

LAUREN TATUM

BOARD PRESIDENT

American Intercontinental University

Lauren is the owner and Creative Director of Bunny Paige, a Cleveland based jewelry design and mixed media art studio founded in 2013. She holds degrees in International Business and Marketing from AIU.

Her original and instantly recognizable Spiked Hearts and forward thinking designs have allowed her to grow from a local business to a thriving brand with an international cult following. Lauren's work has been featured on celebrity clients, the runways of NYFW, and most recently the stage of Cirque Du Soleil.

Lauren brings a passionate energy to this project which stems from her upbringing as the granddaughter of a judge and civil rights lawyer who served as a member of President John F. Kennedy's diplomatic team and legal counsel to Martin Luther King Jr.

Lauren looks forward to continuing in her family's footsteps while helping to build a brighter future for the entire LGBTQ+ community.



VIRGINIA WEST

DRAG MOTHER

Case Western Reserve University

Virginia West (Chris Equizi) is the mother of all drag mothers in Ohio, and Studio West 117 is ecstatic that Virginia will be bringing her enormous talents and even bigger heart to Cleveland.

Virginia is an accomplished choreographer and is known for her large-scale productions on the Axis stage in Columbus

"The House of West is known for trying to be helpful to our community. We have been so fortunate to have the best audiences that truly care about our mission of helping others. Combined as a family, we have raised over two million dollars for local and national charities ranging from Mozaic to Pets Without Parents to the Muscular Dystrophy Association. I also like to think we have fabulous legs."

-Interview with Virginia West – Columbus City Pulse.