

# Hannah Fenske

## Properties Master & Artisan

### CONTACT

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### EDUCATION

B.A. Studio Art (Sculpture)  
B.A. Theatre Arts (Technical)  
2014 – Magna Cum Laude

Western Washington University  
Bellingham, WA

### TRAINING & CERTIFICATIONS

- Firearms Safety for Stage (Jim Guy)
  - CPR & AED (Am. Heart Asssoc.)
    - Voice, piano, and dance
  - Valid WA driver's license

### SKILLS

- Crew management
  - Delegation
- Prop sourcing and shopping
- Found object prop fabrication
  - Mixed media sculpture
  - Upholstery
- Soft goods construction
  - Fine carpentry
- Sewing (hand, machine, serger)
- Painting (faux finish, fine art, scenic)
  - Foam carving
  - Set decoration
    - Drawing
  - Basic fabric dying
  - Simple electronics
- Basic Photoshop and graphics
- Microsoft Office and Outlook
  - Stage management
  - Art history

### EXPERIENCE

#### Seattle Opera (Seattle, WA)

**Props Master** – 2019-present

Developed several COVID safety procedures. Reworked numerous production processes for film, and for working on location. Building skills in maintaining continuity. Designed and realized a major storage infrastructure retrofit, creating a much safer and more accessible prop facility.

#### Self-Employed (Kirkland, WA)

**Freelance Artisan** – 2015-19

- Props Designer for Village Theatre KIDSTAGE Everett (*Chicago, Shrek the Musical Jr., Oliver!, The Addams Family*)
- Overhire Props Artisan at Seattle Opera, Village Theatre
- Stagehand with IATSE Local 15
- Custom upholstery services

#### The Santa Fe Opera (Santa Fe, NM)

**Prop Craftsperson** – 2016-18

Randy Lutz, Props Director

Head Craftsperson for *The Italian Girl in Algiers, Lucia di Lammermoor, and La Fanciulla del West*. Upholstered 53 side chairs in a collective three weeks, cast 500+ skulls and 200+ bones out of A/B foam for *Roméo et Juliette* dressing

#### Milwaukee Repertory Theater (Milwaukee, WI)

**Prop Crafts Artisan** – 2016-17

Jim Guy, Props Director

Developed skills in molding and casting, leatherworking, and simple electronics, completed extensive cleaning and reorganization work in prop storage facilities

#### Williamstown Theatre Festival (Williamstown, MA)

**Prop Crafts Artisan** – 2015

Kathryn Dunham, Props Director

Completed or delegated all prop craft tasks for five world premieres and two remounts, co-reupholstered a folding futon in two days, constructed a fully functional sink unit

### REFERENCES

**Jim Guy** – Props Director, Milwaukee Rep. Theater  
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**Kathryn Dunham** – Props Director, Williamstown Theatre Fest.  
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