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SUMMARY

Experienced AD, photographer, videographer, camera operator, and editor with a strong background in filming/editing across various production types including streaming series, product shots, marketing videos, behind the scenes, interviews, tutorials, and corporate overviews. Adept in editing using Adobe Suite Products (Lightroom, Premier Pro, Bridge) with hands-on expertise using various cameras. Recently returned to my hometown and am seeking photography/videography work in Austin, TX.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Freelance Event Photographer/Videographer January 2015 – Present

- Film and produce video content across various projects, including product shots, weddings, events, marketing materials, corporate overviews, and tutorials.
- Photograph events including wedding, political, bts, non-profit, portrait, and more.
- Operate and manage cameras including Canon EOS R5, Black Magic, and RED Epic.
- Collaborate with directors, producers, and other creative professionals to meet production goals and deadlines.
- Edit photos and video content using Adobe Premier, Bridge and Photoshop ensuring high-quality output that aligns with client objectives.

The Sex Talk Show, Camera Operator & Behind-the-Scenes Photographer, *New Haven, CT* 2022-2023

- Operated Black Magic camera on the live set of the televised talk show "The Sex Talk Show."
- Captured high-quality footage during the live broadcast, ensuring smooth operation and proper shot composition.
- Photographed behind-the-scenes using Canon R5, and edited footage using Premiere Pro for promotional and social media use.

CANMAN, Director, Camera Operator, Producer, Editor *New Haven, CT* 2021

- Filmed, edited, produced, and released a documentary, using Black Magic and Sony cameras.
- Managed all aspects of production, from filming to final edit, ensuring seamless storytelling through visual content.

Gretchen Skogerson, Director of Photography, Camera Operator, *New York, NY* January 2015 – 2019

- Assisted in shoots and filming for multiple artistic projects, operating cameras such as Canon 5D Mark III and Black Magic on set.
- Played a key role in capturing artistic visions through camera work, ensuring technical precision in lighting, framing, and composition.

Strange City, Assistant Director, Camera Operator, *New York, NY* October 2014 – 2016

- Operated cameras on a web-series production based on the works of Jorge Luis Borges.
- Managed shot logs and directed scenes, ensuring adherence to the director's vision while optimizing camera techniques.

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, Research Assistant, *New York, NY* June 2014 – January 2015

- Designed and produced videos and promotional materials to explain research experiments.
- Compiled and presented data through visual storytelling for patient and research communications.

EDUCATION EXPERIENCE

Music & Art Teacher, Integrated Refugee and Immigrant Service April 2018 - May 2021

- Taught art and music to refugee and immigrant children, fostering a creative community and empowering students through the arts.
- Organized exhibitions of student work to celebrate cultural diversity and artistic expression.

School Counselor, Saint Martin de Porres Academy, New Haven, CT July 2021 – July 2023

- Mentored first-generation, low-income college students, helping them secure over \$25 million in scholarships.
- Developed personalized guidance strategies for navigating the college application process and higher education opportunities.
- Facilitated workshops and one-on-one support, reducing student attrition rates and promoting academic success.

Teaching Fellow, The Moral Foundations of Politics, Yale University, New Haven, CT Spring 2021

- Led discussions and designed lesson plans for undergraduate students on political theory and ethics.
- Coordinated educational content, engaging students in debates and fostering a deeper understanding of complex topics.

Teaching Assistant, Coral Reef Ecology, Bermuda Institute of Ocean Sciences Summer 2011

- Assisted in curriculum development for high school and college students in environmental education.
- Facilitated hands-on research projects and developed lesson plans for diverse, international student groups.

ARTS EXPERIENCE

Artist-in-Residence, Sweet Dreams Society, New Haven, CT September 2023 - May 2024

- Conceived, produced, directed, edited, filmed, cast, and distributed interview series titled, “New Haven Dreams.”
- Conceptualized and invited New Haven community members to New Haven Dreams Festival to uplift and connect dreamers.

Artist-in-Residence, Social VR Artist in Residence Program September 2022 - September 2023

- Created interactive sculptures in virtual reality as part of a residency to develop new media art through virtual reality platforms.
- Engaged with audiences in interactive art experiences, exploring digital space and immersive storytelling.

Art Exhibitions

Solo:

- ‘FAULT lines / everything is bubbles,’ Volume Two, New Haven, CT
- ‘not me you but it is me too,’ Lucas Gallery, Princeton University, Princeton NJ

Group:

- ‘FOTO MONUMENTAL,’ Ibero-American Biennial, Callao, Peru
- ‘THE * OF LOVE,’ Galerie Martin Janda, Vienna, Austria

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

- *Louis Sudler Prize in the Arts*, Princeton University, 2013
- *Jim Seawright Award in Visual Arts*, Princeton University, 2013
- *Peter B. Lewis Award*, Princeton University, 2012
- *GenNOW Fellowship*, Poor People’s Campaign, KAIROS Center, 2019–2021

EDUCATION

Yale University

MDiv, Master of Divinity

Princeton University

AB with Distinction, Political Theory, Visual Arts

New Haven, CT

May 2021

Princeton, NJ

May 2013