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Summary

Friendly and hardworking team player with a background in volunteering for Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award and at Leeds Festival, experience in teaching music, volunteering at Leeds Festival with SSAFELUU, and running theatre productions as part of LUU Backstage Society

Experience

Volunteering as an AIR Hub assistant at Leeds Festival with SSAFELUU– 2024

- Worked an AIR (Assistance Information Response) Hub in the campsites of Leeds Festival six hours a day for three days
- Ensured the safety of festival attendees through situational monitoring, personal interaction, and radio communications – multitasking, keeping a level head under pressure, ability to reassure
- Learned radio protocol for communicating concisely and clearly with campsite management

Running An Election Campaign – 2024

- Created a poster to apply for a committee position of Welfare Officer for SSAFE (Suicide Support and Awareness For Everyone) at University of Leeds
- Quickly learnt how to use Inkscape to design my campaign poster
- Gave speech in front of fellow choir members to convince them why I would be a good manager
- I was voted in for Welfare Officer for SSAFE
- Initiative, problem solving, confidence, communication, public speaking

Leeds University Union Music Society – 2023-Present

- Weekly rehearsals to perform in three concerts in two choirs across the academic year – diligence
- Learned about useful vocal techniques to maximise the potential of the voice without damaging it – discipline, safety
- Accurately implement the constructive feedback from our conductor on each piece – active listening, reflective thinking
- Perform under pressure during each concert – confidence, courage
- Store all sheet music in an organised manner

Backstage Society – 2023-Present

- Efficiently learning and applying knowledge about sound and lighting systems – quick learning, application of knowledge, problem solving, and improvisation under pressure
- installing set, sound and lighting equipment before each show for at least 7 hours, and safely (taping cables etc.) – responsibility, risk awareness, stamina, teamwork, safe lifting technique

- Working as a team to accurately follow the production and adjust the sound mapping accordingly – concise communication, sound mixing
- Looking after fragile lighting and sound equipment – spatial awareness, stewardship

Tofts Tutors 2021-2022 – Teaching Music

- Taught piano to children, using music theory, regular and honest feedback to student and parents – communication, creativity, patience, empathy
- Established positive relationships with students, parents, fellow teachers, and school administrators – people skills, kindness

Grade 8 Piano (Distinction), Guitar (Merit), and Music Theory (Merit)

- Gained confidence, discipline, problem solving skills, and technical knowledge

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

- Practiced guitar, cycled, and volunteered at Parkrun, and completed a three-day expedition of hiking using a map, cooking, and camping
- Practiced problem solving, teamwork, responsibility, independence

Education

University of Leeds 2022-2025 – Civil Engineering BEng

- Group design projects to create a flood alleviation system, a raised walkway, a truss for a bridge, and a pavilion – teamwork, time management, technical knowledge, cost awareness, self-organization, empathetic communication
- Advanced mathematics, computer simulation, modelling, and programming (Matlab, Revit, Excel) - technical knowledge, learning systems, digital skills
- Sustainability, ethics of materials – environmental responsibility, understanding decision consequences
- Practical surveying - application of theory, problem solving, precision and accuracy, resilience, patience

Bexley Grammar School 2020-2022 – International Baccalaureate

- 35 out of 45 points
- Grade 6 (Literature and Performance, French)
- Grade 5 (History, Higher Music, Higher Maths, Higher Physics)
- Extended Essay in Neoclassical Music
- B in Theory of Knowledge Essay and Exhibition
- Learned time management, resilience, and creativity

Bexleyheath Academy 2015-2020 – GCSEs

- Nine GCSEs
- Six Grade 9s (Physics, Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Music, French)
- One Grade 8 (English Language)
- Two Grade 7s (English Literature, History)

References available on request.