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PROFILE

I am a dedicated Teaching Assistant and passionate photographer and film maker seeking to transition into a career in TV and film production. Possessing a solid foundation in film production coupled with previous experience as a freelance photographer, I am eager to embark on a new challenge. Through my time in education and professional experience, I have developed strong communication and interpersonal and problem solving skills, and an exceptional eye for detail.

EXPERIENCE

2019 - Present **Freelance Photographer**

A freelance photographer specialising in weddings, family portraits, pet and event photography.

Key responsibilities include:

- Communicating with clients to understand their specific needs.
- Coordinating individual and group photos.
- Editing and retouching images, and delivering final images to clients in a timely manner.
- Maintain equipment, market services, and provide exceptional customer service to ensure client satisfaction and future business opportunities.

2013 - Present **Teaching assistant**, Roe Farm Primary School

As primary school Teaching Assistant, I support the class teacher in various tasks.

Key responsibilities include:

- Preparing lesson materials.
- Aiding in classroom management.
- Providing one-to-one support for students with special needs.
- Completing administrative duties.
- Maintain a positive and safe learning environment for the children and assist with individual and group work.
- Support in the marking of students' work and maintaining records of their progress.
- Capturing photos for display purposes and to record events, such as: trips, plays, leavers productions, class photos etc.

May 2023 - July 2023 **PPA Cover Teacher**, Roe Farm Primary School

As an unqualified PPA Cover Teacher, I temporarily taught children in Year groups 4 ,5 and 6 the national curriculum in Computing.

Responsibilities include:

- Maintaining class discipline.
- Ensuring student safety.
- Engaging students in interactive learning activities.
- Establish positive relationships with students and colleagues to create a harmonious learning environment.
- Plan and assess learning.

April - May 2012 **1ST Assistant Camera** Finest Films Ltd – Hackney's Finest

During the production of this feature film, responsibilities included:

- Maintaining, transporting, selecting and assembling camera and lighting equipment prior to and during filming.
- Responsible for talking with camera sound and lightning technicians and other crew to determine filming sequences, focusing (and lighting) requirements and camera movements.
- Responsible for focusing and refocusing the camera lens as the actors move within the frame of each shot according to rehearsal instructions and plans.
- Anticipating the needs of the camera operator, DOP and Director during the production.

- Operating digital cameras, Jibs, Dollies, Monitors and Lights.
- Preparing the clapperboard and clapping each take.

2011 – 2011 **TV Berlin**
Intern – Camera Operator / Video Editor

Responsibilities included:

- Operating a variety of digital cameras.
- Operating postproduction equipment, such as: FCP, Sound Track Pro, HDCAM decks, Apple Colour etc...
- Selecting and assembling cameras, accessories and equipment to be used during filming.
- Gathering archive footage from network storage devices, Hard Drives, DV and HDV Tapes.
- Observing sets and locations for potential problems and to determine filming and lighting requirements.
- Editing video footage for broadcast.
- Liaise with reporters and chief editor.
- Quality Control: Image and sound quality.

July - August 2010 **British Youth Film Academy (BYFA)** - Julius Caesar (2011)
Camera Assistant / Mentor

Responsible for maintaining, transporting, setting equipment and anticipating the needs of the camera operator, DOP and Director(s) during the production of the feature film, Julius Caesar (2011).
Additionally, as a mentor, additional responsibilities were bestowed on me to train and supervise young trainees in all manner of activities, from recording sound to operating cameras and respective equipment.

2009 - 2010 **Meridiana Films**
IT Consultant / Website Designer

Designed, developed and maintained a dynamic website for the marketing and distribution company Meridiana Films (www.meridianafilms.com) using: Dreamweaver, Flash, Adobe Photoshop and third party java script..

EDUCATION

2009 – 2011 **Staffordshire University:** *BSc (Hons) Film Production Technology. Grade: 1st Class Honours*

2007 – 2009 **Staffordshire University:** *HND Media Technology: Games Design*

Other Qualifications Include:

GCSE's: English: C, Maths: C, Art: C. **Higher National Diploma:** Games Design, **National Diploma:** Multimedia, **Diploma:** Graphic Design

KEY SKILLS

Approachable, flexible, and a team player.

Able to use a variety of editing and image editing software such as: Avid Media Composer, Final Cut, Adobe Photoshop, Lightroom, After Effects and Premiere etc.

Competent at using a variety of DSLRs, mirrorless cameras and professional video cameras.

Use both Mac and Windows operating systems.

Hold a full and clean driving licence.

References

Available on Request