

Christopher Celiz

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CERTIFICATION

New York State Initial Certification, Instrumental Music (All Grades)

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Music, Music Education, December 2012
State University of New York at Fredonia
Major Instrument: Clarinet, Tenor Saxophone
Cum Laude
GPA: 3.6

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

PROFESSIONAL MUSICIAN and CLINICIAN, Saxophonist/Beatboxer/Conductor, Fall 2005-Present

- World Champion Beatboxer
- Cultivated a loyal social media following: Instagram: 15.8 Followers
- Utilized beatboxing with critically acclaimed theatre production "Lyrics from Lockdown" written by Bryonn Bain, executive producer Harry Belafonte
- Opened for Talib Kweli, Lupe Fiasco, Doug E. Fresh, De La Soul, Afrika Bambaataa, Rahzel
- Appeared and performed on NBC news, FOX 5, Teen Nick, Comedy Central, NY1, Revolt Television
- Produced and hosted monthly Beatbox Battles and workshops for the beatbox community

FOUNDER/ OPERATIONS MANAGER, Beatbox House LLC, Fall 2014-Present

- Established and cultivated a team of five of the most talented and diverse vocal talent in America
- Curated a successful and loyal social media presence (instagram: 58 K Followers, facebook: 28 K likes, youtube: 36 K subscribers)
- Collectively won national and international beatbox competitions as solo artists and as a team (American Beatbox Championships, World Beatbox Championships etc.)
- Worked and partnered with companies such as Viacom, Under Armor, McDonalds, Cafe Bustelo, Mountain Dew (corporate shows and commercials)
- Produced the 7th annual American Beatbox Championships
- Rebranding the artform of beatboxing

MUSIC TEACHER, Education Through Music, Elementary and Middle School, Fall 2014-Present

- Developed lesson plans utilizing Kodaly and Music Learning Theory methodologies
- Recorded weekly lessons for reflection and revision
- Implemented classroom and behavioral management skills
- Developed lesson plans catering to the musical needs of the students at both elementary and secondary level
- Created an annual district wide arts festival celebrating students achievements
- Implemented instrumental pedagogy by directing beginning strings at both elementary and secondary level
- Facilitated musicality course (theory and ear training) at the elementary and secondary level
- Used Skedula to enter grades every marking period

TEACHING ARTIST, B.E.A.T NYC, All Ages, Summer 2012-Present

- Lead inclusive classrooms for students at the LaVelle School for the Blind
- Lead sessions, lessons and workshops for inner city schools on cultural, musical and social



aspects of hip-hop culture

- Utilize beatboxing to communicate musical pedagogy (rhythm, tone, timbre etc.)
- Model proper pedagogical knowledge on beatboxing and beatbox culture
- Build confidence and self-esteem using beatboxing as a medium for self-expression

TECHNOLOGY SKILLS

MIDI sequencing
 Word Processing
 Finale and Sibelius

Lab Management
 Google Drive
 Social Media Marketing

Garageband
 I Movie
 Logic X

PERFORMANCE ACTIVITIES

The Beatbox House	Fredonia Wind Ensemble	The Fredonia Jazz Combo	Mid Atlantic collegiate Jazz Orchestra
Artist: Chris Celiz	Fredonia Symphony Orchestra	Much More Chill (Acapella)	York College Big Band
Professional Beatboxer	Three Man Ill (Band)	Graduation Recital	Freelance Sax/Clarinet Fredonia Latin Jazz Band
Fredonia Wind Symphony	Weapons of Jazz Big Band		

CAMPUS LEADERSHIP/ACTIVITIES

- President, Fredonia Jazz Workshop, State University of New York at Fredonia, Fall 2011-Spring 2012
- Director, Weapons of Jazz Big Band, State University of New York at Fredonia, Fall 2010-Spring 2012
- Co-Musical Director, Much More Chill (A Capella), State University of New York at Fredonia, Fall 2008-Fall 2011

REFERENCES

<p>Fabian "Farbeon" Saucedo</p> <p>Director of Hip-Hop Re:education Project Brooklyn, NY farbeon@reeducation.org 1646-552-9424</p>	<p>Megan Ferguson</p> <p>Event Coordinator Brooklyn, NY mferguson101215@gmail.com 973-22- 9035</p>	<p>Samuel Sellers</p> <p>Professor: Hip-hop Education @ New School Brooklyn, NY samuelsellers@gmail.com 646-733-8390</p>	<p>Mark Martin</p> <p>American Beatbox Champion and Owner of American Beatbox Denver, Colorado markmartincreative@gmail.com 860-543-3025</p>
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