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PERSONAL STATEMENT

Passionate photographer looking for an assistant role to gain more hands-on experience and grow in the industry. Confident in portraits, lighting, and making people feel comfortable in front of the camera.

SKILLS

- Photography
- Basic Lighting
- Photo Editing
- Time Management
- Communication
- Teamwork & Collaboration

Unit Skills Workshop

March 2026

- Gained an understanding of the role of a unit stills photographer within film and media production.
- Participated in a simulated on-set environment, working with a constructed set to capture behind-the-scenes (BTS) imagery.
- Practised photographing live production moments while remaining unobtrusive and professional.
- Completed a portrait photography session, focusing on lighting, composition, and subject direction.
- Developed skills in making subjects feel comfortable and confident in front of the camera.

Content Creation Course

March 2026

- Completed an intensive course focused on photography, with additional training in videography and editing.
- Created branded visual content, working to client briefs and developing an understanding of brand identity.
- Built photography skills from foundational techniques to capturing high-quality portrait images.
- Gained hands-on experience across multiple photography sessions.
- Learned directly from a professional photographer, receiving guidance on lighting setup, composition, and shooting techniques.
- Developed confidence in directing subjects and making them feel comfortable in front of the camera.

Wedding Photography

April 2025

Self employed

- Provided photography services for a few weddings, focusing on portraits and candid moments.
- Handled all aspects of the process: client communication, on-site shooting, and post-event editing.
- Delivered high-quality, professionally edited images using basic photo editing software.

Photography Assistant

Dec 2025

- Assisted on a professional photo shoot, supporting camera and lighting setup.
- Supported the photographer on set and followed creative direction.
- Helped direct models by suggesting and guiding poses.
- Gained hands-on experience and learned professional on-set workflows.

EDUCATION

Level 3 Diploma in Creative Media Production & Technology	2022-2024
Double Applied Science & Sports – Sixth Form	2021-2022
9 GCSEs including English & Maths (A in Drama)	2016-2021

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Tv and Film Fusion Course- Mission Accomplished

JUNE - JULY 2025

- Gained insight into the TV & film industry through structured set days.
- Learned production basics, including set etiquette and crew roles.
- Attended industry professional talks and Q&A sessions.
- Took part in team activities and live presentations.
- Hands-on experience operating cameras, sound equipment, and basic lighting setups.

Volunteer

SEPTEMBER
2024-2025

Local Resource Centre

- Filling out paperwork and application forms for clients.
- Answering phone calls and booking appointments.
- Taking photographs to promote sessions for social media.
- Adding monthly inflows and outflows on excel spreadsheets.

Creative English Facilitator

- Completed a Creative English course and now facilitate voluntary classes to improve communication skills for diverse learners.
- Manage class time effectively to ensure smooth delivery of sessions and meet learning objectives.
- Plan and prepare engaging lesson content tailored to participants needs.

Hobbies And Interests

I enjoy travelling and experiencing different cultures, which inspires my creativity and broadens my perspective. I'm also passionate about film and television, regularly watching a wide range of genres and enjoying trips to the cinema, with a strong interest in visual storytelling and cinematic techniques.

REFERENCES

Available on request.