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Education

Columbia College Chicago - (2012-2014)
MFA Directing & Screenwriting

Tabor College - (2007-2009)
BA Graphic Design, BA International Studies. Minor in Painting.

Whitworth University - (2005-2007)
Majored in Acting & Creative Writing. Minored in Dance.

Teaching Experience

Oil Painting Instructor - *Moxie Art Supply* - Nashville TN (2011)
Taught a beginner's oil painting course for adults at a community art studio.

Movement & Yoga Instructor - *New Day Yoga Studio* - Kansas City MO (2010)
Taught a course on movement, connecting with one's body, and beginning yoga.

Teaching Assistant - Tabor College - Hillsboro KS (2010)
Intro to Cultural Anthropology - Taught 3 lectures on art in cultural anthropology.
Assisted the professor in grading, and hosting study sessions for students.

Darkroom Chemist - Tabor College - Hillsboro, KS (2009)
Photography I / II - Managed the dark room, changed chemicals and assisted photography students with darkroom photography development.

Teacher - Bruce PERU - Trujillo Peru (2009)
Tutored children in the slums whose education levels were too low to be accepted into state elementary schools. Taught in Spanish and tutored math, and reading.

ESL Teacher - Bruce PERU - Trujillo Peru (2009)
Taught a basic English course to working professionals.

Related Work Experience

Film Director / Co-Founder - Burnt Sugar Productions (2015)

Started a production company with award-winning sommelier Jeremy Quinn, and partnered with Music Box Films to shoot and direct a feature-length documentary on the origins of wine in The Republic of Georgia.

Videographer / Graphic Designer / Photographer - Freelance - (2008 - Present)

Print design, Logos, branding, portraits, stationary, music videos.

Film Distribution Intern - Music Box Films - Chicago IL (2014)

Assisted with grassroots marketing, film festival submissions & shipping.

Library Assistant - Tabor College - Hillsboro KS (2009)

Library desk attendant. Assisted students with book checkout and software.

Digital Media - Bruce PERU - Trujillo, Peru (2009)

Created logos and design projects for Bruce PERU. Photographed the Bruce PERU programs in the different slums. Filmed interviews about the programs offered by the organization amidst political turmoil for the Peruvian education system.

Resident Assistant - Tabor College - Hillsboro KS (2008-2009)

Mentored college freshman, created & led weekly activities to help create community on the college campus.

Community Case Worker - Prairie View - Hillsboro KS (2007)

Worked with emotionally disturbed kids at a low-income summer camp. Led activities, tutored kids.

Admissions Ambassador - Whitworth University - Spokane WA (2005-2007)

Gave campus tours, hosted prospective students, data entry for the incoming applications.

Volunteer Experiences

Art Coordinator & Camp Counselor - JMI (Chisinau, Moldova - July 2011)

Created art activities for orphans, Drew portraits for all of the children at the orphanage, led movement and dance activities.

Service Volunteer - TLC Thailand - (Summer 2008)

Volunteered with TLC in Chonburi, Thailand. Worked with AIDS orphans, tutored ESL students in the TLC after school program.

Awards / Grants / Scholarships

- Film Grant: **Albert P. Weisman Award** - Columbia College Chicago (2014)
Awarded for the production of the short film "Warbaby."
- Scholarship: **Follett Award** - Columbia College Chicago (2012-2014)
Awarded by Columbia College for tuition in the film program.
- Film Grants: **Columbia College Chicago Production Fund Awards** - For the following films:
Director: At Papa's (2014)
Director: The Vain Illusionist (2014)
Director: WarBaby (2014)
Director: The 6th Stage of Sugar (2013)
Director: Fort (2013)
- Award: **Outstanding Achievement in Cinema** - Big Screen XVII Festival
Director: "The First Fall"
- Award: **Junction City Senior Artist Award** - (2010)
Best Senior Artist across Kansas - Oil Painting & Photography

Filmography

Director (10 credits):

"Our Blood Is Wine" (in post)	2015	Burnt Sugar / Music Box Films	iPhone 6
<i>(theatrical distribution scheduled for 2016 by Music Box Films)</i>			
"At Papa's"	2014	Columbia Thesis Film	Arri Alexa
"Columbia Frameworks"	2014	Columbia College Chicago	Canon 5D
"Warbaby"***	2014	Burnt Sugar Productions	RED
<i>(Louisville International Film Fest, Kansas City Film Fest, Albert P. Weisman Grant recipient)</i>			
"The Vain Illusionist"	2014	Columbia Thesis Film	35mm
"Fort"	2013	Columbia Thesis Film	Arri Alexa
"The Fool"	2013	Upsin Hounds Music Video	Canon 5D
"The 6th Stage of Sugar"***	2013	Columbia College Chicago	RED
<i>(Louisville International Film Fest, Tallgrass Film Festival)</i>			
"Atoms"	2013	Independent Project	Canon 5D
"The First Fall"	2012	Columbia College Chicago	16mm

Writer (7 credits):

"At Papa's"	2014	Columbia College Chicago	Drama
"The Armadillo's Crisis"	2014	Columbia College Chicago	Claymation
"The Vain Illusionist"	2013	Columbia College Chicago	Dark Comedy
"Hide Eliza"	2014	Feature	Dark Comedy
"Fort"	2013	Columbia College Chicago	Coming of Age
"The 6th Stage of Sugar"	2013	Columbia College Chicago	Drama
"The First Fall"	2012	Columbia College Chicago	Drama

Producer (3 credits):

"Warbaby"	2014	Burnt Sugar Productions	Dir. Emily Railsback
"Bird"	2013	Columbia Thesis Film	Dir. Mark Winters
"The Persistence of Loss"	2013	Columbia Thesis Film	Dir. Brian Lange

Other Credits (8 credits):

Facets Promo Video	2014	Production Designer	Dir. Michael Smith
"Uncle John"***	2013	Set Decorator	Dir. Steven Piet
<i>(Official selection SXSW, Distribution with FilmBuff)</i>			
"Pay Per View"	2014	Production Designer	Dir. James Heiner
"Pool Week"	2013	Production Designer	Dir. Jeff Warner
"The Persistence of Loss"	2013	First Assistant Director	Dir. Brian Lange
"Said the Blind Man"	2013	Production Designer	Dir. Ben Fout
"The Articulators"	2012	First Assistant Director	Dir. Paul Demos
"Valmara"	2012	UPM / 1st AD	Dir. Ryan Shuck
"Owning It"	2012	First Assistant Director	Dir. Rondell Merrill
"Some Punishment"	2012	First Assistant Director	Dir. CJ Richter

Art Exhibits

"A Juxtaposition in Peruvian Life"

A painting and photography exhibit showing poverty in Peru; juxtaposing quality of life in rural villages to urban slums.

2010	The Living Room	Kansas City, MO
2010	The Brick	Kansas City, MO
2010	LP Coffeehouse	Hillsboro, KS
2010	Junction City Arts	Junction City, KS