

Melissa Charles

director/choreographer

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Regional

Next to Normal	Choreographer	Heritage Theatre Festival
The Master & Margarita	Choreographer	Live Arts
Red	Choreographer	Heritage Theatre Festival
Songs for a New World	Director/Choreographer	Union Street Theatre
Smokey Joe's Cafe	Director/Choreographer	Union Street Theatre
Grease	Director/Choreographer	Union Street Theatre
Once on This Island, Jr.	Director/Choreographer	Union Street Theatre
Annie	Director/Choreographer	Carrington Pavilion
High School Musical	Director/Choreographer	Carrington Pavilion
Alice in Wonderland, Jr.	Director/Choreographer	North Theatre
Annie	Assistant Choreographer	Surflight Theatre
A Funny Thing Happened...Forum	Choreographer	Heritage Repertory Theatre
The Taffetas	Choreographer	Heritage Repertory Theatre
Best of Broadway	Director	Union Street Theatre
Sleeping Beauty	Director	Union Street Theatre
Willy Wonka	Director/Choreographer	Union Street Theatre
Camp Rock	Consulting Director	Union Street Theatre
Love is in the Air	Director/Choreographer	Mt. Hermon Courtyard
Winnie the Pooh, Kids	Director/Choreographer	Union Street Theatre

Educational (selected)

Aida	Choreographer	Charlottesville High School
The Drowsy Chaperone	Choreographer	Tandem Friends School
The Journey of the Noble Gnarble	Director/Choreographer	Peabody School
Alice in Wonderland, Jr.	Director/Choreographer	Peabody School
You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown	Choreographer	Tandem Friends School
This Property is Condemned	Director	Tandem Friends School
Spamalot	Choreographer	Tandem Friends School
Peter Pan	Choreographer	Tandem Friends School
Hairspray	Choreographer	George Washington High School
Into the Woods	Choreographer	University of Virginia
Rivers Run Deep	Choreographer	University of Virginia
Gypsy	Choreographer	University of Virginia
Joseph...Dreamcoat	Choreographer	University of Virginia
Chicago	Assistant Choreographer	University of Virginia
The Jungle Book, Kids	Director/Choreographer	Peabody School
Little Red Riding Hood	Director	Peabody School
Recess	Consulting Director	Mt. Vernon/Carlisle School
Superhero Temp Agency	Consulting Director	St. Luke's UMC
Magic in Me	Director/Choreographer	Danville Community College

DMR Adventures

Annie, Jr.	Director	Tandem Friends School
Once on This Island, Jr.	Director	Peabody School/MTA Conference
The Grunch	Director/Choreographer	Peabody School
Gleeked Out	Consulting Director/Choreographer	Peabody School
Broadway Baby (x3)	Producer/Choreographer	Peabody School/Chautauqua Institution
Into the Woods, Jr.	Director/Choreographer	Junior Theater Festival/Burnley Moran
Winnie the Pooh, Kids	Director	Burnley Moran
Cinderella, Kids	Director/Choreographer	Fry's Spring Beach Club
Willy Wonka, Kids	Director/Choreographer	Fry's Spring Beach Club
Godspell, Jr.	Director/Choreographer	Danville Museum of Fine Arts & History
The Jungle Book, Kids	Director/Choreographer	Danville Community Market

Teaching Experience

Guest Artist:	International Thespian Festival, Galileo High School, Charlottesville High School, Salvation Army, Barrett Early Learning Center, Danville Parks & Recreation
University of Virginia:	Assistant, Musical Theatre Dance
Lighthouse Studios:	On Camera Acting/Filmmaking Camp
Live Arts:	Teen Scene Study, Story Circus, Audition Technique, Page to Stage
Hollywood Theatre Lab:	Acting, Musical Theatre
Chautauqua Institution:	Acting Up, Broadway Baby, Broadway Bound (2014-present)
Union Street Theatre:	Education Director and Teaching Artist (2011-2013)
DMR Adventures:	Education Director and Teaching Artist (2009-present)
Peabody School:	Drama Teacher (K-5 & Middle School Elective (2013-present)

Artistic Leadership

Co-Chair, Theatre for Youth, Virginia Theatre Association (current position)
Founder/Artistic Director, DMR Adventures (2009-present)
Producer, Broadway & Beyond Cabaret Series (2014-present)
Producer, Broadway Masterclass Series (2009-present)
Director, *The Dream Team & DMR All Stars
Director, **The Junior Theatre Company of Union Street Theatre
Founder & Artistic Director, ***Union Street Theatre (2011-2013)
Co-Founder & Artistic Director, Broadway Adventure (2009-2011)
Vice President, Danville Area Association for the Arts & Humanities (2009-2011)
Creator & Coordinator, Art on Main & the Green Art Collaboration (2010, 2011)

Education

BA, Drama: University of Virginia
Certificate, Non-Profit Management: Duke University

Awards/Recognition

- * *Excellence in Ensemble Work*, Junior Theater Festival, 2015
- ** *Excellence in Acting*, Junior Theater Festival, 2013
- *** *Dedicated Commitment and Service to Historic and Cultural Preservation and Development in Downtown Danville*, Danville Historical Society