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Education:

Emerson College, Boston, MA (B.A. in Film)
Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT

Dates:

Spring 2023 - Fall 2024
Fall 2020 - Fall 2021

Freelance & Filmmaking:

720 Studios, CEO, Founder

Fall 2014 - Present

- Creator of original films, series & live productions on YouTube
- Directs, acts, writes, produces, and edits over a dozen originals, including *Sketch-Up*, *The Greenwaltz Experience*, *The Culturalist*, *Student Council*, and *Influence'r*
- Directed a variety show fundraiser, *Let's Make a Difference*, to benefit The Actor's Fund in 2020

The Ross School, Summer Film Instructor - East Hampton & Bridgehampton, NY

Summers 2015 - 2025

- Created a filmmaking & stop-motion animation curriculum for kids ages 6 - 15
- Taught students editing using iMovie, Adobe Premiere Pro, and Final Cut Pro X softwares
- Trained students in crafting treatments & scripts, learning set etiquette, and understanding basic filmmaking techniques
- Managed original film showcases throughout the summer

The Birch Wathen Lenox School, Contract Videographer & Editor - New York, NY

Fall 2019 - Present

- Edit and film segments for the performing arts department

LTV Studios, Freelance Video Editor - East Hampton, NY

Fall 2020

- Edited and created promos for various LTV programming

Freelance, Filmmaking, Streaming & Tutoring - New York & East Hampton, NY

Fall 2016 - Present

- Curate filming and streaming setups for a project's specific needs
- Craft, teach, and coach students in screenwriting and filmmaking
- Edited art galleries, regional theatrical productions, and birthday videos.

Additional Professional Experience:

Studio 71, Creator Partnerships Comedy Intern - Beverly Hills, CA

Summer 2024

- Assembled comedy talent lists and summaries for prospects
- Organized and completed daily tasks for the Associate Director of Comedy

Executive Assistant for Bonnie Comley & Stewart Lane - New York, NY

January 2022 - Present

- Assists in day-to-day tasks for the heads of BroadwayHD and The Drama League
- Assess new and upcoming New York City Theatre Productions for investment opportunities
- Specializes in personal video editing & technological work

BroadwayWorld, Freelance/Event Writer - New York, NY

April 2022 - Present

- Writes reviews, event pieces, and press releases, including the *Drama League Awards*
- Published over 50 articles and counting

WECB Radio Host @ Emerson College - Boston, MA

Spring 2023 - Fall 2024

- Hosted a four-season music variety show, "Yesterday, After Noon!"

Skills:

Software: Final Cut Pro X, OBS, Microsoft Word, Google Drive Suites, Celtx, Final Draft, Adobe Premiere, Lightroom, Photoshop, FlipAClip, (Animator) Youtube, X, Bluesky, Instagram, and Meta Suite.

Performance: On-stage experience (acting throughout High School and College), teaching and public speaking

Technical: Apple devices, Nikon, Canon, & Black Magic Cameras and digitizing media (DVDs + Printed Photos)