

[Caroline Butcher](#), MFA

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

<b>M.F.A.</b>	Dance Department of Theatre & Dance University of Colorado, Boulder Ethnic Studies Graduate Certificate Hip-hop Studies Certificate Certificate in College Teaching M.F.A. Project Title: “Always/Already: An Impossible Task”	2023
<b>B.A.</b>	Dance Department of Dance Minor: Psychology Writing Fellow Eastern University, St. Davids, PA	2012

RESEARCH/TEACHING INTERESTS

Critical Race Theory; Embodied Social Justice; Critical Pedagogy; Embodied Knowledge and Histories; Collaborative Compositional Strategies; Critical Dance History; Movement Technique (Hip-hop, Jazz, Musical Theater, Contemporary); Critical Awareness of Positionality; Relationality; Endurance in Discomfort; Survival Strategies.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

<b>2025</b>	Front Range Community College Department of Humanities and Fine Art Part Time Instructor Course Taught: Dance History
<b>2024</b>	University of Colorado, Boulder Department of Theatre & Dance Temporary Instructor Course Taught: Development of American Musical Theatre

**2020-2023** University of Colorado, Boulder  
Department of Theatre & Dance  
Graduate Part Time Instructor  
Teaching Assistant  
Lead Graduate Student Fellow, Center for Teaching and Learning  
Courses Taught: Beginning Contemporary Dance, Beginning Jazz Dance,  
Beginning Jazz Dance with Experience, Dance in Popular Culture and Media,  
Hip-hop History (TA), Dance in Cultural Perception and Expression (TA)

**2014-2019** Eastern University  
Dance Department  
Adjunct Professor  
Student Advisor  
Administrative Assistant  
Courses Taught: Introduction to Dance Studies, Fitness Through Ballet, Liturgical  
Dance History, Dance Repertory

### **ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**2025-Present** Graduate Program Assistant  
Department of Anthropology  
University of Colorado, Boulder

**2024-Present** Youth and Adult Recreation Instructor  
City of Boulder  
Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Contemporary, Hip-hop

**2025** Teaching Artist  
Denver North High School  
Dance and Human Movement

**2024-2025** Citywide Arts & PE Events Coordinator  
Denver Public Schools

**2024** Active Adult Program Dance Instructor  
City of Lakewood  
Musical Theatre

**2023** Teaching Artist  
Rocky Mountain Theatre for Kids, Actors Academy for the Performing Arts  
Dance for Musical Theatre Majors

**2014-2019** Teaching Artist, Teaching Artist Liaison  
Dancing Classrooms Philly  
Ballroom Dance

## COMPANY EXPERIENCE

- 2012-2019** Senior Company Member  
DanceFusion, Philadelphia, PA
- 2012-2019** Company Member  
SHARP Dance Company, Philadelphia, PA

## CHOREOGRAPHIC EXPERIENCE

- 2026** *Strip Mall Movements* (Contemporary), in collaboration with Anna Pillot, Boulder Arts Week, Boulder, CO; performer
- A Disaster in 2 Parts* (Contemporary), in collaboration with Anna Pillot, City of Boulder Arts Blueprint Launch, Boulder, CO; performer
- 2025** *Pavlova with Lemon Curd* (Contemporary, Aerial), in collaboration with the Artistic Direction and Vision of Anna Pillot, The ATLAS Institute, University of Colorado, Boulder; performer
- 2025** *A Disaster in 2 Parts* (Contemporary), in collaboration with Anna Pillot, The Mariposa Collective, Boulder, CO; performer
- 2024** *Somebody Clap* (Contemporary), in Collaboration with Anna Pillot, American College Dance Association Regional Conference, Meredith College, Raleigh, NC; performer
- Somebody Clap* (Contemporary), in Collaboration with Anna Pillot, Keshet Center for the Arts, Albuquerque, NM; performer
- 2023-2024** *Standing Small* (Contemporary, Dance for Film), Featured film in the Art, Activism, & the Engaged Humanities Event Series, Department of Writing and Rhetoric, University of Colorado, Boulder; performer
- 2023** *The Rocky Horror Show* (Musical Theater), Reel Kids, Boulder, CO
- 2023** *Right Now / Ready* (Aerial Dance), in collaboration with the Artistic Direction and Vision of Anna Pillot, Prague Quadrennial; performer
- My Dear Friend and Collaborator* (Contemporary), in collaboration with Anna Pillot, University of Colorado, Boulder; performer
- 2022** *Always/Already* (Musical Theater), MFA Thesis, University of Colorado, Boulder; performer

*Standing Small* (Contemporary), University of Colorado, Boulder; performer

*Inbalance/Imbalance* (Aerial Dance), in collaboration with the Artistic Direction and Vision of Anna Pillot, The ATLAS Institute, University of Colorado, Boulder; performer

**2021** *Perspectives* (Contemporary), in collaboration with Anna Pillot, University of Colorado, Boulder; performer

*It's Just a Stupid Dance* (Contemporary), University of Colorado, Boulder; performer

**2020** *À la Jeanine Durning* (Contemporary), University of Colorado, Boulder; performer

**2019** *Into the Woods* (Musical Theater), Eastern University, St. Davids, PA

*A Year with Frog and Toad KIDS* (Musical Theater), WOLF Performing Arts Center, Bryn Mawr PA

*Getting to Know...Footloose* (Musical Theater), WOLF Performing Arts Center, Bryn Mawr, PA

*Guys and Dolls Jr.* (Musical Theater), WOLF Performing Arts Center, Bryn Mawr, PA

*Once on This Island* (Musical Theater), Lower Moreland Highschool, Huntingdon Valley, PA

**2018** *Aladdin* (Musical Theater), Keith Valley Middle School, Horsham, PA  
*Fractured/Whole* (Contemporary), Eastern University, St. Davids, PA

*Surrendered...?* (Contemporary), Eastern University, St. Davids, PA

*Not With Uncertainty* (Contemporary), Eastern University, St. Davids, PA; performer

*Not With Uncertainty* (Contemporary), SHARP Dance Company, Philadelphia, PA; performer

*The Sound of Music* (Musial Theater), Lower Moreland High School, Huntingdon Valley, PA

*Cinderella* (Musical Theater) Keith Valley Middle School, Horsham, PA

*High School Musical Jr.* (Musical Theater), Creative Arts Summer Theater, Clementon, NJ

**2017** *Uninterrupted* (Contemporary), ACDA Adjudicated Concert, University of Maryland, College Park, MD

*Legally Blonde* (Musical Theater), Lower Moreland High School, Huntingdon Valley, PA

*The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* (Musical Theater), Horsham, PA

*The Wizard of Oz* (Musical Theater), Creative Arts Summer Theater, Clementon, NJ

**2016** *Uninterrupted* (Contemporary), Eastern University, St. Davids, PA

*Into the Woods* (Musical Theater), Lower Moreland High School, Huntingdon Valley, PA

*Lion King Jr.* (Musical Theater), Keith Valley Middle School, Horsham, PA

*Seussical Jr.* (Musical Theater), Creative Arts Summer Theater, Clementon, NJ

**2015** *The Little Mermaid Jr.* (Musical Theater), Creative Arts Summer Theater, Clementon, NJ

*Thoroughly Modern Millie* (Musical Theater), Delaware County Christian High School, Newton Square, PA

**2014** *Music Man Jr.* (Musical Theater), Creative Arts Summer Theater, Clementon, NJ

*Seussical* (Musical Theater), Delaware County Christian High School, Newton Square, PA

**2012** *Stripped* (Contemporary), Freedom Theatre, Philadelphia, PA; performer

*Not With Uncertainty* (Contemporary), Eastern University, St. Davids, PA; performer

**2011** *Stripped* (Contemporary), ACDA Adjudicated and Gala Concerts, Muhlenberg College, Allentown, PA; performer

**2010** *Stripped* (Contemporary), Eastern University, St. Davids, PA; performer

## ADDITIONAL PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

- 2026** *Can Can* (Commercial Jazz); Jessica Page, Dance Art Media, Denver, CO
- 2025** *Holiday Parade and Performance Circuit* (Commercial Jazz); Jessica Page, Dance Art Media, Denver, CO
- 2025** *Global Water Dances* (Contemporary); Maren Waldman and dancers, Longmont, CO
- 2025** *Beethoven Blues* (Contemporary); Nancy Smith, Whitney Moore, Laurel Johnson, Frequent Flyers Aerial Dance, Boulder, CO
- Grief Forgiveness* (Hip-hop); Larry Southall, University of Colorado, Boulder
- 2024** *Holiday Parade and Performance Circuit* (Commercial Jazz); Jessica Page, Dance Art Media, Littleton, CO
- ManningCast the Musical!* (Musical Theatre); Bud Coleman and Marla Schulz, Omaha Productions, Denver, CO
- P.E.A.C.E. Positive Energy Activates Constant Elevation* (Hip-hop); Larry Southall, University of Colorado, Boulder
- The Anthem* (Hip-hop); Larry Southall, University of Colorado, Boulder
- 2023** *Que Será, Será [muy complicated]* (Contemporary); Kate Gomez Moore, MFA Thesis, University of Colorado, Boulder
- One or two of those dances from Latin America* (Contemporary); Kate Gomez Moore, University of Colorado, Boulder
- Maize C(raze)* (Contemporary, Dance for film); Alston Tyndall, University of Colorado, Boulder
- Civility, Where'd It Go* (Hip-hop), Larry Southall, University of Colorado, Boulder
- Apocalypse Practice* (Contemporary), Miguel Gutierrez, University of Colorado, Boulder
- HBIC [Hot Bitch & the Irresistible Condiments]* (Contemporary), Anna Pillot, University of Colorado, Boulder
- 2022** *WE ARE FUN: A Study in Randomization and Minimalism as a Conduit for Fun* (Contemporary), Kate Gomez Moore, University of Colorado, Boulder

*The March* (excerpt from *Let 'im Move You: This Is a Formation*),  
(Contemporary), jumatatu m. poe with material created by Jermone Donte  
Beacham, University of Colorado, Boulder

*Techniques for Possession: Becoming Hole* (Contemporary), Madison Palffy, The  
Spark, Boulder, CO

**2013** *Evol* (Contemporary), Scott Park, Performance Garage, Philadelphia, PA

*What Escapes?* (Contemporary), Liz Lyle, Koresh Dance Company, Philadelphia,  
PA

**2012** *What Escapes?* (Contemporary), Liz Lyle, Allentown Brewworks, Allentown, PA;  
Chi Movement Arts Center, Philadelphia, PA

*What Encounters?* (Contemporary), Liz Lyle, Mandell Theater, Philadelphia, PA;  
Community Education Center, Philadelphia, PA

*Undercurrents* (Contemporary), Stephen Welsh, Performance Garage,  
Philadelphia, PA

*Tickle Me Grey* (Contemporary), Tess Stumpf, The Prince Music Theater  
Independence Black Box, Philadelphia, PA

*The Gjeilo Project* (Contemporary), Jillian Harris, Temple Performing Arts  
Center, Philadelphia, PA

*Rain Celebration* (Contemporary), Patricia Scott Hobbs, Freedom Theatre,  
Philadelphia, PA

## **LECTURES/CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS**

**2024** Boulder Start-Up Week  
Co-Presenter with Anna Pillot  
Session Title: "Fueling Innovation Through Collaborative Creation"  
Boulder, CO

Department of Theatre & Dance  
University of Colorado, Boulder  
Guest Teaching Artist  
Beginning Contemporary Dance

Annual Conference of the School of Performing Arts, University of Malta  
Presenter  
Session Title: "Impossible Tasks as a Means to Possibility"

Valetta, Malta

American College Dance Association  
Presenter  
Intermediate/Advanced Contemporary Dance  
Meredith College  
Raleigh, NC

American College Dance Association  
Presenter  
Session Title: "Jazz Through the 20<sup>th</sup> Century"  
Meredith College  
Raleigh, NC

American College Dance Association  
Co-Presenter with Anna Pillot  
Session Title: "Collaborative Choreography: Making (making) Fun"  
Meredith College  
Raleigh, NC

Keshet Makers Experience  
Guest Artist and Co-Presenter with Anna Pillot  
Session Title: "Collaborative Choreography: Making (making) Fun"  
Keshet Center for the Arts  
Albuquerque, NM

**2023**

Department of Theatre & Dance  
University of Colorado, Boulder  
Guest Teaching Artist  
Intermediate/Advanced Contemporary Dance

Department of Theatre & Dance  
University of Colorado, Boulder  
Guest Teaching Artist  
Beginning Ballet

National Dance Education Organization Conference  
Presenter  
Session Title: "Embracing Conflict Through Dance Education"  
Denver, CO

**2022**

Department of Theatre & Dance  
University of Colorado, Boulder  
Guest Lecturer  
Session Title: "Jazz Does Not Equal Musical Theater"

Development of American Musical Theater

Department of Theatre & Dance  
University of Colorado, Boulder  
Guest Teaching Artist  
Intermediate/Advanced Contemporary Dance

Department of Theatre & Dance  
University of Colorado, Boulder  
Guest Co-Facilitator with Jessica Bertram  
Session Title: “Radical Reimagining Workshop Series”

**2021** Center for Teaching and Learning Workshop Series  
University of Colorado, Boulder  
Co-Facilitator  
Session Title: “The Four C’s: Compassion, Creativity, Competence, and Confidence in the Classroom”

Center for Teaching and Learning Workshop Series  
University of Colorado, Boulder  
Co-Facilitator  
Session Title: “Silly Strategies: Cultivating Communal Wellness in the Classroom”

### **AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**

**2026** *Strip Mall Movements*: “Top 5 Must See Performances”  
Boulder Arts Week  
Boulder, CO

**2024** Professional Development Scholarship  
National Dance Education Organization  
Silver Spring, MD

Small Faculty Grant  
Center for the Humanities and the Arts  
University of Colorado, Boulder

Professional Development Scholarship Grant  
Boulder Arts Commission  
Boulder, CO

**2023** Teaching Excellence Award  
Graduate and Professional Student Government  
University of Colorado, Boulder

Best Should Teach Award  
Center for Teaching and Learning  
University of Colorado Boulder

Nominee – Graduate Part Time Instructor Teaching Recognition Award  
Graduate School  
University of Colorado Boulder

Graduate Research in Dance Grant  
Department of Theatre & Dance  
University of Colorado, Boulder

MFA Excellence in Research Grant  
Center for the Humanities and the Arts  
University of Colorado, Boulder

Program Support Grant  
Department of Theatre & Dance  
University of Colorado, Boulder

**2022**

Best Should Teach Award  
Center for Teaching and Learning  
University of Colorado, Boulder

Graduate Research in Dance Grant  
Department of Theatre & Dance  
University of Colorado, Boulder

MFA Excellence in Research Grant  
Center for the Humanities and the Arts  
University of Colorado, Boulder

Program Support Grant  
Department of Theatre & Dance  
University of Colorado, Boulder

Domestic Travel Grant  
Graduate School  
University of Colorado, Boulder

## **SERVICE**

**2026-Present** Ambassador Writer, “Behind the Performance”  
Presenting Denver

- 2024** Proposal Review Committee  
National Dance Education Organization
- 2023** Artistic Director; Director of Logistics  
Grad. Tour Outreach Program  
University of Colorado, Boulder
- Teaching Artist  
Elementary Arts Lab  
University of Colorado, Boulder
- 2022** Adjudicator  
Open Space  
Department of Theatre & Dance  
University of Colorado, Boulder
- Co Lighting Designer; Lightboard Board Operator  
MFA Showcase  
Department of Theatre & Dance  
University of Colorado, Boulder
- 2021** Helms Arts and Sciences Building Re-Design Committee  
College of the Arts and Sciences  
University of Colorado, Boulder
- 2018** Co-coordinator and Dance Workshop Facilitator  
Touch The World Missions  
Havana, Cuba
- 2012** Youth Recreational Leader  
Hope Community Church  
Montevideo, Uruguay
- 2011** After School Activities Coordinator  
CUBE: Centro Una Brisa de Esperanza  
Cochabamba, Bolivia
- 2010** Summer Leadership Intern  
Hope Community Church  
Detroit, MI

### **RESIDENCIES, INTENSIVES, TRAININGS**

- 2025** Teaching Musical Theatre Dance Forms: A Historiographical Approach  
National Dance Education Organization  
Online Professional Development Institute

- 2025** Boulder Ballet Dance Direct: Space Residency Program  
Boulder Ballet  
Boulder, CO
- 2024** “Uprooted” Teachers Workshop  
Uprooted Jazz Dance Education  
New York City, NY
- Keshet Makers Experience  
Keshet Center for the Arts  
Albuquerque, NM
- 2022** Summer Leadership Institute  
Urban Bush Women  
New York City, NY
- Desert Mountain Retreat Artists Residency  
Art & Soul Residences, John and Souheir Rawlings  
Truth or Consequences, NM
- THINK GRAVITY-DANCE TANK  
Anya Cloud, Karen Schaffman, Ishmael Houston-Jones, Karen Nelson, Darrell Jones, Makisig Akin, jose e. abad, Ryuta Iwashita, elle hong, Eryn Rosenthal, Jun Akiyama  
University of Colorado, Boulder
- Rennie Harris University Winter Cypher Intensive  
Rennie Harris, Larry Southall, Constance Harris, Leigh Foad, Paula Webster, Brandyn Scott Harris, Emily Pietruszka, Olivia Whitmer, Jackie Lopez-Foad  
University of Colorado, Boulder
- 2021** Bates Dance Festival  
Tania Isaac, Kendra Portier, Emily Johnson, Claudia Lavista, Scotty Hardwig, Albert Mathias, Miguel Gutierrez, Ishmael Houston-Jones