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EDUCATION

COLUMBIA COLLEGE CHICAGO (Chicago, IL)
Bachelor of Arts, Television Writing & Producing

Graduated: May 2023

WORK EXPERIENCE

ART DEPARTMENT (Remote)

February 2023 - Present

Freelance

- Hired by Costume Designer Olivia Miles for a day of packing wardrobe in e-crates for a shoot in New Mexico.
- Commissioned to create a fake cake prop with a realistic portrait for short film "Icing on Her Cake."
- Coordinated the budget, decor sourcing, food and drink for a gothic themed party with over 60 guests.

HELLSGATE HAUNTED HOUSE (Chicago, IL)

October 2022, 2023, 2024 - Present

Costumer, Actor, Prop Assistant - Seasonal

- Dressed 30+ actors (out of 100+ total) according to their role within 1.5 hours each night.
- Washed, ironed, and steamed nine bags of laundry weekly, dyed and distressed costumes, cleaned and repaired accessories, and sanitized silicone masks post-show.
- Maintained and upgraded costume shop, prop stock room, and fitting room organization in the off season.

OWASIPPE SCOUT RESERVATION (Twin Lake, MI)

December 2023 - August 2025

Reneker Family Camp Director - Seasonal

- Trained 16 staff members to provide 7 weeks of program for over 500 campers ranging from ages 4-adults.
- Created new systems for off season camper communications, registrations, and multi-year project planning.
- Utilized my painting knowledge to make lasting improvements to our bathroom facilities and 40 rustic cabins.

CITIZEN JONES (Los Angeles, CA)

February 2023 - May 2023

Unscripted Docuseries Intern

- Researched topics of interests through articles, podcasts, and related unscripted company market research to create write-ups for prospective show pitches.
- Collected and timestamped archival and rip and footage for sizzle reels and episodes.
- Sourced 80+ prop and set piece options from 8 local rental companies for a one day shoot.

COLUMBIA COLLEGE CHICAGO (Chicago, IL)

January 2022 - December 2022

Television Department - Engineering Work Aide

September 2019 - May 2020

- Conducted routine studio maintenance, repair, and installation of networks, lights, cameras, television monitors, and audio equipment for use in television production courses.
- Demolished a wall to clean and reorganize our prop storage, including creating a database for our paints.

SELECTED WORK

Title	Role	Type	Date
Hamster in My Head	Prop Maker & Food Stylist	Independent Film	2024
Sublime Remains	Art Hand, Set Dresser	Fashion Film	2023
Peace in Drowning	Production Designer	Advanced Short Film	2023
Eggplant Lasagna	Props Assistant	Advanced Short Film	2022

SKILLS

Production: Script breakdowns, shooting schedules, call sheets, managed crews of 15-20 and budgets up to \$4000.

On-Set: Handle fragile props, set builds and load-outs, department inventory, delivery, receipts, and returns.

Art: Proficient in sculpting, detail painting, hand and machine sewing and alterations, mould making, and blueprints.