

# Madison J. Niness

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## Education:

Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove, PA Class of 2020  
Creative Writing & Theatre Performance Double Major GPA 3.830

## Experience:

*Susquehanna University Department of Theatre, Selinsgrove, Pa:*

### Actor

- *Pageant of Agitating Women*, Martha Coffin Wright/ Prison Matron January – February 2020
- *Bram Stoker's Dracula*, Mina Westerman September – November 2019
- *Much Ado About Nothing*, Borachio February – May 2019
- *Silent Sky*, Williamina Fleming January – March 2019
- *Macbeth*, Witch March – May 2018
- *Blue Stockings*, Miss Blake February – April 2018
- *The Mineola Twins*, Myra / Myrna December 2017 – March 2018
- *She Loves Me*, Ensemble September – November 2017
- *Dead Man's Cell Phone*, Other Woman / Stranger August – September 2017
- *Comedy of Errors*, Adrianna February – May 2017
- *Almost, Maine*, Glory / Hope January – March 2017

### Director

- *A Midsummer Night's Dream: An Audio Drama*, Co-Director January – May 2020
- *Carnality* September – December 2019
- *Much Ado About Nothing*, Co-Director February – May 2019
- *And Then There Were Less Than Before* September 2018
- *Caulfield* November 2017

### Patron Services Supervisor

August 2019 – May 2020

- Oversaw all Front of House, Publicity and Box Office company operations
- Managed interdepartmental communication to create poster and program layouts and designs
- Acted as assistant to the company manager
- Entrusted to create updated policy verbiage for department handbook

### Producer

November 2017 – October 2019

*24-Hour Play Festival*

- Co-Produced 3 Play Festivals from 2017-2019
- Held auditions, casted and scheduled rehearsals
- Facilitated rehearsal schedule

### Box Office Assistant Manager

August 2017 – May 2020

- Assisted Box Office Manager in day-to-day tasks
- Utilized Vendini Electronic Ticketing System
- Exhibited exceptional customer service skills

### Stage Manager

September 2018 – October 2019

- First Assistant Stage Manager, *Working* August – October 2019
- First Assistant Stage Manager, *Flint* November 2018
- Second Assistant Stage Manager, *Pippin* September – October 2018

**Assistant Scenic Designer**

August – October 2019

- Acted as assistant scenic designer to Asst. Prof. Caleb Stroman on *Working*
- Designed skyline footlights for set
- Assisted in design of *Working* letter flats

**Costume Shop Associate**

August 2017 – May 2018

- Assisted in the creation of costumes for both Main Stage and Second Stage shows
- Maintained existing wig stock organization and maintenance
- Acted as assistant to the Wardrobe Supervisor on the Wardrobe Crew of *Doubt* and *She Stoops to Conquer*

*People's Light Theatre, Malvern Pa:***Summer Blast Education Intern**

June – July 2018

- Assisted in the writing and production of the Summer Blast Youth play
- Led group in theatre related games and activities
- Cared for children ranging from ages 8 to 18

*Razrbar, Collegeville, Pa:***Front Desk Staff Member**

June 2019 – December 2019

- Operated barbershop duties including: scheduling, serving drinks, customer service and maintenance
- Responsible for opening and closing of shop; being entrusted with key access and open/close of register
- Assisted in facilitating transfer of operations and customer data from Millennium to Squire booking system

*Life's Patina, Malvern, Pa:***Volunteer**

June 2012 – Present

- Responsible for operating register, wrapping and bagging of purchased items and customer service
- Assisted in the creation of company verbiage for promotional and publicity purposes
- Conestoga High School Senior Internship Program

**Leadership & Involvement:**

- Susquehanna University Dean's List December 2016 – May 2020
- Alpha Psi Omega Theatre Honor Society President August 2019 – May 2020
- Alpha Psi Omega Theatre Honor Society Vice-President August 2018 – August 2019
- SU Shakespeare Club President August 2018 – August 2019
- Zeta Tau Alpha Director of Membership Enrichment August 2017 – August 2018
- Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society Member November 2016 – Present
- Published in the American Library of Poetry's book, *Talented* June 2012