# JONATHAN SAXON EDUCATOR | WRITER | MUSICIAN

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### **SKILLS**

Mentoring Recruitment Curriculum Design Program Management
Training Outreach Instructional Design Data Management

## **EDUCATION**

MA History with Distinction, California State University, Los Angeles BA History with Distinction, California State University, Northridge

#### **CURRENT EMPLOYMENT**

Adjunct Assistant Professor of History - <u>Los Angeles Valley College</u>: 08/2012 - Present Adjunct Instructor of History - <u>Antelope Valley College</u>: 02/2013 - Present

- Oversee the development, facilitation and evaluation of face-to-face and online learning.
   Manage a portfolio of courses by identifying tasks, timelines, and benchmarks.
- Deliver highly organized presentations that are relevant, engaging, and easy to follow.
   Track progress of students and provide useful oral and written feedback.
- Maintain ADA compliance for all face-to-face and online learning material. Ensure a diversity and inclusion lens across all learning platforms.

## **Copy Editor & Contributing Writer**

Tape Op Magazine: Copy Editor (since 05/2021), Contributing Writer (since 11/2007)

- Conduct artist interviews and product reviews related to the music recording industry. Partner closely with subject matter experts across musical genres.
- Proofread, edit, and fact check online and print content. Communicate edits and feedback with contributing writers.
- Manage the scheduling, tracking, and publication of print and online content. Ensure articles are current, inspire readers, and generate meaningful musical conversations.

#### **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

## **Outreach Coordinator, Adjunct Instructor**

Academic Resource Center at Los Angeles Valley College: 02/2015 - 03/2020

- Wrote student engagement, cultural awareness, and conflict resolution training curricula. Developed and facilitated skills workshops and tutor training sessions.
- Coached student workers on tutoring best practices across the disciplines. Mentored student workers to develop workplace etiquette and customer service skills.
- Planned and managed schedules, enrollments, training spaces, and audiovisual needs.
   Delivered outreach presentations to promote services and learning opportunities.

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## **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY (continued)**

### Research Assistant

Getty Research Institute (GRI): 10/2010 - 05/2011

- Oversaw the creation and management of a thorough data base of exhibition content. Proofread and fact checked didactic material for accuracy.
- Coordinated with internal and external partners to track projects and meet strict exhibition related deadlines. Communicated updates and project development to stakeholders.
- Conducted research in the GRI's library and extensive archives. Requested and handled artifacts at the GRI's Special Collections Room.

## **Teacher (K-6)**, Los Angeles Unified School District: 03/2000 - 08/2010

- Developed thematic units that combined STEM, Language Arts, Fine Arts, and Performing Arts content. Created innovative and relevant writing, reading, and math projects.
- Differentiated instruction for advanced, second language, and special needs students. Collaborated with Resource Specialists to make learning accessible to all students.
- Presented professional development workshops to demonstrate examples of cross-cultural lesson plans. Performed with a jazz quartet at school assemblies.

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

**Canvas Online Teaching Certifications** - Completed at Los Angeles Valley College, Antelope Valley College, and El Camino College (5 & 6-Week courses)

Smithsonian Folkways World Music Pedagogy Certification (1-Week Course) Multiple Subject Teaching Credential - State of California

# **SELECTED PUBLICATIONS** (See SaxonPortfolio.com for all publications.)

## Instructional Design/Scholarly

- "Aztec Archeology to the Mexican Revolution: A Photohistory at the Getty Research Institute," H-Net, May 2020.
- "Digital Resources: Getty Research Institute Digital Exhibitions and Portals for Mexico," The Oxford Encyclopedia of Mexican History and Culture, Dec. 2018.
- "Braiding Rhythms: The Role of Bell Patterns in West African and Afro-Caribbean Music," Smithsonian Folkways, May 2015.

## **Music & Audio Technology**

- "Kali Audio 2nd Wave Monitor," Tape Op, 149, June 2022.
- "El Garatge Expression Knob," Tape Op, 144, July 2021.
- "Darryl Moore: Mics are Cameras to Me," Tape Op, 133, Oct. 2019.
- "Annette Cisneros: Working Behind Two Types of Desks," Tape Op, 115, Sept. 2016.