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SKILLS

Technical

Remote Pilot Cert with sUAS rating (Part 107) / DJI Mavic 3 Pro, Phantom 3, Mavic Air 2 / Autel EVO II Enterprise V3 / Adobe Premier (Professional Certification), Acrobat, Audition / Avid Media Composer (Certified Instructor) / Blackmagic 6K / RED Dragon / Canon C100, C200, 6D Mark II / Sony A7S / XDCAMs / Panasonic P2HDs / Bolex / Film / Boom Pole / Lavalier / Marantz / Zoom Recorders / Arris / LEDs / LUDs / HMIs / Aputure Novas / MovieMagic Screenwriter / Final Draft / Celtex / Canvas / BlackBoard / Zoom / Directing / Producing / Script Writing, Screenwriting / Microsoft Office / Google Apps / Mac, PC / CPR, AED, First Aid and Oxygen for the Professional Rescuer Certified

Attributes

Funny / Kind / Compassionate / Teammate / Leader / Adaptable / Listener / Work Horse / Creative / Determined / Prioritizes / Delegates

EMPLOYMENT

Five Towns College – Dix Hills, NY

2023—Present

Professor '23-'24, Interim Chair of the Film & Television Department '24-'25, Chair of FTV '25-Present

- Courses: Drone Cinematography, Documentary Production, Introductory Production, Editing 1-3, Script Writing, Screenwriting, Film History, Senior Project 2
- Curriculum redesign to enhance sequencing of courses, develop new courses, vet and hire faculty
- Conduct monthly faculty/staff and student senator meetings, assist in recruitment, speak at schools and film festivals
- Co-director of end of the year film festival, established the semiannual Collaboration Day event
- Updated Student Learning Assessment Plan, artifact rubrics and mission report for 2025-26
- Evidence collector for MSCHE accreditation
- Advisor to FTV students, Music Video Club and Film Club

Hofstra University – Hempstead, NY

2018—2021

Adjunct professor Lawrence Herbert School of Communication and E-Sports Club Advisor

- Consecutively evaluated within university standards in the Course and Teacher Report.
- Explained how to analyze, think critically and deliver podcasts, shows, movies and emerging media.
- Injected experiences as an independent filmmaker, LLC owner, freelancer and actor into lessons.
- Created and adapted the syllabus for my class to be in-person and online.
- Taught a diverse student body from various majors, advised students outside of class.
- Inspired and challenged students to pursue their dreams as broadcasters, producers, writers and talent.
- Presented an array of material from the first days of filmmaking through today.
- Communicate effectively and efficiently to young adults and coworkers from all walks of life.

Toorot – Garden City, NY

2017—Present

My production company for movies, podcasts and e-books / www.toorotvillage.com

- Research and determine the best financial choices from third parties, hire employees
- Schedule shoot locations and dates, rent equipment, coordinate transportation, catering and lodging.
- Write, direct, produce, edit and plan all productions, yet seek input from my network and team.
- “BTB” – A family prepares to leave for a party, but they are not prepared for the knock at their door.
 - Garden State Film Festival winner best short screenplay – 2024 winner
 - New York Screenwriting Awards, Grande Stories Screenplay Competition – 2023 selection
- “Monster Bed” – A son tries to convince his father a monster is under his bed.

10.27.2025

- San Diego Independent FF – 2023 selection, American Gold Intl., Twin Rivers, Point Lookout, Austin Life-Off, Calcasieu Parish, Marina del Rey F.F. – 2022 selection
- “Readings From Religious Texts” – Podcast where I read from religious texts.
 - Spotify, Google Podcasts, Amazon, Player FM, Podcast Index, Apple Podcasts and more.
- “Keys Tell All” – A fixer exposes a thief by explaining the meaning of his key chain arrangement.
 - NJ International Short, Ozark Star F.F. – 2021 selection

Jones Beach Lifeguard Corps – Long Island, NY

2013—Present

Lieutenant

2018—2022

- Promoted due to exemplary leadership, skills and work ethic.
- Responsible for nine miles of waterfront therefore must act and think quickly.
- Led and delegated a seven-person lifeguard team, plus five employees in a different department.
- Assessed hazardous situations, lesion between lifeguards, park supervisor, EMS and police.
- Drilled lifeguards on CPR, first aid, emergency protocols and water and land rescues.

Boswain

2015—2018

- Accomplished seasonal schedules, filed accident reports and oversaw daily operations.

Lifeguard

2013—Present

- Pilot the drone to identify dangerous marine life and conduct search & rescue missions.
- First responder to emergency situations, provided first aid and surveyed the water.
- Volunteer for overtime at a moment’s notice to ensure my co-worker’s and the public’s safety.

DJ Pierce – New York, NY

2017—2019

Assistant editor to an award-winning creative director

- Edited documentaries, lectures, music videos, concert, promos, testimonials and trailers.
- Established workflow for fluid transitions between team members and freelancers.
- Catalogued videos, photos, processed translations into editable text and closed captioning.

EDUCATION

Hofstra University – Hempstead, NY

2011—2016

Master of Fine Arts: Documentary Studies & Production

- “The Game of Many Names” – A short history of lacrosse and how it spread throughout the world.
 - Hollywood North F.A – 2021 winner best vfx & color
 - Madrid F.A. – 2021 semi-finalist best director, cinematography, screenplay, short doc, poster
 - LIIFE, The Film Collective, MIFF, NYLIFF, Ozark Star F.F. – 2021 selection
 - The Bridgeport F.F. – 2021 honorable mention, Miami Independent F.F. – 2019 selection
- “BOOM” – A short on the Long Island Roller Rebels, a female roller derby team.
- “Indrani Kopal” – Malaysian filmmaker who overcame cultural hardships to pursue her dream.

Hofstra University – Hempstead, NY

2007—2010

Bachelor of Arts: Film Studies & Production – Minor: Creative Writing

- “Another Saturday Night” – A cautious man creeps around his home in silence.
- “Gett’n High on Life” – Life through the eyes of a skydiver.
- “Tea Time Redux” – A man occupies his time while waiting for water to boil.

Drexel University – Philadelphia, PA

2005—2007

- “Phil Gushue: Skateboarder” – A biography on a friend who loves skateboarding.
- “Marvin: Term 2” – An educational piece on how sound works.

Chaminade High School – Mineola, NY

2001—2005