



DR. LADY J

DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMMING, EDUCATION, & OUTREACH

Case Western Reserve University

Dr. Lady J is the world's first drag queen with a PhD specialization in drag performance history. She holds a BA in Music and Culture from the University of Tennessee, a PhD in Musicology from Case Western Reserve University and holds the position of Historian for the Austin International Drag Festival.

A pillar of the Cleveland LGBTQ community, she represents the city on the national drag scene and leads locally through activism, entertainment and education.

Lady J believes in this project because of its focus on drag education and performance, giving back to the local scene, and providing much needed services for LGBTQ people in Cleveland.

DAN HOUSEMAN

CREATIVE & TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

Stanford University

Dan is an AVP and Senior Software Architect for PNC and has an extensive technical background working with companies such as Google, IBM, Microsoft, Samsung, & FaceBook.

He holds degrees and certifications from Stanford in Computer Science, Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and Computational Linguistics. He also has degrees in International Business and Marketing from AIU.

Creatively speaking, Dan has produced shows for NYFW - creating imaginative and immersive experiences including the first VR Fashion Show with Samsung.

Dan is super excited because this project will allow him to provide technical and creative expertise, resources, and support across all aspects of the hub.

