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Summary:

My diverse experience in various artistic mediums is impressive. From creating visual identities through logo design to capturing special moments in photography, and even crafting unique fashion pieces, my portfolio reflects a broad skill set. This versatility not only showcases your creativity but also demonstrates your ability to adapt to different artistic demands, making you a valuable asset to clients seeking a wide range of creative services.

Key Skills or Relevant Coursework:

- Proficient in graphic design software including Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign.
- Experienced with design prototyping tools such as Figma and Canva.
- Skilled in operating a variety of crafting machines, including sewing, embroidery, and cutting machines.
- Knowledgeable in photography, capable of handling both DSLR and manual cameras.

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Exhibitions & Publications:

- Selected as a featured artist in Lebanon Friday Artwalk or Event, Harrisburg Community College Student Art Show showcasing work to a diverse audience and receiving positive feedback.
- Published photographs in [Photography Magazine , 2008
- Member of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society for the two year college
- Nominated as commencement speaker for 2024

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Professional Experience:

Freelancer Harrisburg, PA City, State

*Freelance Sewing, Graphic Design, Illustration, poetry, jingles and creative writer
photographer, creative story teller, Design Thinking (Research), prototype,*

- Collaborate with clients, stakeholders, and subjects to understand project objectives and deliver outcomes that exceed expectations.
- Manage project timelines, budgets, and resources to ensure efficient execution and timely delivery of deliverables.

- Participate in exhibitions, gallery shows, and community events to showcase work and engage with audiences, fostering meaningful discussions and connections.
- Contribute to the development of marketing materials, promotional campaigns, and online portfolios to enhance visibility and attract new opportunities

Giant Food Company- Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Front End Checkout Coach 2

10/27/2020 -current

- Coach in the moment current and new team members
- Problem solving customer concerns and questions.
- Manage money , withdrawing and filling all cash machines for self scans and live registers.
- Self Starter
- Train current and new members

Ascena Retail Group Catherine's Plus Brand, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Assistant Manager

dates of employment June 2013-July-2020

- Provide excellent customer service and have a working knowledge of all grocery products.
- Use effective and proper procedures for prepping, storing, rotating, stocking, and merchandising products for an aesthetically pleasing sales floor.
- Independently managed overall projects and technical development efforts of multiple products ensuring performance, quality, cost, schedule success, and profitability.
- Collaborated with the Cost Engineering Department to perform economic and financial analyses, estimating product costs, evaluating vendor quotes, recommending options for cost reductions, and driving cost decisions.
- Led development meetings to drive the production schedule of more than 20 concurrent projects.

Capital Area Head Start, Harrisburg, PA

Preschool Teacher ages 3-5

Dates 1991-2000

- Duration: 1991-2000
- Responsibilities:
- Developed and implemented an age-appropriate curriculum for preschool children.
- Conducted daily educational activities that supported the intellectual and social development of children.

- Collaborated with parents and staff to assess and address the individual needs of each child.
- Maintained a safe and nurturing classroom environment conducive to learning.
- Regularly monitored and reported on the progress of children, adapting teaching methods to meet diverse learning styles.

Wellsmar Daycare and School, St. Louis, MO

Nursery School Teacher ages 2-3

Dates 1991-2000

- *Develop and implement a creative curriculum that includes art activities suitable for 2-3-year-olds.*
- *Foster a safe and nurturing environment that encourages artistic expression and creativity.*
- *Plan and conduct art lessons that are age-appropriate, engaging, and promote fine motor skills development.*
- *Assess and document children's progress in art and other developmental areas.*
- *Communicate with parents about their child's art experiences and developmental milestones.*
- *Manage classroom materials and resources, ensuring they are safe and accessible for young children.*
- *Collaborate with other teachers to integrate art into the broader educational program.*

Education:

Harrisburg Area Community College (Lebanon Campus) Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
Associates of Art and Design, Visual Communications

Pennsylvania College of Art and Design, Lancaster Pennsylvania
Bachelors of Design Thinking, minors Graphic Design and Fine Arts

- Recipient of the HACC \$500 scholarship
- Student Government Association
- National Honor Society for the two year college
- Reporter for the Student Government Association
- President Club top 35 sales in the retail clothing
- Associate of the Month relating to extra care in customer service
- Honorary board member for the Mental Health Aurora Club
- Club member of PCAD crochet
- Honorary finalist for photography magazine contest
- Reporter for the Dauphin County Clubhouse designer of club newsletter

Volunteer:

- United Way - 2008
- Nursing Home- Activities and Physical Therapy, Lebanon, PA 1988-89
- Nursery School- Wellsmar, MO-1985
- Companion- Elderly -2011-present, Harrisburg, PA
- Planned and executed children's Birthday Parties- Harrisburg, PA 1990-2000
- Children's story teller-Harrisburg, PA 1990-2000
- Event Planner at retail store - Style Events for Plus size women, Harrisburg, PA 2013-2020