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EDUCATION

Ringling College of Art and Design *Sarasota, FL*

BFA Candidate 2007 – 2011 GPA 3.3/4.0
Major in Game Art and Design
Minor in Business of Art and Design

Athens High School *Troy, MI*

June 2007 GPA 3.5/4.0
Magna Cum Laude with honors in Art, Theatre
Competitive Public Speaking and Peer Mediation

EXPERIENCE

Logistics Committee Leader, Next Step Career Conference, Sarasota, FL October 2009 - Present

Skillfully coordinated efforts of 15-person team to operate a successful college career conference

- Capitalized on strong leadership skills promoted coordination at all levels of conference team
- Facilitated cohesive interaction of all committees through strong organizational skills
- Maintained optimistic and enthusiastic tone in all committee meetings
- Identified and circumvented scheduling conflicts and logistics concerns through developed analytical skills

Marketing Intern, Smartfinds Internet Marketing, Birmingham, MI May 2008 – August 2008

Provided client-centric Internet marketing solutions increasing traffic to sites of 11 corporate accounts:

- Developed creative solutions improving marketing procedures enhancing client web traffic
- Built upon advanced writing and communications skills, established best practices guide for future interns
- Completed all accounts under budget and ahead of schedule through increasingly efficient work practices
- Ensured intern team coordination to avoid duplication of efforts through effective communication

Computer Animation Lab Monitor, Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, FL August 2009 - Present

- Managed daily troubleshooting needs of 150 students through highly developed problem solving skills
- Expanded upon communication skills and sought expeditious solutions to both student and technical issues
- Communicated regularly with Institutional Technology staff to ensure rapid issue resolution
- Exploited constant situational awareness, maintained safety and security of lab assets and students

Griller, Hunter House Hamburgers, Birmingham, MI June 2009 – Present

Capitalized on highly developed stress-management skills, served in large volumes the #1 hamburger in Michigan

- Rapidly assimilated procedures and skills necessary, excelled in multiple areas of customer service
- Effectively functioned as part of a small team all working to ensure customer satisfaction
- Successfully utilized advanced communication skills, coordinated customer service efforts with 5 person crew
- Efficiently completed customer-specific orders in demanding environment

PERSONAL

Advanced Competency with Maya 2009, Mudbox 2009, Photoshop CS4, Crazy Bump, Windows XP, Improvisational Acting; *Competent* with Unreal Development Kit, xNormal, board and card game design, Python, MEL, Unreal Kismet, Windows Vista, Windows 7, MS Office Suite 2007, Spanish; *Working Knowledge* of level design, Dreamweaver CS4, Premier CS4.

Awards and Nominations - 2011 Ringling College of Art and Design Trustee Scholar Nominee

Associations - International Game Developers Association, International Thespian Society,
Ringling Game Design Club Public Relations Officer

References and Portfolio available upon request