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## Choreographic Credits

- **'Les Misérables'** – Youth Project – Feb 2024
- Youth project – The Wycombe Swan
- Choreographer/ Movement Director
- Director – Dan Cowtan
- Musical Director – Sara Lawson
  
- **'London Portraits'** – World Premiere - November 2023
- Collaboration with Constella music
- A New Opera – Ballet
- Performance - Sadlers Wells
- Composer – Leo Geyer
- Soprano – Sofia Kirwan – Baez
- Pianist – Hamish Brown
  
- **'West Side Story'** – Immersive Production – August 2023
- Champney's Spa's
- Vivo D'Arte Production
- Choreographer
- Director – Dan Cowtan
- Musical Director – Sara Lawson
  
- **'Little Ships'** – A new musical May 2023
- Premiered Barnfield Theatre Exeter
- Choreographer/ Movement Director
- Producer Danny Mcavoy
- Director - Amber Buttery
- Musical Director – Duncan Riches
  
- **'Growing Old'** – (2022)
- A new dance work
- Writer, Choreographer & Director
- A Wellcome trust funded research project in collaboration with Liverpool John Moores University, about maturing in The Soviet Union between 1945-1991
- Themes include healthcare, mental health, societal attitudes to ageing/older people and generational relationships.
- Live performance at 'The Unity Theatre' in Liverpool and Film screening at FACT cinema – Liverpool
- Composer - Tom Haines
  
- **'S I C K'** - Phase 3 – (2021)
- R&D funded by Arts Council England -
- Choreographer/Artistic Director
- Location: London

- **‘Searching for Dottore’** – (2021)
- Short Film
- Choreographer/Movement director
- Director - Rahel T Yohannes
- Location: Rome
  
- **‘The Company’**- (2021)
- Touring new work ‘The 8<sup>th</sup>’
- Aiming to shift perception and the ideals of womanhood into the 21<sup>st</sup> century
- Artistic director
  
- **‘Troika’** – (2021)
- R & D
- Bringing together circus & dance
- Location: National Circus space London
- Choreographer
- Director Rishi Trikar
  
- **‘S I C K’** - Phase 2 (2021)
- R&D
- Funded by Arts council England
- Documentary & Live performance livestreamed through One Dance UK
- Choreographer/Artistic Director
- Film maker Liam Hall
- Location: London
  
- **‘S I C K’**- phase 1 (2020)
- Supported by Slough Borough Council
- Choreographer/Artistic Director
- Location: The Place London
  
- **Move it** – (2019)
- Location: London Excel
- Wonder Woman/ Paradise Island
- Featuring Natasha Ghouri (Love Island)
- Co – Choreographer with Joshua Pilmore.
  
- **Institute of the Arts of Barcelona (IAB)** – (2018)
- Commissioned to choreograph Final Show pieces
- Guest Choreographer.
- Location: Barcelona
  
- **‘Snow Patrol’ ‘Don’t Give in’**- (2018)
- Music Video
- Featured Taira Foo Dance Company
- Iron Age Productions
- Director Brett Simon
- Location: Manchester

- **'Flowers in December'**- (2018)
- Taira Foo Dance Co
- Choreographer/ Artistic Director
- Based on the refugee crisis in Syria
- Location: The Place London
  
- **Shanghai Spring Festival** – (2015/2016)
- Created Commercial Piece for Greenland investment Company London
- Choreographer/ Dancer
- Location: London/Shanghai
  
- **Peter Pan** – (2017)
- Pantomime
- Location: Harlequin Theatre - Redhill Surrey
- Paul Holman Associates
- Choreographer
- Director Diane Cooke
  
- **'Move it'** – (2017)
- Game of Thrones for Creative Academy
- Choreographer
- Location: London Excel
  
- **Will Cookson- 'In the Light of the Stars'** (2017)
- Music Video
- Choreographer
  
- **Cinderella** – (2016/2017)
- Pantomime
- Location: Riverfront Theatre- Newport
- Choreographer
- Director Colin Blumeneau
  
- **Performance Project** – (2016)
- Commissioned by The Creative Academy
- Director/ Choreographer
- Location: Slough
  
- **Jack & The Beanstalk** – (2014/2015)
- Pantomime - Riverfront Theatre- Newport
- Hiss & Boo Company
- Choreographer
- Director Colin Blumeneau
  
- **Dick Whittington** – (2013/2014)
- Pantomime

- Riverfront Theatre- Newport
  - Hiss & Boo Company
  - Choreographer -2013/14
  - Director Colin Blumeneau
- **Prisoner 466** – (2014)
  - Taira Foo Dance Co
  - R & D
  - Funded by The Arts Council
  - Artistic Director / Choreographer
  - A new work based on Nelson Mandela's 27yrs imprisonment
- **Rebel Without a Cause** - (2013)
  - Dance theatre project
  - Commissioned by The University of Cumbria
  - Artistic Director/ Choreographer
  - Working with 2<sup>nd</sup> year dance degree students
  - Location:Cumbria
- **The Flutes** - 'What is Love'- (2013)
  - Music Video
  - Choreographer
  - Director Mark Buchanan
  - Location: London
- **Rain Man** – (2013)
  - Taira Foo Dance Co
  - The Place London
  - Artistic Director/Choreographer
  - A dance theatre piece based on the award-winning film
- **Jack & The Beanstalk** – (2012/2013)
  - Pomegranate Theatre, Chesterfield
  - Choreographer
  - Director Colin Blumeneau
- **Undo** – (2012)
  - Short Film
  - San Francisco Dance Film Festival and New York dance for camera festival
  - Choreographer
  - Director Harry Amies
- **West End Medley** – (2012)
  - Sandhurst Festival
  - Indigo Blue Productions
  - Choreographer & Director
  - Location: Sandhurst

- **Chess** – (2012)
- Buckinghamshire college group
- Musical theatre degree students
- The Elgiva Theatre
- Choreographer.
  
- **The Soloist**
- Taira Foo Dance Co
- The Place London
- Artistic Director/Choreographer
- A piece based on the film
  
- **Bikini Ballet Ident** – (2012)
- Choreographer
- Director Harry Amies
  
- **Cabaret** – (2011)
- Buckinghamshire College Group
- Musical Theatre degree students
- The Elgiva Theatre
- Choreographer
  
- **Jack & The Beanstalk** – (2009)
- Pantomime
- Aylesbury Civic
- Paul Holman Associates
- Choreographer
  
- **Jack & The Beanstalk** – (2008)
- Newark Palace-Paul Holman Associates
- Choreographer
- Director-Mark Piper
  
- **Jazzxchange Music & Dance co** – (2001)
- Royal Opera House
- Choreographer
- Sheron Wray
  
- **Janet Smith Dance Co** – (1996)
- Derby Playhouse
- Choreographer Janet Smith
  
- **Resident Choreographer**-(2006-2009)
- Footlights Youth Theatre

**Performance Experience**

- **Snow Patrol** – Don't give in' - (2018)
- Featured Performer
- Also featuring Taira Foo Dance Company
- Iron Age Productions
  
- **Shanghai Spring Festival** – (2015-2016)
- Commercial Piece for 'Greenland
- Choreographer & Dancer.
- London/ Shanghai
  
- **Grease** (The Musical)
- Cha Cha
- Location Larnaca - Cyprus
- Choreographer & Director - Mykal Rand
  
- **The Snowman** – (2004-2006)
- The Cat & Arab Snowman
- Peacock Theatre London / Birmingham
- Director / Choreographer - Robert North
  
- **Chicago** - (The Musical) – (2003)
- Go to Hell Kitty
- Lebanon/Balbeck Festival
- Director/ Choreographer - Mitch Sebastian
  
- **Fame** – (The Musical) – (2003)
- Ensemble
- Director/ Choreographer - Mitch Sebastian
  
- **We Will Rock You** – (The Musical) – (2002-2003)
- Original Cast - Ensemble
- Dominion Theatre
- Director Chris Renshaw
- Choreographer Arlene Philips
  
- **Royal Variety Performance** – (2001)
- Dominion Theatre- 2001
- Dancer for Vinnie Jones (Macavity)
- Choreographer Arlene Philips
  
- **Jazzxchange Music & Dance Company** – (2000)
- Dancer
- Jerwood Space
- Choreographer - Sheron Wray.
- **Rhythm in time** – March- April)
- Cambridge Theatre
- Choreographer Sheron Wray.

- **Red as Excepted** – (April 30-June 17)
- Jerwood space & Royal Opera House
- Choreographer Sheron Wray.
- **White Spirits** – (June 25 - July 6 )
- Riverside Studios
- Choreographer Sheron Wray
  
- **Costa Cruise Lines** – (1997-1998)
- Dancer
- East & West Caribbean
  
- **Orchestra 2000** – (1997)
- Featured solo Dancer – Flamenco
- Premiered - Liverpool Philharmonic & Royal Festival Hall
- Producer Bill Kenwright
- Choreographer Derek Hartley
  
- **Janet Smith Dance Co** – (1996)
- Dancer
- ‘Touching Zulu”
- Derby Playhouse
- Choreographer Janet Smith

### Television/Film Credits

Dancing on ice

Royal Variety Show

Michael Parkinson

Queens Jubilee-Party at the Palace Party in the Park-Princes Trust

The Electrical life of Louis Wain

Fast and Furious 10 (Fast X)

The Beekeeper

### Teaching Credits

- **Amersham & Wycombe College** – (2007-2012)
- Dance lecturer
- BTEC Dance, Musical theatre & Acting, Musical Theatre HND & Degree
  
- **Jackie Palmers** – (2012 – 2016)



- Dance Lecturer
- BTEC Musical theatre
  
- **The Creative Academy** – (2016 – 2021)
- Dance Lecturer
- Contemporary, musical theatre, Community dance, jazz, choreography.

### Guest Teacher

Bucks new university

Cumbria University

Chichester University

Institute of the Arts Barcelona

Platinum Performing Arts

Haringey Shed

Pineapple Dance Studios

Danceworks