# Mary Kuhn

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## Education

#### 2026

MFA Candidate in Dance, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX A three-year program. Curriculum Included: Dance Composition I, II, & III, Theory of Dance, Dance Pedagogy in Higher Education, Research Methods, Dance and Integrated Technology, Professional Issues, Ballet technique, Modern technique, Seminar in Dance Production, and Independent Study. Faculty Included: Jennifer Pontius, Dionne Noble, Andrew Noble, Adele Nickle, &

## 2022

## BA in Dance, Dean College, Franklin, MA

Francisco Graciano.

A four-year program. Curriculum Included: Technique classes in Ballet, Modern, Jazz, Tap, and Hip Hop; Discipline and Profession of Dance, Rhythmic Analysis, Dance Composition I, Dance History I & II, Improvisation, & Pilates. Faculty Included: Kristina Berger, Todd Shanks, Jeremy Ruth Howes, Kim Sedlak, Stephan Ursprung, Jill Silverman, Roshni Pecora, Sheramy Keegan-Turcotte, Dina Ternullo Melley

## AS in Health Science, Dean College, Franklin, MA

A two-year program. Curriculum Included: Human Anatomy & Physiology I & II, Musculoskeletal Anatomy, Chemistry I & II, Microbiology, Applied Kinesiology, Ethics, General Psychology, Intro Statistics, Precalculus II, & Molecular Genetics. Faculty Included: Dr. Dawn Poirier, Patricia Crowley

# **Teaching Experience**

## 2025 - Present

**Graduate Teacher Assistant/ Professor of Record,** Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX

Graduate Assistantship with the Dance Department. Teacher of record for Jazz I and II for non-majors. Rehearsal Director for the guest artist, Paul Singh, in the faculty concert. In charge of coordinating monthly Masters of Dance Meetings and Department Major Meetings. Guest taught dance composition as well as various modern, jazz, and ballet technique classes.

## 2024 - 2025

**Graduate Assistant,** Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX Teaching Assistantship with the Dance Department. Graduate Assistant to a professor for an academic course titled Dance & Popular Culture for Bronte Hopkins and Hannah Mettler. In charge of coordinating monthly Masters of Dance Meetings and Department Major Meetings. Guest taught various modern technique classes.

#### 2023 - 2024

**Substitute Teacher,** Hamshire-Fannett ISD, Hamshire, TX Maintained day-to-day classroom management and discipline to promote learning initiatives. Managed classroom behavior effectively, implementing clear expectations and consistent consequences for all students. Assisted in creating a safe and nurturing classroom environment that promoted emotion well-being and academic growth for all students.

## 2021 - 2022

**Strength & Conditioning Assistant Coach Intern,** Dean College, Franklin, MA Strength and Conditioning Assistant Coach Intern. Facilitated communication between athletes, coaches, and support staff to promote a cohesive environment. Maintained detailed records of each athlete's progress throughout the internship. Monitored athlete performance during workouts, making adjustments as needed to optimize results.

#### 2015 - 2018

## Dance Teaching Assistant, City Dance Center, Beaumont, TX

Provided constructive feedback to students, fostering growth in their technical ability and confidence. Motivated students by setting realistic goals and celebrating achievements throughout their dance journey.

# **Choreographic Experience**

## 2025 **Music Collaboration**

Duet performed and co-choreographed with Trinity Pringle

Music: carTogRAPh by Andy Akinho Performed by Josha Chuwang Performed at Sam Houston State University, Montague Dance Theater & Payne Concert Hall

# Necessary Strain

Masters of Dance Graduate Student Concert

Quartet: BFA students from Sam Houston State University

Music: Hrungnir Danheim Lighting: Kyle Rucking

Performed at Sam Houston State University

#### **Drifting Teather**

Masters of Dance Graduate Student Concert

Group work for 12 dancers: BFA students from Sam Houston State University

Music: Ocean Waves Lighting: Kyle Rucker

Performed at Sam Houston State University

## 2024 Groove Surge

Masters of Dance Graduate Student Concert

Large group work for 20 dancers: MFA and BFA students from Sam Houston State

University

Music: Mistaken ft. Steve Davit

Lighting: Kyle Rucker

Performed at Sam Houston State University

#### Retract

Masters of Dance Graduate Student Concert

Quartet performed and co-choreographed with Sannah Ijames: BFA students from Sam

Houston State University Music: Hosea by Apparat Lighting: Bryan Ealey

Performed at Sam Houston State University

## 2022 Werrk Related

Dance Senior Showcase, Main Stage Theater

Group work of 7 dancers: BFA and BA students from Dean College Music: Drumming Circle by Professor Trance and The Energizers

Lighting: Jim Beauregard

Performed at Dean College Main Stage

## **Chromatic Hardrive**

Co-choreographed with Peter Mansfield

New Dancer's Showcase, Main Stage Theater

Group work of 7 dancers: BFA and BA students from Dean College

Music Deep Inside by Hardrive Lighting by Jim Beauregard

Performed at Dean College Main Stage

## **Performance Experience**

## 2025 Everst

Choreographed by Sheena Kapila

Master of Fine Arts Thesis Concert, Montague Dance Theater

Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX

## In the Streets

Choreographed by Paige Hall & Trinity Pringle Performed at Sam Houston State University

## 2024 Landfall

Choreographed by Dionne Noble

Dance Spectrum in Concert, Montague Dance Theater

Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX

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Choreographed by Guest Artist Jeremy Guyton

Dance Spectrum in Concert, Montague Dance Theater

Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX

#### Bluff

Choreographed by Jules Devine

Senior Studio BFA Capstone Concert, Montague Dance Theater

Sam Houston State University

## **Angel of my Dreams**

Choreographed by Andrew Robert Smith

Masters of Dance Graduate Student Concert, Montague Dance Theater

Sam Houston State University

## NobleMotion Summer Accelerate Program

Choreographed in Collaboration by Andrew and Dionne Noble, Colette Kerwick,

Evelyn Toh, LaRodney Freeman, Lauren Serrano & Tyler Orcutt

Performed at Midtown Arts & Theater Complex Houston, Houston, TX

## WHERE'D ALL THE TIME GO?

Choreographed by Caitlyn Cork

Senior Studio BFA Capstone Concert, Montague Dance Theater

Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX; Matchbox Theater for Mind the Gap,

Midtown Arts & Theater Complex Houston, Houston, TX

## Take Me with You

Choreographed by Abby Vasquez

Senior Studio BFA Capstone Concert, Montague Dance Theater

Performed at Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX

#### Retract

Co-Choreographed and Performed with MFA Candidate Savannah Ijames Masters of Dance Graduate Student Concert, Montague Dance Theater Performed at Sam Houston State University, Huntsville

## 2022 Meeting Request

Choreographed by Todd Shanks Faculty Dance Company, Main Stage Theater Dean College, Franklin, MA

#### This Bitter Earth

Choreographed by Samantha DiRienzo Choreographers' Concert, Main Stage Theater Dean College, Franklin, MA

## Me in 20 Years

Choreographed by Samantha DiRienzo Dance Senior Showcase, Main Stage Theater Dean College, Franklin, MA

## The Inevitable

Choreographed by Celeste Kling Dance Senior Showcase Dean College, Franklin, MA

## Paranoia

Choreographed by Lindsey Kelleher Choreographers' Concert, Main Stage Theater Dean College, Franklin, MA

## **Final Chapter**

Choreographed by Sarah Finamore & Kassi Weston Dance Senior Showcase, Main Stage Theater Dean College, Franklin, MA

## 2020 I Miss You

Choreographed by Marissa Moniz

UDA New England Regionals; UDA New England Nationals (2020)

## **Micheal Mix**

Choreographed by Marissa Moniz & Emma Wilson UDA New England Regionals; UDA New England Nationals

## 2019 Get on Your Feet

Choreographed by Steven Sontag

UDA New England Regionals; UDA New England Nationals

## Dance Like Me

Choreographed by Steven Sontag

Halftime Performance

Longley Field, Dean College, Franklin, MA

## **How it Ends**

Choreographed by Jenna Mae Mixner

UDA New England Regionals; UDA New England Nationals

## 1975

Choreographed by Tiffany Paris

Choreographers' Concert, Main stage Theater

Dean College, Franklin, MA

## Crashed

Choreographed by Liza Collns-Schrader

Project Green Concert, Guidry Center

Dean College, Franklin, MA

## Come back to Earth

Choreographed by Marua Lennon

Project Green Concert, Guidry Center

Dean College, Franklin, MA

## 2018 We Can't Wait for Tomorrow

Choreographed by Todd Shanks

Dance Company Faculty Concert, Main Stage Theater

Dean College, Franklin, MA

## **MILLENNIALS**

Choreographed by Jared Rivers

Dance Company Faculty Concert, Main Stage Theater

Dean College, Franklin, MA

## I Know

Choreographed by Alexis Schallenburg

New Dancer Showcase, Main Stage Theater

Dean College, Franklin, MA

## **Bad Romance**

Choreographed by Mark Townsend

New Dancer Showcase, Main Stage Theater

Dean College, Franklin, MA

## Look Up Child

Choreographed by Liza Collins-Schrader

Collaborative Showcase, Guidry Center

Dean College Franklin, MA

## **Lights Will Guide You**

Choreographed by Bettina Mahoney

New Dancer Showcase

Dean College, Franklin, MA

## Higher

Choreographed by Destiney Lenling

Collaborative Showcase, Guidrey Center

Dean College, Franklin, MA

## Fix You

Choreographed by Leslie Fitzpatrick

Arts Mosaic Concert, Guidry Center

Dean College, Franklin, MA

## 2018 & 2019 New England Patriots Opener

Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, MA

## 2015 & 2016 Houston Rockets Opener

Choreographed by Lindsey Grande

Toyota Center, Houston, TX

# **Repertoire Experience**

2025 Space Man

Excerpt from "A Field of Grass" Choreographed by Paul Taylor

Performed at Paul Taylor Dance Intensive, Huntsville, TX

2024 **Dust** 

Excerpt from "Dust"

Choreographed by Paul Taylor

Performed at Paul Taylor Dance Intensive, Huntsville, TX

# **Dance Film Experience**

2024 A Child at Play

6 dancers: BFA students from Sam Houston State University & an eight-year-old Music: Escape to Solitude by Melodrama, Waltz by Fabrizio Paterlini, Luminary by

Joel Sunny

Premiered at Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX

Retract

Solo: BFA student from Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX

Music: Hosea by Apparat

Premiered at Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX

2021 Letters

Videoed and Choreographed by Sydney Arentsen & Lindsey Kelleher Music: Spoken word from BA and BFA students from Dean College

Premiered at Dean College, Franklin, MA

# Leadership Experience

2025 – Present Concert Director, Masters of Dance Organization, Sam Houston State University,

Huntsville, TX

Duties relating to our organization's bi-annual concert & Non-Majors' Showcase: moderating auditions, preparing audition documents such as numbers and availability forms, overseeing the casting process and studio rehearsal bookings, creating a show performance order, and delegating assignments/deadlines such as

poster design, program creation, and press release.

2024-2025 **President,** Masters of Dance Organization, Sam Houston State University,

Huntsville, TX

Duties include organizing projects and events, holding monthly meetings, managing social media accounts, campaigning and selling the organization, applying for grants

or funding from student affairs, involving the organization campus-wide,

maintaining a positive relationship with the undergraduate students, and delegating

BFA audition assignments.