Ella Fornof

LIGHTING DESIGNER/PROGRAMMER

ABOUT ME

I'm a lighting designer and programmer with 7 years of experience working in various settings including theater, dance, concert, and corporate event lighting.

EXPERIENCE

PROGRAMMER
Studio RRD, Indio, CA
April, 2025

- Programmed on GrandMA3 for *Google Pixel X Coachella*
- Created event and concert effects

PROGRAMMER/LIGHT BOARD OPERATOR
El Portal Theater, North Hollywood, CA
September, 2024

- Helped transition the theater from the Hog to the Ion
- Concert busking; House programmer for *AT&T* commercial

PROGRAMMER
Little Cinema, *D23* in Anaheim, CA
August, 2024

- Programmed on GrandMA3 for *National Geographic's Hexodome Experience* Booth- Overall won a silver award in the Experience Design Awards
- Colormatched to pictures, created effects, and networked OSC

LIGHTING DESIGNER
Visions2030, Valencia, CA
August, 2023- September, 2023

- Designed the *Zukunft Garten* aka Future Garden immersive space within the *Earth Edition Festival*
- Coordinated making a sustainable space for live plant health

ASSOCIATE PROJECT MANAGER
CannLight, Valencia, CA
April, 2023- May, 2023

- Helped coordinate lighting for two stages and 90+ gallery spaces between artists
- Facilitated discussion between the PM and Crew Leader

LIGHTING DESIGNER, PROGRAMMER, ELECTRICIAN
California Institute of the Arts, Valencia, CA
August 2021- May 2025

- Lighting Designer for CalArts' Graduation Ceremonies on MA2
- Managed budget and coordination with rental companies
- Assistant Designed REDCAT's world premier of *Etta and Ella*

CONTACT

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EDUCATION

CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF THE ARTS

2021 - 2025, Santa Clarita, CA

Bachelors of Fine Arts in Lighting Design

SKILLS

- **OSHA Scissor Lift Certified**
- **Light Console Experience:** ETC Ion, ETC ColorSource, ETC Express, ETC Element, ETC Nomad, RoadHog Full Boar, GrandMA, GrandMA2, GrandMA3
- **Programs:** Vectorworks, Revit, Autodesk Fusion 360, MeshMixer, Twinmotion, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe InDesign, SketchUp, QLab

AWARDS

Lighting Design qualified for Nationals in the International Thespian Festival, 2020.

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REFERENCES UPON REQUEST