Welfare

(Dec 2006)