

Hannah Mariko Bell

(she/her)

Director. Creator. Playwright. Producer. Administrator. Puppeteer.

Hannah Mariko Bell is a fourth generation Japanese Canadian who lives and collaborates on the territories of the WSÁNEĆ, Lekwungen, Esquimalt and Songhees people. In 2019, Hannah graduated with distinction from the University of Victoria with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Theatre. Hannah's goal as a theatre artist is to engage different communities through positive representations of Japanese culture, as well as challenge audience perspectives through a variety of theatrical practices. Hannah is an emerging puppeteer and a member of UNIMA West.

SELECT EXPERIENCES DIRECTING/CREATING NEW WORKS

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| 2021 | <i>Meet the Snoofs</i> | Director/Playwright/Puppeteer | Self-Produced |
| | Presented by Impulse Theatre's Peek Fest 10, 2021 Pre-recorded video excerpt of a larger piece in the works | | |
| 2020 | <i>Momotarō</i> | Director/Playwright | Self-Produced |
| | Belfry Incubator Creator's Circle 2020 Completed phase one of the writing process | | |
| 2018 | <i>Kansha</i> | Director/Creator/Producer | Self-Produced |
| | Presented by Intrepid Theatre's YOU Show Series, 2018 Presented at the University of Victoria, 2018 Funded by the National Association of Japanese Canadian's Young Leaders Fund | | |

TRAINING

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| Found Object Puppetry | 2020 | Ingrid Hansen |
| Grant Writing | 2018 | Matthew Payne / Theatre SKAM |
| Kyōgen | 2018 | Portland State University |
| Mask Performance | 2018 | The Wonderheads |
| B.F.A. in Theatre - Comprehensive | 2014 - 2019 | University of Victoria |

ADMINISTRATOR & TEACHER

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| Theatre SKAM | 2020-2021 | Artistic and Community Liaison |
| Theatre SKAM | 2020 | Assistant to the General Manager |
| SKAM School of Performing Arts | 2020 | Drama Teacher (Age 6-10) |
| SKAM School of Performing Arts | 2019 | ICA Camps Guest Drama Teacher |
| Theatre SKAM | 2019 | Production Intern |