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Personal Profile

Flexible, self-motivated and hard working individual who is studying Film at the University of Kent. Enjoys creative projects, developing new initiatives and motivating others. Enthusiastic about film, television and business, with a career goal of directing and producing in the film industry and starting his own company.

Career History and Experience

The Ash Project – Documentation Assistant

February – June 2017

- Working alongside a small crew to document the ash tree and its effects.
- Working on location directing alongside artists Heather Ackroyd and Dan Harvey.
- Setting up scenes and camera shots to present a series of professional short documentary films for the Ash Project.
- Communicating with various professionals to ensure the crew and I followed the brief carefully and professionally.

BBC – Runner – Flog It

25th January and 23rd February 2017

- Assisting in coordinating the public and the film crew.
- Organising refreshments.
- Working alongside production managers to ensure the day sticks to schedule.

Industrial Light Magic - XLAB – Star Wars Celebration Volunteer

15th – 17th July 2016

- Being helpful, welcoming and informative to VR volunteers.
- Helped with organisation of the event.
- Informed volunteers on safety and preparation before use of the virtual reality headsets.
- Answered questions and did my best to help the volunteers in any way necessary.

BFI - Residential Course in Screenwriting

January 9th 2016 - February 19th 2016

- Learning the fundamental aspects of screenwriting for film.
- Taking part in group discussions discussing narrative conventions and character development.
- Working one to one with a script editor to develop and fine tune a short story script.
- Having my own script read out by actors during a showcase at Tyneside cinema in Newcastle.
- Learning from industry experts about the process of coming up with an initial idea, to the screening of the final piece.

Team Member - FatCat Comedy Club

2014 – 2016

- Being helpful and social throughout all aspects of the job.
- Collecting tickets and showing the audience to their seats.
- Helping with organisation of the stage and set.
- Part of the organisation team and the front of house team.

Education

The University of Kent

2016 - present.

Four Year Undergraduate Course – Film with a Placement Year

Year One – Grade: 1.1

Colchester Sixth Form College

2013 - 2015

A-levels: English Literature (C), Religious Studies (A), Film Studies (A) and Photography (AS)(C)

Sudbury Ormiston Academy

2010 - 2013

GCSE: 11 (A-C grades) including Mathematics, English Language, English Literature, Religious Studies, Media Studies and Applied Business Double Award. BTEC: Level 2 – Music (Distinction).

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Skills, Interests and Achievements

Winner – Fatal Distraction – Kent Film Festival – 2017

Verbal and Written Communication - Learnt from my previous work placements such as being part of the *Fat Cat Comedy* Organisation team and being alongside a chef in the kitchen environment. Also, learning to be organised was vital throughout my college experience.

Teamwork and Leadership - Throughout my college/ university work and employment teamwork was vital. From working in a team at work to ensure food was prepared and delivered on time, to working in a team during my college/ university courses where time work was not only important but vital for success.

Problem solving - I thrived off tasks where I am given the opportunity to use skills which I have acquired throughout my past experiences. I do not think problems should be seen as a negative, rather a chance for myself to develop new ways to fix situations.

Information Technology – Word, Excel and Powerpoint

Flexibility – I've often had to adapt my plans and ideas when presented with new information. I'm fully aware that situations change and that I must adapt to them, an aspect I not only find interesting but I often find it ends with a much more positive outcome than original plans.

Film (pre and post) Production: Film and television is an important part of my life and upon gaining a 1st in my first year at university and working on various film projects for film festivals, I plan to pursue a film career in the near future.

Travel: During the summer of 2015, I spent two weeks traveling around Europe with a group of friends. We visited five countries over the course of the two weeks and I enjoyed it massively. I hope to continue traveling in the near future.

Music: I have a big passion for music which led me to learning bass guitar when I was younger and then forming a band with a fellow college mate. We played events all over the Suffolk area and although the band is no longer together, I still enjoy playing bass in my spare time.

References

Available on request