

Arjuna Sayyed

**ACTOR, MODEL
CULTURAL STORYTELLER
AUDIO & EQUITY DESIGNER**

About Me

Community arts educator, cultural storyteller, and freestyle soccer performer who believes in the power of movement and story to build bridges. I center joy, identity, and connection. My work lives at the intersection of culture, creativity, and collective healing.

Selected Experience

DIRECTOR OF EQUITY, INCLUSION, BELONGING, PARK DAY SCHOOL

July 2019 - Present

Develop and lead school's strategic efforts towards diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging, including:

- Chief equity, inclusion, belonging storyteller
- Create and lead strategic DEIB assessment and reporting
- Create and lead parent education and DEIB initiatives
- Develop curriculum and oversee 9 student affinity groups
- Teach 4-8 grade Equity & Justice class
- Partner with school leadership to recruit, support and retain a diverse community of students, faculty and staff
- Collaborate closely with division heads to infuse equity and inclusion initiatives throughout the student life experience
- Design and lead professional development and implementation of inclusive, multicultural, anti-bias curriculum
- Executive produce school podcast and all associated programming

FREELANCE ACTOR & MODEL

March 2014 - Present

Model and perform in commercial campaigns focused on athletic wear, movement, and lifestyle branding.

- Oakland Roots Pro Soccer Capital Campaign Ad
- Oakland Street Stylers Adidas Spec Ad
- Sacramento Republic Pro Soccer Fan Fest Campaign
- Zipline Autonomous Logistics Ad
- Senda Athletics SWITCH Ad Campaign
- Blue Shield Northern California
- Street Soccer USA
- Neighborhood Sports Club

Education

BA, Child and Adolescent Development, Youth and Family Services. San Francisco State University 2008

AA, City College of San Francisco 2006



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Other related experience

- Possibility of Play: Liberatory Play Design, Freelance Consultancy, 2019-Present
- Creative Callbacks, Podcast Producer, 2024-25
- DrawTogether Podcast Producer, 2023-24
- UC Berkeley Othering and Belonging Participatory Action Research Grant Recipient, 2022
- Akonadi "Belonging in Oakland" Just City Cultural Fund Grant Recipient, 2021
- E-3 Education, Excellence and Equity Summit, 2019
- Festiwal Muzyka I Świat Sound Lecture, Kraków, Poland, 2009

Skills & Thangs

- Audio Production: Pro Tools
- Audio Recording: Whatever it takes!
- Podcast Publishing and Promotion: Apple, Spotify, all platforms
- DJ: vinyl & digital
- Ethnographic Research
- Participatory Action Research
- Soccer Freestyler/Coach
- Restorative Justice Practitioner