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Training Background

2007 - Present	Regular circus skills training including aerial, acrobatics and Chinese pole
2010 - 2017	Various clowning workshops (Teachers include Sue Morrison, Daredevil Chicken Club, Fraser Hooper, Simon Edwards, Pablo Ibarluzea)
2011 - 2014	Weekly comdey improv sessions with <i>The Bold Ensemble</i>
2006 – 2016	Contemporary dance classes with Inma Moya Pavon (At irregular intervals)
April 2008	Professional Circus Training Course organized by <i>Tumble Circus</i> , funded by the Arts Council (4 weeks, main focus: aerial, acrobatics, performance)

Awards and Funding

2016	Circus Project Award, Arts Council Ireland
2015	Selected for the Irish N.E.S.T (New Emerging Street Talent) program
2015, 2014, 2012, 2011	Circus Travel and Training Award, Arts Council Ireland
2009	Circus Project Award, Arts Council Ireland

Performance and Teaching Background

2009 - present	Teaching aerial, Chinese pole and acrobatics (Once off workshops as well as regular classes)
2011 - present	Various corporate and festival performances on Chinese pole, aerial rope, silks and doubles trapeze
2013 - present	Solo street show on Chinese pole (Festivals include Western Australian Circus Festival, La rue est a Amiens Street Festival France, Imaginarius Portugal, Spraoi International Street Arts Festival, Out There Festival Great Yarmouth UK, Cork Midsummer Festival, Kilkenny Arts Festival)
2019	Rigger and Chinese pole performer as part of the 'Bridge' show (Imagineer Productions UK)
2008 - present	Performing a mix of contemporary & east African acrobatics with <i>Hakuna Matata</i>
2015 - 2016	Performing Chinese Pole in 'Circus Jukebox' as part of <i>Fanzini Productions</i> (Festivals include Performance Paderborn, Spraoi International Street Theatre Festival, Earagail Arts Festival, Ennis Street Festival)
2009 - 2016	Aerial & street theatre performances as part of <i>Sorcaluba</i>

Rigging Experience and Qualifications

2014 - present	Working as freelance entertainment and aerial rigger. (Companies include Roadrunner Rigging, Unusual Rigging, Newton's Ladder, Perth Fringe Festival, Western Australian Circus Festival, National Circus Festival Ireland, Glastonbury Festival, Circus Factory Cork)
Since 2018	National Rigging Certificate Uk (NRC) Level 2
2018	1 week stunt rigging course with Keir Beck (AP8 Actionpact)
2017	2 day Kinesys Motion Control Systems workshop (Automation)
2016	Industrial Rope Access (IRATA) Level 1 (expired)
2016	IPAF certificate 3 a) & b)

Skills

- Corde Lisse
- Doubles Trapeze, silks, straps
- Trick skipping
- Chinese Pole, flying pole
- Harness work including wall running
- Counterweighting
- Acrobalance
- Stilt walking