

KT Turner, Self SWOT Analysis

	STRENGTHS	WEAKNESSES	OPPORTUNITIES	THREATS
Career Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clear idea of current goals and path to get to goals - Progress along path well underway 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Can only see about 2-3 years out from where I am now - No back up plan if it doesn't work out 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Two graduate applications complete (as of 2/20) - One campus visit scheduled for March 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Possibility of not getting an assistantship to cover the cost of graduate school - Possibility of not being accepted in the programs
Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not nearly as frivolous with money as in the past - Having been in poverty recently, I know how to survive 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I have no money. - I have credit card and student loan debt looming - I have so many bills that I can't get ahead 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Create a GoFundMe to help with the cost of graduate moving expenses. - Family help when they are able to 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Possibility of not getting the assistantship or the grad school funding. Without those, there is no option to go to grad school
Obligations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No kids or dependents - Family, in general, is doing quite well - 3 jobs (2 on campus, 1 off) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grandmother has been ill - Still a lot of bills to pay - 3 jobs take a lot of time from homework 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Car note to be paid off in a few months - There is the opportunity for a raise at my off-campus job 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All three jobs end in may, so I have to secure something for the summer.
Physical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stronger due to carpentry work - Losing weight in a healthy way - Keeping inflammation at bay 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Still out of shape - Permanently injured foot that's constantly in a brace 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Can continue to lose weight by continuing this more active lifestyles - Taking care of my foot and keeping in in the brace will prevent future injury 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Low funds threaten the quality of the foods I eat as well as how much food I'm able to afford
Psychological	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Praying, writing, and reading the bible regularly keeps me mentally in shape 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The stress of applying to get into graduate school and maintain my grades is weighing heavily 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There are constant opportunities to talk to mentors and church leaders and friends to keep focused 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - My support system will change drastically in the next few months

<p>Talents/ Skills/ Abilities/ Knowledge</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Skilled in directing, music, and carpentry - 1st degree in biological sciences - Teaching experience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not as strong a performer anymore because I'm out of practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Will work as scenic designer for the first time on a Student Success Series show - Taking a lighting course currently - Can perform more in graduate school when able 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Becoming complacent or becoming too hard on myself - My perfectionism
<p>Training/ Experience</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teaching experience - Directing Intensive at the Kennedy Center participant - Post-baccalaureate student 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Very little real-world professional experience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mentoring contract possibility at the Kennedy Center this summer - Supplemental instructor with Intro to Theatre Class 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inability to secure a theatre related job this summer

Five Year Plan

Primary goal: become a college level instructor.

Objective # 1: Obtain Master of Fine Arts

- Activities:
- Apply and be accepted into school
 - Complete assigned/necessary course work
 - Direct at least 3 shows through the school over 3 years
 - Complete final exit project

Objective # 2: Find specialization (Current choice - New Play Development)

- Activities:
- Take opportunities in graduate school to try new things and to direct pieces written by students in the program
 - Look into Certificate in New Play Direction from Hollins University
 - Seek outside opportunities to be apart of new play development workshops, perhaps at the Kennedy Center

Objective # 3: Gain more experience in teaching

- Activities:
- Secure teaching assistantship in graduate school, as teacher of record
 - Serve as graduate assistant in certain classes alongside major professor
 - Teach in summer camps
 - Possibly find job as high school theater teacher upon graduation

Secondary Goal: become a regional director of note.

Objective # 1: Find a regional market that is of interest

- Activities:
- Travel to see shows
 - Make connections and network at festivals and conferences
 - Network with out students in my graduate program to learn about their local markets

Objective # 2: Obtain a fellowship or apprenticeship in a theatre

- Activities:
- Look into NNP associate theatres for apprenticeship opportunities
 - Apply for fellowships all over the country
 - Work as a teaching artist if necessary to get my foot in doors

Objective # 3: Direct as much as possible to build resume

- Activities:
- Remain open to local directing opportunities
 - BE prepared to move when the time is right
 - Assistant direct with other known directors to learn more about the industry from hands on experience.

Tertiary Goal: obtain Kennedy Center internship or fellowship.

Objective # 1: Return to 2019 Kennedy Center ACTF Directing Intensives

- Activities:
- Maintain connections with mentors and staff at the Kennedy Center
 - Offer assistance and display enthusiasm in returning as a mentor
 - Be part of planning talks concerning Intensive

Objective # 2: While in DC, develop stronger rapport with Kelsey Mesa, Theatre Education Manager

- Activities:
- Have lunch with Kelsey
 - Pick her brain
 - Learn more about how to apply for the internships and fellowships available

Objective # 3: Secure internship time frame with graduate school

- Activities:
- Discuss internship/fellowship opportunities with major professor
 - Discuss possibility of funding by the department
 - Prepare to secure other necessary funding in preparation for the internship
 - Apply for the internship