

STEPHEN SHYNES

ART DIRECTOR | CHOREOGRAPHER

WHO AM I

Multidisciplinary artist based in New York and Washington, D.C., working as an Art Director and Movement Director. Develops visual concepts and executes narrative-driven imagery across fashion, film, and performance. Combines a strong eye for composition, talent direction, and movement with hands-on production and digital experience to bring creative ideas to life.

EXPERIENCE

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY

Adjunct Professor

WASHINGTON, D.C.

August 2025 - Present

- Teach choreography, composition, and performance
- Direct rehearsals and guide movement development
- Lead creation of dance films exploring character through movement.

TV | FILM PRODUCTION

Location Scout | Production Assistant

NEW YORK, NY

June 2022 - May 2025

- Contributed to location and production operations across projects including The Blacklist, MTV Video Music Awards, and films directed by Steven Soderbergh.
- Coordinated scouting logistics, permitting, and scheduling across multiple NYC based productions.

BLANC MAGAZINE

Movement Director

NEW YORK, NY

Month of April 2024

- Assisted narrative driven movement for editorial storytelling
- Directed models to refine performance and on camera presence
- Collaborated on casting to select talent that enhanced the visual narrative.

VIDEO EDITOR ASSISTANT


ART-AIDEM

NEW YORK, NY

February 2022-November 2024

- Developed social content for artists and small businesses, boosting visibility and engagement.
- Edited reels, bios, and marketing materials to strengthen online presence and grow audiences.

CONTACT

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EDUCATION

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Art Direction
2025-2026

Montclair State University

Bachelor of Fine Arts
2012-2016

Duke Ellington

School of the Arts
2008-2012

ACCOLADES

North Carolina School of the Arts
Fellow (2025)

Sesame Street & POSE FX (2023)

CUNY Dance Initiative (2023)

SKILLS

- Adobe Creative Suite
- Final Cut Pro
- Canva Pro
- Garage Band
- Typography