

Madeline Kaminski

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SUMMARY

Creative and detail-oriented fashion designer specializing in eveningwear and bridal design. Skilled in couture draping and sewing, fashion illustration, and embellishment development, with a strong understanding of the full design-to-production process. Passionate about creating timeless elegant pieces that combine technical precision with romantic artistry to make women feel beautiful.

SKILLS

Fashion Illustration • Draping • Sewing • Patternmaking • Couture Construction • Embellishment Design • Fabric & Trim Sourcing • Adobe Photoshop & Illustrator • Procreate • Microsoft Office Suite

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

BCI Brands, New York, NY — Associate Eveningwear Designer

October 2024–Present

- Lead design development for the MSK Evening line, including market research, concept creation, sketching, fittings, and fabric/trim selection.
- Collaborate with in-house atelier on draping, sewing, and finishing techniques to achieve elevated and detailed craftsmanship for showroom samples.
- Develop custom beading layouts, fabrics, and trims in partnership with local and overseas vendors.
- Aid in production process by creating BOMs and style information sheets, approving bulk colors and fabrics, and attending fittings.
- Attend buyer appointments and analyze sales reports to incorporate feedback on consumer preferences into future collections.

Koltson, New York, NY — Design Assistant

May 2022–October 2024

- Coordinated the full design lifecycle from sketch to production, working as the “right hand” to Creative Director and founder Robert Rodriguez
- Communicated with patternmakers and local factories in development, and department stores in production.
- Sourced and selected luxury fabrics and trims for seasonal collections.
- Assisted in fittings, created technical sketches, and completed BOMs and production cost sheets.
- Helped develop prints and embellishments inspired by fine art and couture collaborations.

Halston, New York, NY — Design Assistant

July 2021–November 2022

- Supported design team through sketching, fabric allocation, color story development, and proto/SMS fittings.
- Created detailed technical flats, line sheets, and Bill of Materials for overseas development.
- Partnered with in-house atelier to create couture-level designs, unique silhouettes, and refine fit.

Paula Varsalona Bridal, New York, NY — Design & Production Assistant

March 2021–June 2021

- Supported patternmaking, hand sewing, and embellishment placement for one-of-a-kind designs.
- Engaged with private clientele in custom fittings; sketched final designs and interpreted flats for the production department.

Kate Spade & White House Black Market — Sales Associate

June 2018–August 2019

- Delivered personalized styling experiences and assisted clients in selecting attire for special occasions.

INTERNSHIPS

Oscar de la Renta | Badgley Mischka | Dennis Basso

Supported design teams in luxury eveningwear and ready-to-wear, assisting with all aspects of design development for seasonal collections.

EDUCATION

Fashion Institute of Technology (FIT), SUNY — Bachelor of Fine Arts, Fashion Design: Special Occasion

Minors: Italian Language & Art History | Presidential Scholar, FIT Honors Program | Dean’s List

Politecnico di Milano, Milan, Italy — Fashion Design Study Abroad

Polimoda, Florence, Italy — Fashion Design Study Abroad