Gabrielle Miller

HIGHLIGHTS

Talented and experienced educator with enthusiasm, a passion for the arts and inspiring students. She is an award-winning actress, filmmaker and producer. In addition to her educational, and screen/stage experience, she has owned her own bakery and a finalist on ABC Shark Tank with her t-shirt company, Wordnerd Apparel, LLC.

- Most Valuable Professor Award, SJU Men's Basketball Team 2022
- 9 Lives: chapter one, Short Film Wrote, Directed, Produced Award-winning Film Garnering over 30 awards
- Volunteer On-Air Reader, Jewish Guild for the Blind, NYC
- Volunteer, Children's Crisis Treatment Center, Philadelphia
- Volunteer, Idealist.org, NYC
- Intel Relief Center Volunteer Organizer, NYC, 9/11/01
- United States Army Commendation for Performance and Education

EDUCATION

University of Idaho, Master of Fine Arts Acting, Directing, Dance GPA: 4.00

Coursework: Acting on Camera, Directing for the Stage and Camera, Dialects, Alexander Technique, Musical Theatre, Voice and Movement, Shakespeare, Classical Theater, Modern Theatre, Ballet, Modern Dance, Jazz

Washington State University, Bachelor of Arts in Theatre Honors: Summa Cum Laude, Dean's List

Universiteit Utrecht, Utrecht, NL

Coursework: Netherlands Culture and Language, Theatre Arts, World History

East Carolina University, Professional Actors' Training Certification Meisner Studies

Coursework: Meisner Acting Intensive Training, Feldenkrais, Set Design, Directing for the Stage and Camera, Dialects, Alexander Technique, Musical Theatre, Voice and Movement, Modern Theatre, Modern Dance, Jazz

SELECT EXPERIENCE

Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia, PA 2010 – Present Adjunct Professor

• As part of a growing program I helped to create and launch the University's new Film Studies Major. Maintain a maximum course load for adjuncts, including teaching summer classes. Class sizes up to 43, lecturing on several topics of film studies, write syllabi and do grading for writing-intensive courses, which I developed per University requirements. Courses included: American Cinema, Great Directors, Great Performances, Women in Film, Comedy, and John Ford.

Perkiomen School, Pennsburg, PA 2019 – 2007, Director of Theatre

Managed and directed the theater programming and courses on a vibrant boarding school campus for all theater in grades
 6-12. Productions included *High School Musical, The Clumsy Custard Horror Show* and original student works.
 Overhauled the theater building including the lighting equipment, costume shops, and revamped the sound system.
 Dedicated faculty member responsible for student life and activities at a bustling boarding school. Taught 9th grade
 English and Composition courses.

Episcopal Academy, Merion, PA 2002 – 2007 Chair of Theatre

• Head of 6 member department with a spiraling Pre-K through 12th grade curriculum. Managed budget and theaters across two campuses. Directed and produced major productions in Upper School, produced over 30 productions each year. Courses included Acting, Directing, Theatre History, Film Appreciation, Playwriting. Productions included: *Metamorphoses, Oklahoma!, Guys and Dolls, Damn Yankees, As You Like It,* and *Bye Bye Birdie*. Worked with architects to design and build our dream theaters on a new campus.

Living Voices, Seattle, WA 1997 – Present Actress/Educator

• Touring a one-person drama throughout theaters, schools and museums across America and England • Historical plays and a film formatted to teach audiences about diversity and tolerance • After performances, lead discussions and answer complex historical questions, with audience groups up to two thousand • Lead workshops in devised and social drama after designated performances

QVC, West Chester, PA **2018 – Present** Brand Ambassador On-Air

• In-studio experience including main channel live cooking demonstrations with several sold out items. Filmmaker and Producer with an in-home studio equipped with a 4k camera, professional lighting and multiple settings including a new designer kitchen, large deck with an acre of gardens, 3 designer living areas, a home gym and more.

Feedback Highlights

"I wanted to send a quick email to you thanking you for this semester. This was a class that really excited me. I am very grateful I was able to take it, and meet you. You were an amazing professor, and I continue to hold an insane amount of gratitude in my heart for how understanding you were with me, and for checking in and making sure I was doing alright. Thanks again for an amazing semester."

"Thank you so much for such a great semester. It was a very difficult year for me but your class was a clear highlight. You made me fall in love with film again and I value your teachings a lot. You made class incredibly engaging and interesting, and I wish I didn't wait until my senior year to take Film because if I had taken it earlier I likely would have pursued a minor in film. I would also like to thank you for your continued understanding of me, and I want you to know how much I appreciate that. It was a very hard year for me but your continued support made it much more attainable. I feel as if you are a model of how a college class is taught and I hope you continue to keep up the good work."

"I just wanted to take the time to thank you for a great semester. I am so lucky to have had you as my professor. Above all, thank you for being so kind, caring and approachable and for always making film class fun. I looked forward to our class every day that we had it and am definitely going to miss it. I am really disappointed that I will not have you on my schedule next semester but I wish you all the best in your future endeavors."

"Hi Prof. Miller! I wanna take this chance to thank you. You made it the best class I have taken so far in college and I can't thank you enough for that. As a young adult who is struggling to find out what to do in his life, you may have just struck something in me on my film side. To say the least, you inspired me! Your hospitality and kindness were incredible and I knew from the first time you said "It could be the best day of your life" I was lucky to have you as my professor. I hope we can keep in touch through email if I ever have any questions about my movies or if you want to update me on yours. Thank you so much for everything and may God bless you!"

"I just wanted to reach out again and thank you so much for not only being one of the best professors this semester, but for making such a difficult time a little less stressful. I genuinely enjoyed coming to class each week. It was such a welcoming environment and it felt like for an hour and 15 minutes, I could be less stressed about other things going on in my life. You were always so positive and passionate about film, that it made me want to learn more. I appreciate everything you did for our class and I will remember it for the rest of my life. You made online learning as fun and as great as it possibly could be."

"I just wanted to reach out and thank you for all the kind words that you wrote on my final and the final projects leading up to the end of the semester. It is not often that I hear someone say they are proud of me so it really meant a lot to hear that from you. I enjoyed your class so much this semester and I meant to reach out sooner. I know a few of my things you have commented about me doing film or something of that sort and I wanted to tell you I am applying to grad school currently for digital design and technology so who knows where that could take me! Thank you again."

References:

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Rachael McClinton, Founder and Artistic Director, Living Voices, rmcclinton@livingvoices.org
Deron Albright, Film Studies, Saint Joseph's University, dalbrigh@sju.edu
Kelly Eviston-Quinnett, Chair Undergrad/Grad Theatre, University of Idaho, kellyq@uidaho.edu