

# GRACE CONNAUGHTON

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## Key Skills

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- Costume Design
- Costume Illustration
- In-depth Research
- Buying
- Hand and Machine Sewing
- Draping
- Pattern Making
- Craftwork

## Education and Training

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- Bachelor of Arts, Theatre (Costume Design Emphasis)** 2017  
Pomona College — Claremont, CA  
Coursework in costume design and construction, makeup design, stagecraft, acting, dance composition, and theatre history
- Fashion: Sewing and Design** 2015  
Parsons School of Design, Summer Intensive — New York, NY

## Experience

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- Senior Project in Design** Jan 2017 to Mar 2017  
**Pomona College Theatre Department** — Claremont, CA
- Designed mainstage production of Madhuri Shekar's *In Love and Warcraft*
  - Responsibilities included comprehensive script analysis, visual and factual research, fittings, tech rehearsals, working with the director and costume construction team, material selection, and finding items in-stock and from online for best price and shipping speed.
- Costume Special Intern** May 2016 to Jul 2016  
**Utah Shakespeare Festival** — Cedar City, UT
- Assisted crafts shop and costume construction teams for each of the 7/2016 productions, including *Mary Poppins*, *The Three Musketeers*, *Henry VI*, and the festival's "Green Show"
  - Responsibilities included basic tailoring, attaching closures and other hand sewing, prep work for garment assembly, organization, material and garment maintenance, and various craftwork
- Assistant Costume Designer/Independent Study** Jan 2016 to Mar 2016  
**Pomona College Theatre Department** — Claremont, CA
- Assisted faculty costume designer Sherry Linnell for main stage production of *Urinetown*
  - Shopped for materials and costume pieces
  - Distressed garments, worked with dyer, and painted realistic metallic textures on plastic accessories
  - Attended fittings and tech rehearsals
- Intern** Feb 2013  
**Dusen Dusen** — New York, NY
- Assisted designer Ellen Van Dusen before and during Fashion Week
  - Ran errands in the Fashion District, and to the brand's textile and garment construction factories
  - Maintained and performed finishing touches on garments
  - Set up for and assisted with photo shoot and runway show for Spring 2013 line

## Awards, Grants, Interests

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- Pomona College 9th Annual Ten-Minute Play Festival, author of *Lord and Snake*. One of five plays chosen to be produced at the Festival
- The David Ken Schoell Prize for *In Love and Warcraft*. Awarded annually to the student presenting the best work in one or more phases of theatre design during the year.
- Ask me about the book I've been writing, cosplay, yoga, dance, singing, acting, or cetaceans!

## Portfolio & References

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Visit my portfolio at [graceconnaughton.com](http://graceconnaughton.com)  
References available upon request