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SUMMARY.....

I am an artist with a hands-on philosophy that I apply to photography, woodworking, teaching, and life.

EDUCATION.....

Bachelor of Arts: Visual Fine Arts September 2014 - June 2018

University of California, Los Angeles - Los Angeles, CA

GPA: 3.7

Past Coursework: Advanced Photography, Advanced Ceramics, Advanced Painting, Advanced Printmaking, New Genres, Sculpture, Drawing, Game Design, Modernism (Art History), Music History, Advanced Bluegrass Ensemble, Cognitive Neuroscience and Psychology, Astronomy, Italian 1-3

AWARDS.....

Scholarship to attend Anderson Ranch Arts Center August 2018

Awarded a scholarship to attend the class, *Collodion Tintype: 35mm to large format*, at Anderson Ranch Arts Center located in Snowmass Village, CO

Nominee for the UCLA Department of Art Scholarship May 2017

Prestigious nomination by the Art faculty of art students who have demonstrated outstanding artistic and academic achievement. Nominees had three pieces of artwork displayed in the Art Scholarship Showcase

Jimme Yarnell Memorial Award June 2014

Awarded to four students from the Santa Rosa High School ArtQuest visual arts specialties who plan to major in an arts-related area

WORK HISTORY.....

Kala Brand Music Co - Instrument Builder, Petaluma, CA January 2019 - Present

Specializing in the wood working side of manufacturing musical instruments. Building, finishing, buffing, and final string up on instruments.

Lost Coast Outfitters - Photographer, San Francisco, CA September 2018 - Present

Photograph products for the store's website, create advertising images, and document trips/classes

Apprenticeship - Bamboo Fishing Rod Builder, Tennant, CA November 2018 - December 2018

Mastered the delicate craft of *split-cane bamboo rod* building. Acquired diverse skills in carpentry, engineering, and artistry. Mentored by Master rod-builder Russell Beck

The Fly Shop - Fly Fishing Instructor, Antelope Creek Ranch, CA July 2018 - September 2018

Instructed children and adults at FishCamp. Created weekly itineraries including lessons on fly casting, fly tying, knots, basic entomology, reading the water, leave-no-trace, and catch and release of trout in the stream and lakes

Jendela - Business Graphic Designer and Photographer, Healdsburg, CA June 2014 - July 2018

Increased sales through creation and management of company advertisements: created brochures, website, photographs of products used online, and handled social media

SEPI'S - Hostess/Server, Westwood, CA April 2017 - January 2018

Independently manage the restaurant floor: greet and escort guests, service tables, handle payments, and ensure customer satisfaction

Freelance - Photographer and Graphic Designer, CA

January 2013 - Present

Wedding Photography:

Plan photos with the bride/groom, schedule a separate shooting, shoot the wedding and execute post production

Portrait Photography:

Photograph family photos, senior portraits, graduation cards, cover images for articles, and LinkedIn photos

Graphic Design:

Design CD covers, shirts, hats, annual reports, banners, flyers, and menus for restaurants

GALLERIES.

The Gallery @ Workwell, Irvine, CA

October 2018 - Present

Invited to display and sell six different photography installations at Workwell

ARRIVE @ Laguna Design Center, Laguna Niguel, CA

April 2019

Featured artist at the Laguna Design Center's annual 'market' for VIP designers

UCLA BROAD Art Center, Los Angeles, CA

June 2018

Featured in the senior exhibition for the UCLA Art Department

SKILLS.

Photography and Design:

Photography studio experience, darkroom and developing experience, strong composition skills, and Adobe Creative Suite expertise

Woodworking:

Experience using various woodworking power tools and hand tools, focused attention, and ability to stay calm during stressful situations

Interpersonal Skills:

Organized, detail oriented, intellectual curiosity and teaching experience