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**Professional Objective**

To obtain an entry-level position that will allow creative growth and professional advancement.

**Highlight of Qualifications**

* Exceptional communication and interpersonal skills; thrives in team environments
* Notable organization skills; able to organize and execute ideas
* Refined time management skills; able to prioritize and complete tasks
* Excellent leadership skills; able to lead others and able to receive direction

**Skills**

* Proficient in Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Bridge, Adobe illustrator
* DSLR: Proficient Nikon cameras, Raw Image handling
* Proficient in Mac and PC

**Work Experience**

03/17 – current **Portrait Photographer/ Sale Associate** Charlotte, NC

 **Portrait Innovation**

* Photographing and posing client in studio depending on clients needs
* Selling photo packages and create specialty products
* Maintaining photo studio, props, lighting and camera equipment

11/14 – current **Creative Professional-**

 **Freelance** Charlotte, NC

* CAD design; Jewelry and Sculpture
* Digital Photography; lifestyle, fashion and special occasions
* Photo Retouching, Restoration, Manipulation - Ra
* Graphic Design, Branding and Social Media Campaign
* Creative Direction - concept, hair, make-up, model
* Manage & Host client files via cloud

08/16 – 12/16 **CAD & Jewelry Design Consultant**

 **Delgado’s Jewelers** Charlotte, NC

* Designing custom urban jewelry
* Photographing current stock and new jewelry
* Editing/ Retouch jewelry Images
* Managing and operating Form 2 3D printer on a daily basis to ensure quality control

11/14 – 08/16 **CAD Designer** Charlotte, NC

 **Skatell’s Manufacturing Jewelers**

* Design custom fine jewelry by using unique stock gemstones for inventory
* Modernize customer’s jewelry by rebuilding it to meet specific desires and current jewelry trends
* Partner with sales associates to review design details such as cost, weight, style, and durability
* Manage and operate 3D printer and CNC mill on a daily basis to ensure quality control
* Troubleshoot with in-store Bench jewelers to create models that can be easily cast and stone set

08/10 – 05/14 **Documentation Lab Technician** Rock Hill, SC

 **Winthrop University**

* Assisted students with documentation of two dimensional and three dimensional art in digital photography
* Instructed students in professional raw editing techniques in Adobe Photoshop
* Created relationships with students and provided motivation and artistic critique for overall student retention
* Maintained the productivity and accessibility of all computers, software and studio for student u

**Education**

**Winthrop University** Rock Hill, SC

Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree, 05/14

 Concentrations: Jewelry Design

* Developed a strong comprehension and appreciation of aesthetics in commercial, fine and fashion jewelry
* Obtained knowledge of traditional and technologically innovative design and fabrication skills to produce prototypes
* Excelled in concept development by creating sketches, models, samples resulting in progressive design iterations
* Course with Sculpture, Digital Photography, Graphic Design and Color Theory

**Activities and Associations**

* Sub Committee Member, **SIGGRAPH Conference 2017** Los Angeles, CA
* Content Photographer, **TXTURE Magazine** Charlotte, NC
* Sub Committee Member, **SIGGRAPH Conference 2016** Anaheim, CA
* Sub Committee Member, **SIGGRAPH Conference 2015** Los Angeles, CA
* Jewelry Stylist, Kortu Momolu, **New York Fashion Week FW ’14**  New York, NY
* Sub Committee Member/ Exhibitor, **SIGGRAPH Conference 2014** Vancouver, BC
* Instructor, **Computing and Jewelry Design Camp 2014** Rock Hill, SC
* Creative Director/ Designer, **Salute to Couture Benefit Fashion Show** Rock Hill, SC
* Sub Committee Member, **SIGGRAPH Conference 2013** Anaheim, CA
* Participant, **Radical Jewelry Makeover**  Charlotte, NC

**References available on request.**