ARRON WARE

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PERSONAL STATEMENT

I am an enthusiastic and organised individual who is interested in teamworking in a customer service environment. Volunteering in the busiest charity shop in the centre of Manchester has given me valuable customer service skills that I believe make me perfect for this role. I have extensive experience with technology and great IT skills which would allow me to settle into this customer service environment quickly. I spend most of my free time taking film and digital photographs, which I then display on my portfolio website and make prints of.

I research film stocks and digital camera types extensively, so I would be able to recommend film stock with an informed opinion on what would work for the photographer's use cases. For example, if a photographer was to use a half frame film camera, I would recommend Portra 400 for its finer grain, and its ability to produce good quality images despite the smaller frame size.

I am often told I have a cheerful disposition, and I get on well with the older generation as well as being able to socialise with those my own age - I attend a monthly sewing group with older people at my local library. This unique perspective would make me the perfect person to help customers with their queries, as I am used to conversing with every age group.

EDUCATION

2022-2025

Manchester Metropolitan University Undergraduate Sound and Music Design (2:1)

- I have experience with designing sound effects for film clips to produce a realistic end result. These sounds varied from public ambient recordings to gory horror sound effects so that the clips could be brought to life.
- Scored a series of clips
- Created my own instrument out of discarded materials such as wine bottles and glasses, by attaching contact microphones on various elements inside the instrument, routing the current from them through speaker cable and out to instrument cable sockets.
- Created sonic branding material for podcasts, these were short sonic themes for the start, interlude, logo, and end of the podcast.
- As part of a branding unit, we were tasked with creating our own websites and promotional materials. I used my experience as a web developer to create my website from scratch (<u>arronware.com</u>), and this site contains some of my favourite sound projects I have embarked on.
- Created an entirely original piece to be performed as a group. This was to be constructed combining our own influences, abilities, and ideas. This developed my teamworking skills as we were paired with people of different backgrounds and skillsets.

2019-2022 Grimsby Institute College

- BTEC: Level 1/Level 2 Information and Creative Technology (Double Distinction*)
- T Level: Digital Production, Design and Development (Merit)

2014-2019 Oasis Academy Immingham/The Academy Grimsby

- GCSEs: Triple Science, English Lit/Lang, Mathematics, Film Studies, Computer Science, History
- BTEC: First Award in Creative Digital Media (Merit)

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

11/24-6/25 British Heart Foundation, Manchester Piccadilly

• I learned vital teamworking skills whilst working with my colleagues to organise stock and help different customers with their needs. I enjoyed meeting the different people who walked through the door of the shop each day, as I am a sociable person.

10/21-03/22 Boysen B

 I was tasked with producing websites that aimed to educate on various impacts of climate change. This developed my teamworking skills in a web development context, as the impact calculations I undertook utilised many factors which required group communication.

04/17 DFDS Seaways

 I had 2 weeks work experience at DFDS Seaways, where I spent a day with the software developers and with technical support. This required me to be on call with dispatch and configure the new office machines, which has furthered my confidence in communicating with specialised vocabulary whilst problem-solving.

RELEVANT INTERESTS

9/22-6/25 MMU Film Society Member

- As I am passionate about film, I regularly attended the university's film society meetings. This has strengthened my communication skills and my ability to converse with new people who share different tastes. I frequented HOME cinema countless times throughout my degree for inspiration and to observe film scores.
- I started a Photography Society at university that averages 20 members.

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- I am skilled at designing complex websites using HTML, PHP, SQL and CSS.
- Basic proficiency in video editing using software such as Adobe Premiere Pro.
- I am well-experienced in graphic design using software such as Adobe Photoshop and GIMP.
- I get to grips with new software quickly as it is an extensive part of my background and education.

CHARACTER REFERENCES

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