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BRIEF BIO

Savannah S. Miller (she/her) is a queer and disabled writer, theatre artist, and converted Memphian. She was the inaugural Young Playwright in Process through Young Playwrights' Theater in Washington, D.C., as well as a two-time winner of the Eleanor Frost Playwriting Contest. Her works have been published or are forthcoming with Modern Language Studies, Millennial Pulp Literary Magazine, Flash Fiction Magazine, and others. She is the Director of New Works at Playhouse on the Square and a current MFA student at Augsburg University. Read more at savannahsmiller.com.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

A theatre artist, writer, and scholar interested in how the arts intersect both education and social justice. Holds professional experience in the arts education industry thanks to a position at the world's largest museum and education complex. A skilled leader and organizer devoted to prioritizing timeliness and developing new work that benefits underserved communities. Currently looking for graduate and professional opportunities related to theatre arts, activism, literature, and education.

EDUCATION

Master of Fine Arts (MFA) in Creative Writing
Augsburg University, Minneapolis, MN, *Anticipated August 2025*
Focus in Fiction

Bachelor of Arts (AB) in Theater
Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH June 2021
Summa cum laude
Phi Beta Kappa
4.0 major GPA; 3.96 GPA overall
Minors in English and Russian
Rufus Choate Scholar 2017-2018, 2018-2019, and 2020-2021

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Girls on the Run Memphis, Memphis, TN – Since 2024
Program Manager

Spearheaded the implementation of an international curriculum at twelve sites across the Memphis-area. Promoted a program focusing on developing young folks' confidence and social-emotional skills through physical activity and teamwork.

Center for Healthcare Improvement and Patient Simulation, Memphis, TN – Since 2023

Simulated Patient

Assumed the roles of a medical patient for nurses and doctors in training. Enabled students to practice their bedside and examination manner before entering the world as medical professionals.

Playhouse On the Square, Memphis, TN – Since 2022

Director of New Works

Front of House/Administration

Volunteer Coordinator

Represented a theatrical organization to funders and patrons. Learned the business of running a dramatic operation. Developed social media posts, drafted press releases, and updated a company website. Spearheaded a new play competition receiving hundreds of submissions from over the world.

West Trade Review, Charlotte, NC – 2022

Fiction Reader

Read stories for a growing literary journal. Contributed to well-rounded issues of a book containing poetry, fiction, and art.

Young Hot & Modern, New York City, NY – 2022

Staff Writer

Wrote stories catering to young adult women in the fields of voice and style.

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools, Charlotte, NC – 2021-2022

Middle Grades English Language Arts Teacher

Taught 7th grade English at Ranson IB Middle School. Developed lesson plans that incorporated the arts into the classroom. Encouraged literacy.

Women's Theatre Festival, Raleigh, NC – 2021

College Apprentice

Contributed to an organization dedicated to rectifying gender disparity onstage.

Smithsonian Associates, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC – 2019

Discovery Theater Fall Intern

Created performances and programs for arts educators and students in the D.C. area. Contributed dramaturgically and administratively to a theater for young audiences. Wrote curricula and learning objectives based on standards of learning for three states. Interacted with teachers and represented a governmental institution to visitors, guests, and audience-goers.

Stratford Festival, Residency at Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH – 2018
Experiential Learning Fellow

Observed the residency of the Stratford Festival's production of *Coriolanus*. Attended workshops given by visiting artists in arts management.

New York Theatre Workshop, Residency at Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH – 2018

Student Intern, 2019

Stage Management Intern, 2018

Ensured the successful presentation of new works by artists based in New York and Baltimore. Served in many capacities related to stage management, acting, production, and dramaturgy. Facilitated the development of a new musical work *We Live in Cairo*, which moved on to the American Repertory Theater in Boston.

Virginia Theatre Association, Norfolk, VA – 2017

Management Intern at the High School Theatre Festival

Part of the management team planning, designing, and facilitating the annual High School Theatre Festival. Instrumental to overseeing guest artist workshops and collecting data. Communicated with guest speakers, competing schools, and visiting artists. Representative for VTA and the interests of Theatre Arts Education in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Augsburg University Department of Religion and Philosophy – 2024

Professor Shayna Sheinfeld

Identified examples of misogyny in pre-Hellenistic and Hellenistic texts describing Julia Berenice, daughter of Herod Agrippa. Demonstrated how public opinion of Berenice was reflected in surviving texts that detail her three marriages and association with Roman Emperor Titus.

WORKING WRITER & THEATRE ARTIST

Playwriting

The Death of Alan Campbell: A Wilde Affair, Live Arts, March 2024

*Finalist, 2024 Waterworks Festival

The Delta Pumpkin Pi Philanthropy Talent Show, LoneTree Live, June 2023

***Produced** as a part of a 24-hour playwriting festival

The House, Young Playwrights' Theater, February and May 2021

***Produced** as a staged reading

*Winner, Young Playwrights in Process 2020-2021

Jane, Dartmouth College, May 2021

***Produced** as a honors thesis staged reading

Tell Me I'm Not, Dartmouth College, November 2020

***Produced** as a film through the Department of Theater

Little Circles, Dartmouth College, August 2020

***Produced** as a virtual staged reading due to pandemic by the Dartmouth College Department of Theater

*Winner, Eleanor Frost Playwriting Contest 2020

Trivia Champion, Dartmouth College, August 2019

***Produced** as a staged reading by the Dartmouth College Department of Theater and Office of Residential Education

The House, Dartmouth College, July 2018

***Produced** as a staged reading by the Dartmouth College Department of Theater

*Winner, Eleanor Frost Playwriting Contest 2018

Checkmate, Dartmouth College, November 2017

***Produced** as a staged reading by the Dartmouth College Department of Theater, Playwriting 1 course

Anna, Nansmond River High School, October 2016

***Produced** as a fully-staged production

*Presented at the Virginia Theatre Association High School Theatre Festival

**Received Best New One-Act Play, All-State Actress, Four (4) All-Star Casts, Judge's Award for Best Presentation of a New Play, and Honorable Mention Overall

Theatre/Acting

A Midsummer Night's Dream, *Helena*, Theatre Memphis, 2024

Theatre: A Love Story, *Actor Four*, Women's Theatre Festival, 2021

Faith, Hope, and Charity, *Irene Prantl*, Dartmouth College, 2020

Tell Me I'm Not, *Performer*, Dartmouth College, 2020

The Sweet Science of Bruising, Dir. Peter Hackett, *Emily*, Dartmouth College, 2020

Your Class, Your Words, *Performer*, Dartmouth College, 2020

A Chekhovian Cabaret, Dir. Billy Calder and Rebecca Strimaitis, *Popova*, Crash Theater Company, 2019

*Presented as a part of Vox Fest at Dartmouth College

Mr. Wolf, Dir. Adam Riegler, *Julie*, Dartmouth College, 2019

The Vagina Monologues, Dir. Kelleen Moriarty, *The Flood*, Dartmouth College, 2019

Tragedy; a tragedy, Dir. Owen O’Leary, *Constance at the Home*, Dartmouth College, 2018

The Houses with Ramps, Dir. Irma Mayorga, *Eleanor/Welfare Agent/Doctor/Lawyer/Ensemble Member*, Dartmouth College, 2018

1984, Dir. Peter Hackett, *Person of Oceania/Prisoner*, Dartmouth College, 2018

Stage Management

Ain’t Misbehavin., Theatre Memphis, *upcoming* 2025

*Assistant Stage Manager

Roe, Dir. Irene Crist, Playhouse on the Square, 2023, *Regional Premiere*

*Assistant Stage Manager

All Together Now!, Dir. Titus Quinn, Rock Hill Theatre, 2021

*Stage Manager

Dartmouth Idol, Dir. Walt Cunningham, Dartmouth College, 2020

*Stage Manager

A dramatic monologue, Dir. Ayad Akhtar, New York Theatre Workshop, 2019

*Assistant Stage Manager

*Residency at Dartmouth College

We Live In Cairo, Dir. Taibi Magar, New York Theatre Workshop, 2018

*Assistant Stage Manager

*Residency at Dartmouth College

Cabaret, Dir. Carol Dunne, Dartmouth College, 2017

*Assistant Stage Manager

Direction

Ballad of a Very Glorious Leader, *Director*, 24 Hour Plays: Memphis, LoneTree Live, 2024

Money Issues, *Director*; Play Slam! Year 5, 10-Minute Young Playwrights Festival, Staged Reading, 2023

Dennis Roy, *Director*; Play Slam! Year 5, 10-Minute Young Playwrights Festival, Staged Reading, 2023

Anxious, *Director*; Play Slam! Year 5, 10-Minute Young Playwrights Festival, Staged Reading, 2023

Clementine, *Director*; Play Slam! Year 5, 10-Minute Young Playwrights Festival, Staged Reading, 2023

Natasha, Pierre & the Great Comet of 1812, *Dramaturg/Assistant Director*, Dir. Dave Landis, Playhouse on the Square, 2023, *Regional Premiere*

Dramaturgy

Six Men Dressed Like Joseph Stalin, *Dramaturg*, Dir. Tony Isbell, Playhouse on the Square, 2025

Natasha, Pierre & the Great Comet of 1812, *Dramaturg*, Dir. Dave Landis, Playhouse on the Square, 2023

The Seven Year Disappear, *Dramaturgical Assistant*, Dir. Carolyn Cantor, New York Theatre Workshop, 2019

Other Production Work

Hamlet, Dir. Stephanie Shine, Tennessee Shakespeare Company, 2024

*House Manager

The Bowels, Dir. Kaycee Swierc, Women's Theatre Festival, 2021

*Captioner

Dr. Superman, Dir. Jamie Horton, Dartmouth College, 2019

*Sound Designer

Into the Woods, Dir. Kieth Coughlin, Dartmouth College, 2019

*Lightboard Operator

Hair, Dir. Virginia Ogden, Dartmouth College, 2018

*Wardrobe/Costume

Published Poetry

"In County Clare" *Watershed Review*, *forthcoming* 2024

"Cereal Dater," *Millennial Pulp Literary Magazine*, *forthcoming* Fall 2024

"Down," *Modern Language Studies*, Fall 2024

"Record Low Mississippi River," *Modern Language Studies*, Fall 2024

"In Delphi," *Audience Askew Literary Journal*, Summer 2024

"Runner's High," *Rising Phoenix Press*, Summer 2024

"Compulsive," *Moonstone Press*, Spring 2024

"unnamed," *Gabby & Min's Literary Review*, Spring 2024

"In Tennessee, Pt. II," *The Dead Mule School of Southern Literature*, Spring 2024

"853 Haiku," *Sierra Club, North Star Chapter*, Winter 2024

"Rinse Cycle," *One-Sentence Poems, Ambidextrous Bloodhound Press*, Fall 2023

"Fragile," *Sad Girls Club*, Spring 2023

"Hunger," *Silent Spark Press*, Fall 2022

"Vanilla Latte," *One-Sentence Poems, Ambidextrous Bloodhound Press*, Winter 2022

Published Fiction

"When the Streetlamps Are On," *Jelly Bucket*, Summer 2024

"The Three Days Fast," *Flash Fiction Magazine*, Winter 2024

"Blue Lagoon Baby," *Papers Publishing*, Fall 2023

"92," *Future Publishing House*, Winter 2022

Published Dramaturgical Research

Continuing at Playhouse: Natasha, Pierre & the Great Comet of 1812, StoryBoard Memphis, dramaturgical note, Spring 2023

Playhouse Prep, Playhouse on the Square, dramaturgical accompaniment, July 2022-June 2023

Dramaturgical Note: Victorian Women Writers, *The Sweet Science of Bruising* Play Program, Dartmouth College, Winter 2020

Journalism

- Moving Made Easy: 7 Tips to Save Time and Money, *Young Hot & Modern*, Summer 2023
- Hobbies You Should Try Next Based on Your Enneagram, *Young Hot & Modern*, Summer 2023
- Review: 'Little Women' remains relevant, fails to meet hype--*The Dartmouth*, Winter 2020
- Review: "The Bachelorette" finale ends on a problematic note--*The Dartmouth*, Summer 2019
- Review: "Ma" fails to be a horror film, let alone a good horror film--*The Dartmouth*, Summer 2019
- Green Key delivers diverse set of headliners--*The Dartmouth*, Spring 2019
- Review: Michael Myers deserves more in the new "Halloween"--*The Dartmouth*, Fall 2018
- Review: Paul McCartney's "Egypt Station" is nostalgic and relevant--*The Dartmouth*, Fall 2018
- Seven films to be featured in Telluride at Dartmouth's 33rd year--*The Dartmouth*, Fall 2018
- 'Citrus,' a compelling choreopoem, celebrates black women--*The Dartmouth*, Spring 2018
- Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain delivers covers and comedy--*The Dartmouth*, Spring 2018
- Daymé Arocena's energizing show celebrates Cuban history--*The Dartmouth*, Spring 2018
- Gob Squad's "War and Peace" is bizarre, political, relevant--*The Dartmouth*, Spring 2018
- Inside the design decisions of Dartmouth's rebranding--*The Dartmouth*, Spring 2018
- Dartmouth Idol Finals take place tonight at the Hop--*The Dartmouth*, Winter 2018
- 'The Vagina Monologues' to feature theatrical activism in 20th production--*The Dartmouth*, Winter 2018
- Stephanie Everett '19 has work produced at Northern Stage--*The Dartmouth*, Winter 2018
- 'Moonlight' filmmaker Barry Jenkins to speak at the College--*The Dartmouth*, Winter 2018
- Hanover's Howe Library hosts 21st year of Ciné Salon Program--*The Dartmouth*, Winter 2018
- Roomful of Teeth to premiere new work at tonight's concert--*The Dartmouth*, Winter 2018
- Che 'Rhymefest' Smith visits campus, hosts workshop this week--*The Dartmouth*, Fall 2017
- 'Dawson City: Frozen Time' at Loew Auditorium tonight--*The Dartmouth*, Fall 2017

Northern Stage puts on "A Doll's House" starring alumni--*The Dartmouth*, Fall 2017

The Dodecaphonics' new EP features new and 'iconic' pieces--*The Dartmouth*, Fall 2017

WORKSHOPS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Fiction, Stephan Clark, Augsburg University, 2024

Courageous Communication: Confronting Tough Topics with Care and Confidence, Deborah Pleva, Girls on the Run Summit, 2024

Mission Possible: Using Mission Advancement Markers to Achieve Goals, Jackie O'Hara and McKenna Olson, Girls on the Run Summit, 2024

Presentations, Panels, and Public Speaking, Deborah Pleva, Girls on the Run Summit, 2024

Fiction, Lindsay Starck, Augsburg University, 2023

Short Story, Frederic Tuten, Southampton Writers Conference, 2022

Devised Theatre, Quinn Bauriedel & Pig Iron Theatre Co., 2020

Dance Theatre, John Heginbotham & Dance Theatre of Harlem, 2020

Stage Combat, Stratford Festival, 2018

Commercial Acting, Ken Lazer, 2016

CERTIFICATIONS

CPR/AED (October 2022 - October 2025)

Steward of Children, Memphis Child Advocacy Center (September 2022 - September 2025)

LEADERSHIP & ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

Rho Gamma, Inter-Sorority Council of Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH--Jan. 2021-Feb. 2021

Promoted a fair and welcoming sorority recruitment process. Oversaw the recruitment experiences of ten potential new members

Inclusivity Chair of Alpha Xi Delta, Hanover, NH--Sept. 2020-Mar. 2021

Promoted inclusivity within a female-dominated Greek space. Planned events facilitating conversations about diversity and equity.

Chimera Senior Society, Hanover, NH--May 2020-May 2021

President

Oversaw the functions and overarching programs of a semi-secret society at Dartmouth College.

Inter-Sorority Council of Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH--June 2019-Aug. 2019
Summer Inclusivity Chair

Promoted diversity and inclusion amongst eight female-dominated Greek spaces on campus. Planned a formal thrift store event to ease the financial burden of affiliation.

Dartmouth Residential Education, Hanover, NH--Sept. 2018-Mar. 2020

Undergraduate Advisor

Oversaw the safety of those within a living community. Spearheaded and facilitated different events for a personal floor and housing community.

Alpha Xi Delta Sorority, Theta Psi Chapter--Sept. 2018-June 2021

Inclusivity Chair, Activities Councilmember, and Social Planner

Organized events for a collegiate chapter of a national sorority. Facilitated community building amongst undergraduate members.

Thought Project Living Learning Community, Hanover, NH--Sept. 2018-June 2019

Marketing and Communications Student Leader

Publicized an organization devoted to debate, discussion, and philosophical thinking. Composed various posts on social media platforms to advertise the living learning community to students considering housing options.

Dartmouth Admissions Office, Hanover, NH--Mar. 2018-June 2021

Tour Guide

Introduced hundreds of visitors to one of the oldest colleges in the United States.

Dartmouth Student Wellness Center, Hanover, NH--Oct. 2017-June 2021

Sexual Health Peer Advisor

Educated the student body about healthy relationships. Facilitated discussions about campus environment and safety. Received training in conflict management and interacting with those of different backgrounds.

The Dartmouth, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH--Sept. 2017-June 2021

Arts Section Editor and Staff Writer

Planned articles for the arts section of a daily college newspaper. Interviewed Dartmouth professors and students, college visitors, and artists and wrote articles highlighting different arts events on campus.

Hopkins Center for the Arts, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH--Sept. 2017-June 2018

Arts Ambassador

Represented the arts center to fellow students on campus. Contributed to an arts blog marketing different performances at a local arts institution.

HONORS & AWARDS

20<30 , Memphis Flyer <i>Recipient</i>	Jan. 2024
Phi Beta Kappa , Alpha of New Hampshire <i>Member</i>	Jun. 2021
Warner Bentley & Henry B. Williams Fellowship , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH <i>Department of Theater</i>	Apr. 2021
Benjamin & Edna Ehrlich Prize in the Dramatic Arts , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH <i>Department of Theater</i>	Apr. 2021
Young Playwright in Process , Young Playwrights' Theater, Washington, D.C.	Aug. 2020
Gamma Sigma Alpha , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH <i>Honor Society</i>	Aug. 2020
Eleanor Frost Playwriting Contest Winner , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH <i>Department of Theater</i>	Apr. 2020
Robert H. Nutt '49 Award , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH <i>Department of Theater</i>	Mar. 2020
Phi Beta Kappa Sophomore Prize , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH	Oct. 2019
Rufus Choate Scholar 2018-2019 School Year , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH	Jun. 2019
National Essay Contest Bronze Medalist <i>American Council of Teachers of Russian</i>	Apr. 2019
Rufus Choate Scholar 2017-2018 School Year , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH	Jun. 2018
Eleanor Frost Playwriting Contest Winner , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH <i>Department of Theater</i>	Apr. 2018

GRANTS & FUNDS RECEIVED

Inclusion Excellence Scholarship , Augsburg University, Minneapolis, MN	Aug. 2023
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Dartmouth General Fellowship , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH <i>Richard Crawford Campbell, Jr., 1921 Memorial Fund</i>	May 2023
Segal AmeriCorps Education Award , AmeriCorps	Jun. 2022
Eric Y. Eichler 1957 Scholarship Fund , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH	Aug. 2020
Goldner Mini-Fellowship , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH <i>Department of Theater</i>	Jan. 2020
Kingsdale Fund , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH <i>Department of Theater</i>	Dec. 2019
Student Experiential Learning Fund , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH <i>Center for Professional Development</i>	Aug. 2019
Eric Y. Eichler 1957 Scholarship Fund , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH	Aug. 2019
Class of 1928 Memorial Scholarship Fund , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH	May 2019
Ned Ferguson Endowment Scholarship , Suffolk Education Foundation, Suffolk, VA	June 2017
Suffolk Scholarship , S. Delois Mayes Foundation, Suffolk, VA	May 2017

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Volunteer, House of Mews *benefitting a local animal rescue and adoption center* – July 2022-October 2022
- Participant, Twilight 5k Run/Walk *benefitting Right Moves for Youth* – May 2022
- Student volunteer, 38th Annual Prouty *benefitting the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Norris Cotton Cancer Center* – July 12-14, 2019
- Coordinator and promoter, AmaXing Challenge *benefitting Listen in the Upper Valley* – April-May 2019
- Student volunteer, Dartmouth College Cupcake Wars *benefitting Women's Heart Health* – Nov. 2019
- Volunteer, Food Bank of Zuni *benefitting the Zuni community* – Sept. 2015-June 2021

LANGUAGES

English (fluent, native speaker), **Russian** (literary, some conversational), **Latin** (working literary proficiency), **Spanish** (current student, beginner)
