MATTHEW VINCENT TAYLOR

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EDUCATION

Middle Tennessee State University — *Murfreesboro, TN*

M.A., Liberal Arts — In Progress, 2026

National Society of Leadership and Success (Sigma Alpha Pi)

New York University, Steinhardt — *New York, NY*

Graduate Study, Ballet Pedagogy — 2025

12 credits completed

New York University, Tisch School of the Arts — *New York, NY*

B.F.A., Dance — 2018

Scholarships: $54,000 Merit Scholarship; $10,000 NYCDA College Scholarship Foundation; AGBU Performing Arts Scholarship

- Teaching Assistant to Joy Kellman (2016–2017): supported instruction, demonstrated classroom exercises, and studied contemporary partnering pedagogy.

Franklin Classical School — *Franklin, TN*

High School Diploma, Digital Arts and Design — 2015

EVENT, MEDIA, LEADERSHIP & CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

The F.art Company

Founder / Artistic Director — Nonprofit Arts Organization | 2018–Present

- Formalized through Fractured Atlas in 2025; directs live performance, digital media, events, social media, and community programming.
- Produced four F.ART.S LIVE! East Village comedy/variety shows (2021–2022) featuring artists from HBO, CBS, the New York Comedy Festival, and UCBTNY.
- Digital series: Something 2 Celebrate (Instagram); Talking 2 Strangers (pandemic web series); Hypocrites Welcome (podcast).

Selected Dance Teaching & Pedagogy

Dance Studios & Community Programs

- Dance Mania Nashville — Ballet Instructor (2026–Present)
- DC Dance Factory — Assistant / Shadow (2006–2015; ages 7–18)
- Ann Carrol School of Dance — Class Assistant, ballet/tap/jazz (ages 3–6)
- The Roots Academy — Dance Instructor / Substitute Instructor
- Studio @ Hoboken — Adult Dance Instruction
- Jacob A. Riis Neighborhood Settlement — Community Dance Instruction

Academic Institutions

- NYU Tisch School of the Arts — Teaching Assistant to Joy Kellman (2016–2017)
- The Ballet Club at NYU — Ballet Instructor
- Brentwood Academy — Choreography / Dance Instruction
- Christ Presbyterian Academy — Dance Instruction

Dollar General

Sales Associate

- Delivered customer service, processed point-of-sale transactions, and supported merchandising and daily store operations.

Onstage New York

Event Staff

- Staffed live dance events, organized awards, operated merchandise tables, and traveled to support event operations.

Vine Marketing House

Content Editor

- Edited photo/video content and digital marketing assets; selected clients included Darling Magazine and 7Hill Church.

YoungArts

Video Editor

- Edited arts-focused video and promotional content for audience-facing digital use.

Whitney Browne Photography — The Tom Caravaglia Studio

Photo Studio Assistant

- Assisted studio setup, shoot logistics, equipment organization, exhibition support, and archival work.

Upright Citizens Brigade Theatre New York

Theater Intern

- Supported live programming, theater operations, audience-facing needs, and day-to-day production logistics.

The Astaire Awards / The Chita Rivera Awards — *New York, NY*

Celebrity Attendant

- Supported Ann Reinking at The Astaire Awards and Chita Rivera at the Chita Rivera Awards; coordinated backstage movement and time-sensitive guest logistics.

New York University — Center for Student Life — *New York, NY*

Welcome Week Leader / Welcome Week Captain

- Advanced from volunteer leader to hired captain; led orientation programming, student groups, event logistics, and front-facing communication.
- Judge, So You Think NYU Can Dance, alongside Danielle Polanco.

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ARTS OPERATIONS

Original Company Member — The Forest of Arden

New York City Dance Alliance

Convention & Event Staff

- Hired NYCDA assistant in Nashville (Dec. 2016), assisting Scott Jovovich and Joe Lanteri; rehearsal assistant to Suzi Taylor at NYCDA Nationals 2016.
- Bright Lights Shining Stars Gala — Event Staff
- Destiny Rising Gala — Event Staff

Convention Assisting — Invited by Faculty

- Doug Caldwell (JUMP), Paula Morgan (Adrenaline), Joe Lanteri (NYCDA), and Mandy Moore (SYTYCD).

SELECTED MUSIC & MEDIA PERFORMANCES

Northwell Health Nurse Choir	Choreographer	America's Got Talent (NBC)
Memory Lane — music video	Dancer	Old Dominion | Choreographer: Nick Bass
Worth It — music video	Dancer	Colbie Caillat | Choreographer: Nick Bass
Carrie Underwood Christmas	Vocalist	Warner Brothers
Cracker Barrel Christmas	Vocalist	Cracker Barrel National
Grammy's MusiCares: Jared Leto	Vocalist	Radio City Music Hall | Music Director: Tim Davis
So You Think You Can Dance, S14	Dancer	FOX | Choreographer: Mandy Moore
Only Human — music video	Dancer	The Jonas Brothers | Choreographer: Tanisha Scott
Gold — music video	Featured	Britt Nicole
Joyful Noise — feature film	Choir Member	Warner Brothers
Disneyland Tokyo: Light Parade	Vocalist	Disney
Camel Lot	Vocalist	Little Big Stuff Music
Christmas Country Spelling Bee	Soloist	Word Music
2 Kool 4 Skool — music video	Dancer	Emergency Tiara

SELECTED THEATRE & CONCERT DANCE

Pretty Woman: The Musical on Tour!	Giulio / Ensemble	101 Productions | Dir. Jerry Mitchell
American Dream Study	Young Rip Van Winkle / Ensemble	The Forest of Arden | Dir. Michael Arden
Beauty & the Beast	Ensemble / Carpet / Lefou U.S.	Paper Mill Playhouse | Dir. Mark Hoebee
Polaris	Ensemble / Kidd Pivot Understudy	Lincoln Center | Choreographer: Crystal Pite
Artists in Concert	Choreographer / Soloist	AGBU: Carnegie Hall
When It Goes	Dancer	Second Avenue Dance Company | Choreographer: Sonya Tayeh
Dr. Jazz	Dancer	The Astaire Awards | Choreographer: Warren Carlyle
Fiddler on the Roof	Ensemble	Studio Tenn | Dir. Matt Logan
Cultural Architect Awards	Dancer	Artist's Giving Hope
Small Car, Big City!	Dancer	Genesis Cars
Minnie Pearl Show	Dancer	Opryland USA

TRAINING, AFFILIATIONS & SKILLS

NYU Tisch Dance	B.F.A. Dance	Chair: Sean Curran
Upright Citizens Brigade Theater	Comedy / Sketch Writing / Improv	New York
NYU Steinhardt	Ballet Pedagogy	American Ballet Theatre curriculum study

Professional Affiliations: SAG-AFTRA Eligible; Former Actors' Equity Association Member | Additional Skills: Event Coordination, Social Media, Photo/Video Editing, Photography, Dance Partnering, Driver's License, Passport