DANA DAJANI.Professional CV

Awards and Recognition

- > Super Achiever Award @ World Women's Leadership Congress India 2020
- > Stylist Arabia Top 50 Inspirational and Influential Women in the UAE 2017
- > "Goalkeeper" at Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Global Sustainable Development Goals Conference NYC 2017
- > Emirates Woman Magazine "Artist of the Year" UAE- 2016
- > Recipient of the "Young Arab Award" for Entertainment UAE 2016

Education and Training

- > Four Worlds Online Talking Circle Facilitation 4-Month Seminar by Chief Brother Phil Lane
- Feldenkrais Somatic Education Practitioner training in San Sebastian, Spain-- ongoing 2013-2018
- > Training with La Pocha Nostra on Identity and Crossing Borders lead by Guillermo Gomez-Peña 2011

> 2010 Magna Cum Laude Graduate of Columbia College Chicago- Bachelor of Fine Arts in Theatre

Emphasis in Acting

Experience

- Songwriter for AR Rahman "Why? The Musical" Expo 2020 Dubai
- ➤ VibeLab "Artists Impacted by Covid 19" Field Survey (Jordan) Research Assistant, March 2021
- > Boopin Pitch @ Louvre Abu Dhabi RFP- Creative Consultant, Nov 2020
- > Oasis Desert Mind Meld- Qasr Al Sarab 2018 Event Planner 4 Day Technology/Economics Conference
- Mother of the NationFestival Abu Dhabi 2016 Curator Mamemo Pavilion on HH Sheikha Fatima Bint Mubarak
- Xcellence Plus 2015 training in drama, improvisation, presentation and pitch-making for First Gulf Bank and Dubai Petroleum employees
- Corporate Role Play Training– Dubai 2012-2015- Facilitated experiential, drama-based learning though for employees of Clyde&Co, Dubai Airports, and Barclays Bank

Teaching

- ➤ The Spiral Sessions- Online courses 2021- to present
- "Autobiographical Art" NYU AD J-term intensive @ FeynanEco Lodge Jordan, 2019
- "Time Banking" @ Mystic Earth Festival Jordan, 2019
- ➤ Nasab Ramadan "Write Yourself" Workshops UAE, 2019
- ➤ "Write Yourself" @ Liverpool Arab Arts Festival UK, 2019
- > "Find Your Voice" @ Liverpool Arab Arts Festival UK, 2019
- > "Art as Expression" workshop for the Yemeni female diaspora @ LAAF UK, 2019
- > "Write Yourself" @ Retreat in Pisac, Peru, July 2018
- Sustainability @ KHDA Saturday Club Dubai, UAE, 2018
- > 1-day "Capoeira and Time Banking" for KHDA's Sustainability Saturday Club, Dubai 2017
- > 1-day on "The Work That Reconnects" for Taijitu House of Om, Dubai 2017
- > Acting and Improvisation for Public Speaking- Dubai Petroleum, First Gulf Bank UAE 2016
- > 1-day on Casting & Directing Actors Arab Film Studio Competition 2015, Image Nation Abu Dhabi
- > Acting and Improvisation for Youth at Haya Cultural Center in Amman, Jordan 2014
- > 2-month Drama Therapy Program for UAE children with Autism, Abu Dhabi Crown Prince Court 2013
- > 2-day Acting workshop at Kuala Lumpur Performing Arts Center, Malaysia 2013
- 1-day Creating a Stage Character for Rock Camp for Girls- UAE 2012
- > Modeling and Audition Techniques for youth at Yasmin Talent Center, Dubai 2012
- Ongoing private classes with professionals to teach *public speaking*, voice over 2012-2021



Speaker, Panelist, Moderator, Jury

- > Khoury Conversations: 'Peter Beinart: A Jewish Case for Equality in Israel- Palestine'- Panelist- Online, Aug 2020
- "Personal Pathways to Success" TYG @ Pullman- Panelist Dubai, UAE, Nov 2018
- > TEDxSPJain Dubai Speaker- (UAE), March 2018
- > TEDxYouth Weekend at Cambridge High School Abu Dhabi 2016 Speaker Watch link below

"Babelogue: Reprogramming the Human OS"

- GCC Gov HR Summit 2016 Moderator "Winning the War of Talent Management in Challenging Times" and "The Equality Dialogue"
- > Wolff Olins Creative Agency 2015– Speaker "Creative Storytelling"
- Muslim Protagonist Symposium- Columbia University NY 2015 Panelist "Narratives of Muslim Women"

Moderator- "Hip Hop and Protest"

- ➤ Emirates Airlines Festival of Literature 2015 Panelist "Is Theatre Flourishing in Dubai?"
- > The Awareness Project 2015 Poet and speaker "Poet, know thyself"
- ➤ Sikka Art Fair 2012 Panelist "Role of Citizen as Curator"
- ➤ International Theatre Symposium Chicago 2011 Respondent "Internationalism" Panel Discussion
- ➤ 'Finding your Poetic Voice' Speaker- GEMS Wellington Academy
- Jury on many arts competitions, including: Girls Symposium, Canadian University Dubai, Short + Sweet Festival, WAY, and more

Charity and Advocacy Events

- ➤ Palestine Solidarity Campaign Land Day, Online, 2022
- ➤ Cuba Artists Solidarity, Online, 2021
- ➤ Arab American National History Month, Online, 2021
- ➤ Lebanese Red Cross, London, 2020
- > Build Palestine Conference Closing Performance, Online, 2020
- ➤ Visualizing Palestine, UAE + UK, 2018-20
- > Syrian Refugee March, Spain, 2018
- > My Olive Roots, Dubai, 2018
- ➤ Medicus Mundi Guatemala, Bilbao, 2017
- SNIFF Animal Shelter, Dubai, 2017
- > Jordan Informal Tent Settlement Distribution, Mafraq, 2017
- ➤ Tkiyet Um Ali, Amman, 2017
- Surge For Water, Dubai, 2016
- > Inaash, Beirut, 2015
- ➤ Hopes for Women in Education, Amman, 2014
- ➤ Welfare Association for Youth, Dubai, 2014
- ➤ Medical Aid for Palestine, Dubai, 2010 to 2016
- ➤ Rotaract Club of Jumeirah, Dubai, 2012
- ➤ Clowns Who Care, Dubai, 2011
- ➤ Dramatic Need, Chicago, 2010
- > Palestine Children's Relief Fund Dubai, 2008 to 2015

Additional CVs

- > Dana Dajani Poetry CV: Solo Performance, Poetry and Music shows, Publications
- Dana Dajani Performance CV: Theatre, Film, Voice Over, Modeling, Presenting

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