

Curriculum Vitae

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Education / Qualifications

DeMontfort University, Leicester - BSc Media Technology (HONS), 2011–2012

Confetti ICT, Nottingham - FDS Sc Digital Video and Broadcast Productions, 2009–2011

The first two years of my undergraduate degree were spent in Nottingham with a 'top-up' year at Leicester De Montfort University. I studied a wide range of techniques for production of video and photography; I became fluent in many software packages.

Degree Assessed Modules:

- Advanced Imaging Technology
- Post Production for Tv and Film
- Digital Broadcast Technology
- Multimedia Animation Production
- Digital Audio-Visual Technology
- Video Industry Practice
- Digital Video and Broadcast Production

Castle College, Nottingham - BTEC National diploma, TV and Film, 2007–2009

The Long Eaton School – GCSE's – 2001 – 2003

8 GCSE A – C grades including English, Mathematics and Science

Work Experience

Current Employment: J D Wetherspoons – Customer Associate – (May 2011 –Current)

- Serving age restricted products in a constantly busy work environment.
- Waiting tables and maintaining the front of house to keep the establishing in an orderly and presentable manner.
- To assist the set up and maintenance of all restaurant service areas.
- To notify the Duty Manager where stocks and supplies are low.
- To ensure that all duties are carried out in accordance with J.D. Wetherspoon Health and Safety requirements, including food hygiene, conforming to COSHH regulations.
- Maintaining excellent levels of customer service at all times.

Previous Employment: The Rock and Bike Festival Promotional Video – Producer – (July 2013)

- Sourcing technical crew and talent for the video.
- Project development and budgeting, looking at similar products and finding the most cost effective way to produce the video.
- Filling out Health and Safety reports and Risk Assessments to be overseen by council members in order to judge the feasibility of the video.

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- Planning the shoot day by day in order to ensure the production would run smoothly, by going over my Shooting Schedules, Shooting Scripts and Locations with each of the crew.

Previous Employment: Oak FM - Photographer – (2013)

- Providing high quality images of different events around Leicestershire, which would be posted onto the website and Social media pages as the news was on air. This meant a very fast turn around of high quality work, which was done on a freelance basis.

Previous Employment: Nottingham Armed Forces Weekend – Video Director / Photographer (2012)

- Armed Forces weekend is an annual charity event at Wollaton Hall in Nottingham, raising money for several charities including Help For Heroes and Clic Sargent.
- I was brought in at the initial planning stages of this event, in order to source crew and plan for the many activities that would be happening in order to promote the event and the many businesses and people giving their time and resources to the event.

Previous Employment: The Co-operative Wholesale Society – Customer Assistant – (2005 – 2010)

- Maintain safe working conditions and sanitary work area.
- Maintain accurate cash handling procedures at all times.
- Provide great customer service.
- Interact with customers and clients in a pleasant and professional manner.

Accomplishments

- Media Student of The year 2011 award.
- Worked with Bruce Dickinson, lead singer of Iron Maiden.
- Raised money for Help For Heroes on many events around Nottingham.
- Worked with Nottingham City Council to promote the city at the Lord Mayors Event.
- Worked on a series of videos for the NHS Mencap, working with the mentally handicapped to produce videos to inform people what will happen if they have to go into hospital for a variety of different problems.
- Filmed several live shows for Jake Bugg.
- Directed two music videos for BBC's The Beat web show.

Key Skills

- Computer Literate with a variety of Operating Systems.
- In depth knowledge of many Desk Top Publishing Programs including the Microsoft Office Suite and Apple Works.
- A strong knowledge of visual aesthetics in photography and moving image, from my time at university and in subsequent freelance work.
- A good working knowledge of photo editing software including the Adobe Creative Suite.