TRACEY BONNER

Professional Summary

A data-driven authentic leader, administrator, and academic with 15+ experience in artistic producing, presenting, and programming, front-facing patron engagement, empowering customers through relationship-driven sales, and fundraising. I am inherently curious with a blend of leadership, high interpersonal & team management/building skills, ethnographic research & publication, and educational program development & implementation, specifically in theatre and dance. I strive for detailed documentation with accountability and goal setting as a focus.

Professional Achievements

POLICY, PROCEDURE, & DATA DRIVEN DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION

Defined **dynamic data strategy** to support programming and patron engagement Initiated **automated systems** (ticketing, financial reconciliation, reporting, etc.) for demographic data collection, resident company reconciliation, and patron behavior data collection

Established standard operating procedures, where previously none were present, including:

- Training, onboarding, departmental defined labor protocols, & workload division
- Facility management, safety/security systems, ADA compliance protocols
- Delivery of technologies, eliciting efficient functionality of box office, theatre/front of house, retail, remote call center, and volunteer management

Amplified clear team expectations, accountability, and collaboration to achieve goals and objectives

CUSTOMER SERVICE FACILITATION & MANAGEMENT:

Lead a **22-person customer service team**, overseeing in-person and phone-based interactions for ticket purchases, dinner reservations, and various customer inquiries

Revamped remote call center operations for ticket purchases to enhance efficiency and elevate customer satisfaction levels

Delivered exceptional customer service to a diverse clientele, including B2B partners, industry professionals, and patrons across multiple performance venues at an 11.8 million dollar organization

THEATRE/FRONT OF HOUSE MANAGEMENT

Oversight, staffing, and supervision of theatre/front-of-house staff and interns for 3 performance spaces Spearheaded the redesign of theatre/front of house management ensuring:

- On-time performances 20% decrease in show delays, 10% increase in customer satisfaction
- Created an evergreen ticket template for physical and e-ticket delivery
- Redefined **house loading procedure**, utilizing all entrances effectively and efficiently.

Stabilized dynamic team environment, elevating overall patron engagement

BOX OFFICE/CRM/TICKETING MANAGEMENT

Established a dynamic pricing model; 30% increased revenue in single ticket sales in member pre-sale Originated a new ticketing policy for inclement weather for outdoor spaces - Rain or Shine/Shine Only Formulated evergreen ticket design for all venues with desired entrance/exits and safety considerations

FRONTLINE FUNDRAISING

Strategic redesign for donors from \$250-\$25,000, including updated donor benefit program Development of a strategic frontline mid-level giving program - updated donor experiences Elicited gifts in 5 figures in first six months as a gift officer, and was promoted to Major Giving Awarded grants for strategic educational projects, investments, and artistic endeavors \$75,000 and up Certified in 'The Veritus Way' fundraising model, with private one-on-one coaching

ACCESSIBILITY, SAFETY, SECURITY, FACILITY MANAGEMENT Safety, Security, Emergency, and Accessibility Officer in collaboration with the Director of Facilities Training with Kinetic Light, a disability arts ensemble, assessing campus accessibility needs ALICE Trained BUDGET & PROJECT MANAGEMENT A strategic proposal for the **development of full-time staff expansion in 2025** - was not adopted Reconciliation of resident company retail sales, ensuring on-time final payments and restocking Managing and projecting a \$250,000 budget for the Patron Services Department EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT Promoted from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor with Tenure through the traditional model -Associate Professor of Dance/Director of Dance Increased BFA dance enrollment by 450%, box office revenue by 170% over five years Conceived, collaborated, and implemented various programs regarding DEI initiatives as Co-Chair of the Inclusive Excellence Committee (5-year participation, 4-year leadership) Chartered, implemented, staffed, and facilitated SOTA Dance Institute (SDI); a 3-day on-site dance training immersive experience, as a recruitment tool for incoming dance students Curated/Produced dance residencies, concerts, films, BFA program auditions, choreography, and direction for multiple theatrical productions, and collaboration with other campus departments Authored a new academic curriculum in dance performance and dance education Transformed a conventional dance program in a regional university to financial self-sustainment SKILLS Competencies: Executive Communication, Business process improvement, Competitive intelligence & research, Organizational development, complex problem solving, Customer Services Management, long-range planning, radio communication Software: Tessitura CRM (ticketing, data collection, and season building), MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, Google Suite, Slack, Asana, Adobe Creative Suite, Al, Canva Soft Skills: Systematic/analytic approach, ethical, team member, dedicated, decision making, ability to collaborate, driven, empathic, innovative, responsive, multi-tasking, strong time management, active listening, complex problem solver Social Media Platforms: including Flipgrid, Instagram, Twitter, Facebook, TikTok **WORK HISTORY** PATRON SERVICES CONSULTANT, SWEIBEL ARTS, NEW YORK, NY August 2024 – present DIRECTOR OF PATRON SERVICES, JACOB'S PILLOW, BECKET, MA March 2023 – July 2024 DIRECTOR OF DONOR RELATIONS, DAYTON PERFORMING ARTS ALLIANCE, DAYTON OH April 2022 – February 2023 ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR & BFA DANCE COORDINATOR, NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY, HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, KY August 2014 – July 2022 **EDUCATION** Master of Fine Arts, University of California, Irvine Summa Cum Laude (3.8) BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS, SHENANDOAH CONSERVATORY OF SHENANDOAH UNIVERSITY Симме Laude (3.52)