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A friendly and hardworking barista and bartender with a range of experience and a speciality in making peoples' days better and more interesting!

Education

A levels: BBB | GCSEs: 11 A-C including Maths and English

Queen Mary University of London

(2014 - 2018)

2:1 Bachelor of Arts (Honours) Russian and Comparative Literature

Notable modules: Translation from Russian to English, Translation from English to Russian, Lost in translation and multiple Russian literature modules.

Recently achieved grades (from 05/2018): 77 [a high 1st] (test on audio-visual R-E), 79 [a 1st] (coursework translation R-E), 72 [a 1st] (test on translation E-R), 74 [a 1st] (coursework translation E-R), *received an honorary prize for best student in Russian.*

Achievements

Academic

- Received consistent high firsts in my grades in Russian and won an monetary prize for the best student in Russian. I was also made the Year Abroad Representative for my extended knowledge on Russian culture and language.

Extra-Curricular

- Completed grade 8 ABRSM piano by the age of 16. Represented on a number of online platforms as an exceptional musician and composer, such as on EMI, BBA management and Motus Music. Recently specially selected to be a promoted composer on writemytrack.com. Represented by piano agencies as a top performer.
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Work Experience

COMPOSER @ EMI

(September 2018 - Current)

- Completed a wide variety of briefs in a selection of genres and moods and completed them within a short deadline for use on TV and film.

COMPOSER @ Motus Music

(September 2017 - Current)

- Successfully completed briefs based on very specific elements that required additional musical theory and extra research into the clients' wants.
- Diplomatically managed feedback from a variety of sources and found a middle ground to suit everyone's' wants.

PIANIST @ Various

(January 2015 - Current)

- Working at **Music For London** and **Bands For Hire** providing professional piano services with an extensive and varied repertoire for events.
- Please see here for my employer's review: <https://www.bandsforhire.net/solo-musicians-and-duos/item/368-yulia-solo-pianist>

COMPOSER @ Various

(September 2015 – October 2018)

- Composed an album for *Country File* for BBC One based on previous examples of warm orchestral pieces.
- Studied Ancient Roman musical theory and created an album of different moods for the soundtrack of *Horrible Histories* on CBBC.
- Created a science fiction style logo accompaniment for InCrowd (a pharmaceutical company), which was accompanied by a variety of samples so the client could choose the best fit.
- Created high intensity beat music for intersections in *Jeremy Kyle* on ITV.
- Composed dark electronic music to accompany a drug fuelled drama for "Bad Wolves" dir. Robert Barron.
- Composed upbeat classical music to accompany an animation for "Glove" dir. Joel Court.
- Composed a hybrid electronic sound to accompany a documentary on slavery for "A Bad Summer" dir. Samiira Garane.
- Composed a simple major-minor contrasted piece on piano to accompany a LGBT drama for "Fill The Silence" dir. Brock Elwick.
- Fused an Eastern European sound with western instruments to create a suspicious tone for a drama about the double agents in WW2 for "The Last of '34" dir. Ibad Shaikh.
- Composed an authentic Indian music to accompany a documentary on burial ceremonies for "The Inevitable" dir. Ibad Shaikh, which went on to be shortlisted for the BFI short film selection.
- Directed and accompanied the singers in the musical *Company* on the piano at Queen Mary University.

Translator, OrdenTop (Ukraine)

(June 2018 – October 2018)

- Translated technical, economical and legal documents on a weekly basis from both Russian and English with a focus on prompt and accurate translations.

Translator, ProZ

(February 2018 – June 2018)

- Created accurate and fluid translations on a range of subjects and styles, often on short deadlines to meet the clients' needs.

Year Abroad Representative, Queen Mary University

(September 2017 - June 2018)

- Studied in both Yaroslavl and Kazan and stayed with a host family in order to learn about the national and local culture. I also travelled extensively around Russia, participated in jazz organisations and taught people English.
- Received a 5 [the highest grade] for academic success for the courses I completed.
- Maintain relationships with those I met in Russia and have hosted them in England.

Further Interests

I have completed the Gold Duke of Edinburgh award, through which I volunteered full time at a Revitalise, which is a respite centre for the disabled. I have travelled extensively and have taught English in other countries. I performed the central role of Дама in the play *Обыкновенное Чудо* by Evgenii Shvartz, musically directed the cast and accompanied the entire play on the piano. I volunteered on The Great Baikal Trail and built a trail around Lake Baikal to promote tourism.