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Education

Hampshire College (2016)   B.A. in Film and Video Production
Kingswood Oxford (2012)   High School Diploma

Work

Hampshire College Media Alumni Fellow (2017)
I was the primary resource for faculty and students of all skill levels needing media production assistance. I upgraded advanced media production facilities, designed and constructed a 4K broadcast TV studio with a cyclorama green screen, and operated a 3D printer/scanner. I also led workshops and lectured on color grading and video editing.

Teaching (2013 - 2017)
After college, I was hired as a regular guest instructor for a film course at Amherst College. During my undergraduate, I was a Teaching Assistant for three film courses, an assistant instructor for two years at the Creative Media Institute (a Summer film program), and created and taught a full semester video course completed by 12 college students.

Straight Ahead Pictures (2016 - 2017)
I was head of digital marketing, coded and designed a website, and shot video for a PBS *American Masters* film.

Journalism (2012 - 2015)
I worked as a staff writer and photography editor for *The Climax*, a print and web newspaper.
For 2 years I was an on-air host and producer for some of Hampshire College's most popular radio shows.

San Francisco Frozen Film Festival (2014)
I was in charge of promotional videos, social media marketing, fundraising, projection, selection, and curation of films.

Film and Technical

Since 2007, I've designed websites and produced over 100 videos for clients including: PBS, Yale University, Global Fibrosis Foundation, Cambridge University Press, and many more. I am highly skilled in the following roles:

Cinematographer DSLR (5DmkIII w/Magic Lantern), Blackmagic, Canon C100, GoPro, 16mm Bolex, Super 8

Editor, Colorist Adobe Premiere, After Effects, Photoshop, Final Cut Pro, DaVinci Resolve

Audio Engineer 5.1 surround and stereo recording/mixing: ProTools, Audition, Logic

Web Design, Coding Python, HTML, CSS, LaTeX, Arduino, Apple, Google, Microsoft, Squarespace, Wordpress

Lighting Designer Designing and drawing lighting plots for film and theatre productions

Photographer Digital, 35mm, medium format, and large format

Archivist Digitally transferring and preserving archaic media formats

Live Streaming Installation and live switching of audio and video streams for television, theatre, and conferences

Awards and Achievements

Tom Joslin Grant - Received funding for my thesis film *Nona* at Hampshire College   2016
Channel 101 - Director of Photography on *Darkville* (2 episodes), screened at UCB Theatre in New York   2015
Green Prize - Awarded for excellence in dramatics at Kingswood Oxford   2012
Williston-Northampton Film Festival - Director of a short film screened at the festival   2012