

# FRANCESCA DREWELL

PRODUCTION AND ART DEPT. TRAINEE



## PROFILE

I am a forward-thinking, enthusiastic, organised and creative person. I love working in a team on large projects with the creative thinking, logical planning and last-minute problem solving that projects often bring. I am a valuable member of any team, I work fast, learn quickly, take initiative and always bring a committed and positive energy!

## SKILLS

- People organisation, coordination and management
- Team work and leadership
- Creative idea conception to project execution
- Schedule and email management
- Sewing (including pattern cutting, embroidery, knitting)
- Mixed media art
- Traditional crafts including forging and woodwork (both manual and power tools)
- Sailing
- PR/design (Instagram, Canva)

## CONTACT

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- 📍 UK based but happy to relocate

- Full Drivers License
- RYA Sailing Competent Crew Certificate

## PASSPORTS

English, Dutch, South African

## LANGUAGES

- English
- Dutch (conversational)
- German (basic)

## WORK EXPERIENCE

## THEATRE AND FILM

### Filmmaking Course

- **2024** Amsterdam, NL

Completed a 4 week intensive practical filmmaking course.

### Director (Theatre)

- **2024** Amsterdam, NL

*Legally Blonde The Musical* (University Production).

- **2019** Devon, UK

*The Importance of Being Earnest* (College Production).

- **2015-2016** Devon, UK

*Romeo and Juliet* and *The Resistible Rise of Arturo Ui* (School Production).

- **2014-2019** Devon, UK

Amateur Pantomime - directed, co-directed and wrote local village productions including *Snow White and the Several Dwarves*, *Strictly Cinderella*, *Peter Panto*, and *Jack and the Genetically Modified Beanstalk*.

### ■ **Backstage Manager (Theatre)**

- **2021** Amsterdam, NL

*Mama Mia The Musical* (University Production)

- **2014-2019** Devon, UK

Backstage managed local amateur pantomime productions including *Snow White and the Several Dwarves*, *Strictly Cinderella*, *Peter Panto*, and *Jack and the Genetically Modified Beanstalk*.

### ■ **Newscast**

- **2021-2023** Amsterdam, NL

Founded the university monthly video form newsletter which covered past and upcoming events, university life, fun interview segments etc.

### ■ **Runner (Short Film)**

- **2018** Devon, UK

Worked as a runner on a short film *Bellmouth* (2018), passion project of director Joseph Roberts, starring Tim Plester.

### ■ **Costume**

- **2019** Devon, UK

Designed and made a Pantomime Dame costume for *Jack and the Beanstalk*.

- **2018** Devon, UK

Worked as costume assistant for a professional production of *Beauty and the Beast* (Plymouth Musical Theatre Group).

- **2015** Devon, UK

Made corsets, doublets and dresses for school production of *Romeo and Juliet*.

### ■ **London Fashion Week**

#### **Studio Assistant**

London, UK **2024**

- Worked for designer and tailor Joshua Kane in his recent Decade show, finishing garments and dressing models.

#### **Show Manager**

London, UK **2023-2024**

- For pioneering eco-punk fashion designers Vin and Omi for their London Fashion Week show in collaboration with **King Charles**. I was the main point of contact on the day for all departments including security, hair and makeup, press, interns and models.

#### **Model**

London, UK **2023**

- Walked the runway in two Vin and Omi LFW shows.

#### **Fashion Intern**

London, UK **2019-2014**

- Helped with making most garments (including sewing and pattern cutting) in four Vin and Omi LFW shows and conducted model fittings.

### ■ **Pieces in Museum Collections**

- **2022-2023** London, UK

Garments that I made for designers Vin and Omi in collaboration with King Charles were selected by museum curators, put in the **Victoria and Albert Museum** permanent collection and displayed in the **National Museum of Scotland** in a dedicated, custom built display room.

## TEXTILES AND FASHION

## STUDENT ASSOCIATION AND REPRESENTATIVE

### Alteration Business

- **2021-2024** Amsterdam, NL

*AUCA* Alterations - Set up a small clothing alterations business from my university dorm room.

### Teaching Assistant

- **2016-2017** Devon, UK

Taught beginner sewing classes for adults alongside my textiles teacher.

### Amsterdam University College

- **2022-2023** Amsterdam, NL

#### Board Member

- As part of a close knit board of six members, we oversaw the social aspects of university life - managing **37 teams**, organising social events for our **950 members**.

#### Committee Affairs Officer

- I was personally in charge of **12 committee boards**; helping them manage budgets, board dynamics, and ensure their events and activities were organised.

#### Vice Treasurer

- My role was to ensure the **€500,000+ budget** was well spent and realistically budgeted, keeping in mind sustainability, practicality and effectiveness.

#### Festival and Tournament Organiser

- **Festival:** I was chair of the nine *Dormfest* team organisers, leading board meetings, heading logistics and the general execution of the event which had 1,300 students attending.
- **Tournament:** Organiser for a University Colleges of the Netherlands Sports and Cultural tournament which 1,200 students from all over the Netherlands attended

#### Sustainability Commision Coordinator

- Responsible for improving the sustainability of the university and student association.

## PROJECTS

### Small Business - Corset Belts

- **2024-PRESENT** Devon, UK

After making a boned corset belt for my own graduation outfit, I started a business making and selling them online and in local shops.

### Small Business - Hot Food Delivery

- **2020-2022** Devon, UK

*Menu on the Move* - Co-founded a catering business during lockdown - producing organic, meals, baked goods, and commissioned cakes, delivered to clients in local communities.

### Building a Bowtop Caravan

- **2014-2016** Devon, UK

Built a full size, 4 berth, Bowtop caravan **aged 14**. Ply-wood arched roof, fully insulated with natural materials and painted bright red!

### Event Photography

- **2019-PRESENT** Oxford, UK

Oxford University Creative Careers night.

# QUALIFICATIONS

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## AMSTERDAM UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

**2021 - 2024** Amsterdam, NL

- Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Bachelor of Arts
- Graduated with Honours

## OXFORD BROOKES UNIVERSITY

**2019 - 2020** Oxford, UK

- Art and Design Foundation
- Graduated with Distinction

## SOUTH DEVON STEINER SCHOOL

**2011 - 2019** Devon, UK

- New Zealand Certificate of Steiner Education (NZCSE) with University Entrance

NZCSEs:

- Level 3 | 2019 : **EXCELLENCE**
- Level 2 | 2018 : **EXCELLENCE**
- Level 1 | 2017 : **EXCELLENCE**

GCSEs:

- English: **8**
- Maths: **7**
- German: **A**

## DE ZONNEWIJZER WALDORF SCHOOL

**2009 - 2011** Leuven, Belgium

## IMHOFF WALDORF SCHOOL

**2007 - 2009** Cape Town, South Africa

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