



# Danny Black

Actor – Cosplayer – Host – Stage Combat Specialist

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## SKILLS

- Proficient in English, with some Spanish & Italian
- Experienced with live event hosting and Multimedia Communication technology
- Expansive knowledge of alternative lifestyles and subculture
- Training in martial arts and practical stunt work
- Can run a mile in 06:40
- Red belt in Tae Kwon Do, and well rounded knowledge of self defense for both theatrical and practical purposes.
- Excellent Singing voice, with 5 years of musical theater experience.

## EXPERIENCE – Live Performance

### Golden Gate Knights

[www.goldengateknights.com](http://www.goldengateknights.com)  
2015 – 2020

### Performance Crew/Guest Instructor

- Teach class regularly as a guest instructor
- Performed complex multi-step lightsaber choreography
- Perform live regularly at conventions and corporate events including SVCC, IGX, Cal. Academy Nightlife)

### ArtU E-Sports

<https://m.twitch.tv/artuesports/profile>

### ShoutCaster/Commentator

- Hosted and shout-casted competitive e-Sports tournaments on our schools gaming channel
- Base knowledge and understanding of gameplay and strategy
- encouraged friendly competition with a range of college students from all backgrounds and majors

### Academy's Got Talent

[www.academysgottalent.com](http://www.academysgottalent.com)  
2018- 2019

### Host/Talent Wrangler

- Recruitment of talented individuals for live TV
- Provide feedback and constructive criticism on performance
- Create a safe and encouraging environment to showcase the talented students at Academy Of Art University for quality entertainment

### AAU Cosplayers League

[www.facebook.com/cosplayersofaa](http://www.facebook.com/cosplayersofaa)  
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2017 – 2019

### Representative

- Responsible for organizing groups and clubs surrounding the cosplay community
- Keep members actively engaged through social media.
- Share and promote events with individuals who are all proficient in their craft

### Earth Circus Productions

2019-2020

### Performer

- Character work ranging from pirates to wu xu martial artists.
- filled in for those who couldn't perform their acts

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## ACHIEVEMENTS

- Certificate in CPR
- Top 16 finalist in Campus Moviefest 2014
- Performed in *Saga of the Saber* at the California Academy of Science three-years running.
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## EXPERIENCE — Clubs and Social Media

### Final Form Cosplay Workshop 2017 – 2019

#### Admin

- Responsible for organizing regular meet-ups to build and promote DIY tutorials
- Supply materials and workspace for construction
- Demonstrate skills and techniques needed for constructing long-term cosplay-related projects

### NorCal Cosplay Ball 2019

#### Representative

- In charge of promotion materials and Distribution
- Network collaborations with the Golden Gate Knights
- Provide volunteer work when needed

### Peace Love Unity Respect (PLUR) Alliance [www.pluralliance.org](http://www.pluralliance.org) 2015 - 2017

#### Event Staff/Management/promotor

- Recruitment and training of incoming promoters
- Equipment Set-up/Break-down
- Manage and staff live events and productions

## EXPERIENCE — Other

### A Cosplay

Five years of Theatrical Cosplay and convention experience

### B DIY workshops

Vast Knowledge of materials and construction techniques for armor and costume design

### C Freelance Stunt work

Countless hours spent training for and practicing high intensity stunts for theatrical use and martial application.

### D Cinematography and editing

Two years of motion pictures and television major at Academy of Art University

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## TESTIMONIALS

"A fantastic asset to our show! truly entertaining."  
--Jan Yanehiro--

"Top of his class."  
--Johnathan Thorne--

"An amazingly creative, innovative and intuitive kid. Really reminds me of myself."  
--Gentry Lane--

"Oh I remember you, all you had to say was butterfly kick."  
--Ray Park--

## EDUCATION

<b>B.A. — Communications &amp; Media Technologies</b>	Academy of Art University — 2015-2019 San Francisco, CA
<b>Minor Degree — Psychology</b>	Sonoma State University — 2013-2015
<b>High School Diploma</b>	Sir Francis Drake High School 2009-2013

## PROJECTS

<b><i>Saga Of The Saber (Blog)</i></b>	A blog documenting various techniques used by the multifaceted performers from the <i>Star Wars</i> live show of the same name (made in partnership with the Golden Gate Knights).
<b><i>Bar Wars: Attack of the Appetizer</i></b>	The award winning short for which I secured a spot in top 16 finalists in Campus Movie Fest 2014, it should also be noted that this was my first time working with any kind of saber choreography.