

# Nina Kern

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Nina Kern is a stand-up comedian, actor, and podcast host in Chicago, Illinois. Ever since escaping the clutches of her conservative hometown, Nina has made it her life's passion to make people laugh using her life experiences, from the mundane to the insane! Since moving to Chicago, Nina has graced the stages at Zanies, Laugh Factory, and Comedy Bar. She has also hosted a recurring show at Laugh Factory. Nina has starred in commercials, webseries, and a series pilot. Nina also co-hosts a podcast, *White Collars, Red Hands* which has over 70 episodes to date.

## BROADCAST

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### **White Collars, Red Hands**

*Podcast Host (October 2020-present)*

- Researched white collar crimes to inform viewers of a wide variety of instances that have spanned over multiple decades
- Recorded weekly with co-host with a current catalog of 70 episodes
- Promoted podcast episodes via social media

### **Reckless Airwaves Radio**

*Guest (February 2022)*

- Discussed comedic influences and the challenges that comedians face post pandemic
- Gave background on comedic journey
- Discussed topics such as cancel culture and censorship

### **A Drunken Night Out: Ruined Her Last Birthday Ever**

*Guest (January 2022)*

- Interviewed about personal events
- Answered questions truthfully with detail
- Gave an introspective account on friendship, vulnerability, and loss

### **Entertainment Buffet Podcast: 103**

*Guest (January 2022)*

- Interviewed about the process of researching and producing a podcast
- Outlined vision for the project and motivation to continue

### **Singles Only! Ep. 267**

*Guest (August 2021)*

- Provided insight on romantic relationships and navigating dating culture as a millennial

### **Blocked: "I Am Overwhelmed"**

*Guest (January 2021)*

- Spoke on negative experiences that have come from using dating apps
- Provided documents and time stamps of events

## **Work With Youth**

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### **Chicago Public Schools**

*Substitute Teacher (2018-present)*

- Cover classrooms in different subject areas for grades Pre-k through 12
- Respect and execute teacher's lesson plans effectively
- Use mindfulness techniques and strategies to help students regulate their behavior

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## **Improv Playhouse**

*Director (2018)*

- Directed students from ages 8-11
- Train and supported students in their theatrical experience
- Made weekly lesson plans and weekly reports

## **Brightstar Touring Theatre-Ashville, NC**

*Actor and Teaching Artist (2017)*

- Introduced drama to science curriculum for grades 2-4
- Toured three holiday shows in various schools and venues across the country
- Kept detailed track of expenses, payments, props, and costumes

## **Done English School-Osaka, Japan**

*English Teacher (2016-2017)*

- Made and implemented curriculum for students of various ages and English levels
- Found innovative ways to use English in easy to understand games and exercises
- Lead drama club for students in English

## **INTERNSHIPS**

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### **Nashville Children's Theater-Nashville, TN**

*Teaching Artist Intern 2016*

### **Hillsboro High School-Nashville, TN**

*Student Teacher 2016*

### **Lightning 100-Nashville, TN**

*Radio Intern Spring 2015*

## **EDUCATION**

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### **Belmont University**

*BFA Theatre Education*

**Nashville, TN**

**Attended January 2014-August 2016**

### **Kent State University**

*Theatre Performance*

**Kent, OH**

**Attended September 2011-December 2013**

### **New York Conservatory for Dramatic Arts**

*Summer Intensive*

**New York, NY**

**Attended June 2012-July 2012**

## **SKILLS**

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- Great interpersonal skills, creative lesson planning, directing experience, ESL experience, acting, stand-up comedy, improv