

## **Danielle Fitzpatrick, MA BC-DMT**

### *CURRICULUM VITAE*

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### *CAREER FOCUS*

Dance/Movement Therapist and Arts Educator with a strong commitment to fostering the joy of movement in people of all ages and abilities, with a particular focus on early childhood initiatives and elder/dementia care. Skilled in leading dance/movement therapy groups with a focus on enhancing awareness of and appreciation for our bodies as a means of expression and connection. Passion for introducing youth to the transformative powers of the creative and performing arts.

### *CERTIFICATION*

Board Certified Dance Movement Therapist  
American Dance Therapy Association

### *EDUCATION*

#### **Antioch University New England, Keene, NH**

1999

MA in Dance Movement Therapy with a Certificate in Counseling

Dance/Movement Therapy internship at Maplewood Nursing Home, a large county-operated nursing home in Westmoreland, NH.

Counseling Internship at Wediko Children's Services, a therapeutic residential school for boys struggling with complex psychiatric, emotional and behavioral issues in Hillsborough, NH.

Practica with young children and their caregivers; nursing facility with elderly.

#### **University of Massachusetts at Amherst, Amherst, MA**

1996

BA in Psychology

Phi Beta Kappa, Scholarship recipient

Involvement in multiple dance and movement-based community organizations, with a focus on social and cultural dance.

### *TEACHING EXPERIENCE*

#### **Adjunct Faculty, Antioch University New England, Keene, NH**

2015-present

Instructor, Applied Psychology Department

Taught DMT Practicum I & II, and Group Work with DMT and Counseling at the graduate level.

Led full-day DMT experiential workshop at the DMT Summer Intensives.

Provided supervision, support and guidance to DMT interns at multiple sites.

#### **MoCo Arts, Keene NH**

1998-present

Director of Young Arts

Developed and implemented curricula in dance, theater and expressive arts for children ages 18 months through 8 years old at an inclusive non-profit arts education center.

Teach weekly dance and theater classes and camps for toddlers/caregivers, preschoolers and early elementary youth, as well as outreach programs to underserved youth in the community.

Member of senior management team, responsible for budgeting, managing staff and overall program development for all Young Arts classes, camps and performances.

**New Hampshire Dance Institute, Keene, NH**

2008-present

Teaching Artist

Teaching NDI-based dance curriculum in dance fundamentals and choreography in public elementary and middle schools in the Monadnock Region, culminating in a live performance.

**Adjunct Faculty, Springfield College, Springfield, MA**

Spring 2013, 2015

Instructor, Dance Department

Developed and taught Introduction to Dance/Movement and Somatic Movement Therapies course at the undergraduate level.

*CLINICAL EXPERIENCE*

**Self Employed, Dance Movement Therapist**

1999 - present

Specializing in connecting with elders with dementia through nonverbal channels to enhance their quality of life and foster their continued sense of self and connection with others. Led dance movement therapy groups of diverse populations in varied settings, including, but not limited to the following:

Maplewood Nursing Home, Westmoreland, NH

1999-present

Weekly dance movement therapy sessions to address the physical, social, cognitive and psychological needs of residents in a 150 bed county nursing home.

In-services offered include Cultural Humility, Introduction to DMT and Art as Assessment.

Supervise DMT practica and internship students at the site.

Cedarcrest Center for Children with Disabilities, Keene, NH

2015-present

Monthly dance movement therapy sessions in a nursing facility for children.

Woodward Home, Keene, NH

2012-2016

Monthly dance movement therapy sessions in a small private nursing facility.

Crotched Mountain, Greenfield, NH

2005-2007

Initiated adaptive dance program at facility serving youth with disabilities.

RiverMead Lifecare Community, Peterborough, NH

2005-2007

Monthly dance movement therapy sessions in a private retirement center.

*PROFESSIONAL SERVICE*

Member, Committee on Approval, American Dance Therapy Association

2017-present