# **Kyle Gaunt**

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# **Professional Summary**

Graduate of Hofstra University's communications department with a major in Film Studies & Production. Director of an Award-Winning short film called The Necklace. In between the various transportation and sales-related jobs obtained since graduation, the communication skills both inside and outside of my field are continuing to be honed. Available to work.

Authorized to work in the US for any employer

# Work Experience

### **Driver**

Eatzy-Old Saybrook, CT July 2023 to Present

- · Customer service
- Communicates with dispatch

# Freelance Photographer/Videographer

**KJGPictures** 

September 2022 to Present

- Photography and Videography work
- Photographing artists during concert and private showcases
- Utilizes website and social media to display the photos

# Cinematographer/Editor

8 Squad Rebel Radio-Newark, NJ February 2025 to March 2025

- Shot & edited intro promo for a new radio podcast
- Utilized graphics from Adobe Premiere
- Plays at the start of every episode

#### **Production Assistant**

FACTS-Harrisburg, PA July 2024 to September 2024

- Helped set up equipment
- · Used walkie-talkie to communicate with AD
- Served as an extra for second unit
- · Help organize music festival event

### Writer/Director

Smodcactle-Guilford, CT

March 2024 to March 2024

- Participated in a short film competition
- Competition created by filmmaker Kevin Smith
- Selected among over 160 submissions
- Screened in person at festival in New Jersey

### Writer/Director

The Necklace-Branford, CT June 2023 to December 2023

- Wrote and Directed inspired passion project
- Created completely separate from school system
- Currently an award-winner

#### Sales

Donner Photographic Inc.-Connecticut April 2022 to June 2023

- Seasonal Job
- Sell Photographs at schools & dance academies
- Constant communication with customers, even over the phone
- Travel extensively

### **1st Assistant Camera**

Just Shania Productions-Montclair, NJ April 2023 to April 2023

- Assisted the Director of Photography
- Slate/Clapboard operator

# **Press Photographer**

Collab Entertainment INC-Salisbury, NC January 2023 to January 2023

· Received official media/press photographer pass

#### **Camera Production Assistant**

BUCK Design-Red Hook, NY January 2022 to January 2022

- Assisted Camera Operator
- Accrued \$200 compensation

### **2nd Assistant Camera**

Mannatee Films-New York, NY October 2021 to October 2021

- Assisted the construction/deconstruction of camera (a Canon c300 Mark II) & Monitor
- Transported cast/crew to and from set
- In charge of the slate
- Transported equipment to and from G&E truck
- \$200/Day Compensation

# Film Director/Screenwriter

Kill Me Dead-New York, NY April 2021 to May 2021

- Senior Thesis Film to complete college degree
- Wrote the screenplay
- Casted all actors

### **Production Assistant - NOISY**

To and Fro Productions-New York, NY August 2019 to August 2019

- Currently an Award-Winning Short Film
- Assisted in production
- Aided in subway transportation of actors
- Kept camera equipment secured

# Education

### **Bachelor's in Film Studies And Production**

Hofstra University - Hempstead, NY September 2017 to June 2021

### Skills

- Customer service
- Social media management
- Adobe Premiere (4 years)
- Filming (4 years)
- Sales
- Adobe Lightroom (3 years)
- Negotiation
- Adobe Photoshop (3 years)
- Construction
- Photography (3 years)
- Microsoft Office (8 years)
- Strategic planning
- Driving

## Links

https://kjgpictures.com

https://www.instagram.com/kjgpictures/

https://www.imdb.com/name/nm10004725/?ref\_=nv\_sr\_srsg\_0

## **Semi-Finalist - The Necklace**

September 2024

- Semi finalist for an international film festival, Serbest
- Premiered online

## **Honorable Mention - The Necklace**

February 2024

- Nomination for Best Short Film
- Recurring festival SoCal Film Awards

#### **Award Winner of Merit - The Necklace**

January 2024

- Among the Top 10 Short Films selected
- Award Winner for The Necklace (2023)
- Online Festival Event

## Official Selection - SoCal Film Awards

January 2022

Thesis film Kill me Dead was Officially Selected to appear in the online film festival, SoCal Film Awards

# Certifications and Licenses

### **Driver's License**

July 2023 to July 2031

## Additional Information

- Proficiency in Adobe Premiere Pro and Photoshop
- Assisted in the sale of boulders to the Montauk Lighthouse in 2021
- Played baseball, soccer, track, and cross-country
- Managed YouTube channel since 2015