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Education

University of California at Los Angeles
Los Angeles, California
2001– 2005
B.A., Design|Media Arts

Bellarmino College Preparatory
San Jose, California
1998 – 2001

Professional Experience

Tour Guide

Cosanti Foundation at Arcosanti
November 2005

- o Introduced the history, architecture, and philosophy of Paolo Soleri to tourists
- o Guided tourists around the site, detailing the design and functionality of the architecture
- o Answered tourists questions about Paolo Soleri, Arcosanti, and Archology Theory

Bronze Bell Artisan

Cosanti Foundation at Arcosanti

October 2005 – November 2005

- o Molded, designed, and assembled the Soleri Bronze Wind-bells to be sold commercially worldwide
- o Produced wind-bell accessories such as the brass hanging rods and brass wind fins
- o Maintained safety and cleanliness of the workspace

Graphic Designer

Arcosanti Planning Department

August 2005 – October 2005

- o Developed the Arcosanti 2006 Workshop brochure for Planning Director Tomiaki Tamura
- o Assisted in coordinating printing details with the printer

Resident Assistant

Office of Residential Life at UCLA

2004 – 2005

- o Acted as the Co-Resident Assistant in DeNeve Evergreen's 'Opportunity in the Arts' theme floor
- o Established personal relationships with the 87 students on the floor to provide counseling for academic and personal issues
- o Advised the floor government and encouraged the development of leadership
- o Maintained community appearance and safety standards
- o Organized programs and events in order to cultivate a greater coherency of community, to provide opportunities for personal growth, to increase academic successes, and to encourage leadership development, always with the larger intention of promoting the appreciation of diversity
- o Handled emergency situations, responded to needs of residents, and ensured the proper evacuation procedures in the case of fire/earthquake/etc.

Designer

Crescent Magazine in San Jose, CA

Summer 2004

- o Designer – worked on page layout, article thematic concepts, and manipulation of images
- o Assistant to editor – read articles, accompanied to events, gathered materials

Student Leader

Office of Residential Life at UCLA

2003 – 2004

- o Served as the President of the Hitch Suites Residents' Association and oversaw the Hitch Student Leaders and the smaller building government associations
- o Organized programs and events in order to provide residents with opportunities to form new relationships, improve academic performance, grow as individuals, and develop leaderships skills
- o Facilitated the weekly association meetings and prepared the agenda while also representing the Hitch Suites at weekly Policy Review Board meetings and On Campus Housing Council meetings
- o Prepared and handled the association's budget with the Association's Controller

Professional Experience continued

Barrista

Green Tea Terrace in Westwood, Los Angeles

2002 – 2005

- o Prepared drinks, food items, and classic Japanese teas provided feedback on the quality of product
- o Provided information about products and sold bulk tea and tea accessories
- o Maintained the cleanliness of the kitchen, displays, workspace, bathrooms, and customer seating areas

Designer

Advertisements Staff of Campus Events Commission at UCLA

2002 – 2005

- o Designed advertisements for newspaper, handout and poster medias for campus-wide distribution of information on events
- o Acted as general clerical staff in the office by answering phones, handling public relations and taking messages

Caretaker/Nanny

Portman Family in San Jose, CA

Summers of 2002 – 2004

- o Provided responsible supervision for two young brothers
- o Handled chores and driving duties for the family
- o Accompanied the children throughout their day and acted as a role model and companion
- o Encouraged reading, athletics, creative activities and excursions to places throughout the city in order to enrich the boys' summer experience

Co-curricular Involvement & Accomplishments

- o Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity (2001– 2002)
- o Dining and Environment Representative for Hitch Suites, C Building (2002 – 2003)
- o Writer/Photographer for Pacific Ties, UCLA's Pacific Islander and Asian American Quarterly News Magazine (Winter 2004)
- o Laughing Club at UCLA (2004)
- o Higher Energy Healing Society/Spiral (2003 – 2004)
- o California Students for Sustainability Coalition (2004 – 2005)
- o Recipient of UCLA Design|Media Arts Scholarship Studio Competition 2003; Best Design for Print Media
- o Program Hall of Fame for "Enhance Your Academics with Green Tea and Other Healthy Habits" (November 2004)
- o Office of Residential Life Recognition Award (May 2004)
- o Arts Bridge Instructor with Mrs. Lim's 2nd grade class at Braddock Dr. Elementary in Culver City, Los Angeles (2005)

Skills

- o Highly proficient with graphic and multimedia softwares including Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign, Macromedia Flash and Dreamweaver, Logic, Final Cut Pro, and most basic computer softwares
- o Knowledge of HTML, Flash, and limited knowledge of PHP/MySQL
- o Proficient with sound recording and editing software/hardware: LogicPro
- o Comfortable with both Macintosh and Personal Computers
- o Flourishing interpersonal communication/listening skills
- o Experimental chef and baker
- o Poet and Vocalist
- o Energy Worker/Healer

Additional Material

I also enclose two links that will provide one with a perspective of the work I have done with digital, software-based medias:

- a) An experimental document prepared with the intention of providing an interface between myself, my works, and the wide world via the Internet:
<http://classes.design.ucla.edu/Winter05/159/projects/michael/>
- b) The most recent motion graphics class taken at UCLA and the works I produced through it:
<http://classes.design.ucla.edu/Spring05/155/projects/michael/>

References (upon request)