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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts in Film Media Theatre

Expected Graduation MAY 2025

Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA, USA

GPA: 3.92 / 4.00

Relevant Coursework: Talking Pictures: Intro Film; Acting I; Latin American Film History; Introduction to Theater; Short Eyes Practicum; Intro to Video Production; Women Experimental Filmmakers; Directing Actors for Screen; Audio Storytelling; Media & Sexuality; Marisol Practicum; Experimental Video; Fandom Studies; Envisioning Apocalypse; Music & Film (audit)

Honors & Awards: 21st Century Scholar and Mount Holyoke Fund Scholar 2022-23

Set Etiquette 101

Completed JULY 2023

IATSE Local 849 (Valid until JULY 2025)

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE (Film and Media)

President/Co-Founder – MHC Photography Club, Mount Holyoke College

AUG 2024 - PRESENT

- Create first photography-focused club at Mount Holyoke; run workshops; host events on campus and off; cultivate a thriving community of photographers; craft budget for first year and ensure the longevity of the club

Production Company Intern – Mind's Eye Productions, Remote

JUN 2024 - AUG 2024

- Assist filmmaker Deirdre Fishel with pre-production tasks for new documentary, including archival research and securing funders

Office & Communications Assistant – Division of Student Life, Mount Holyoke College

JUN 2024 - AUG 2024

- Provided office support to DSL; created and managed content for official school social media accounts, incl. crafting original ideas

Photographer – Mount Holyoke Dance Department, Mount Holyoke College

APR 2024

- Shot Student Choreography Concert over two evenings and edited photos in Adobe Lightroom; delivered photos within 5 days

Stage Crew – Student Involvement, Mount Holyoke College

DEC 2023 - PRESENT

- Manage tech such as sound reinforcement, lighting design, projection design, and coordinate staging logistics with performers for campus events

Jury Member/Print Trafficking – 5 College Film Festival, Five College Consortium

DEC 2023 - MAR 2024

- Organize film festival for the five colleges with representatives from each; track submissions and determine projections for day

Head Editor & Photographer – Don't Blink Media, Smith College

OCT 2023 - DEC 2023

- Collaborate with the production team and other editors; photograph stills during production and pre-production work

Photographer – MHN, Mount Holyoke College

OCT 2023 - PRESENT

- Complete various photo assignments for Mount Holyoke News

FMT Department Student Liaison – FMT Department, Mount Holyoke College

AUG 2023 - PRESENT

- Coordinate events for students in the FMT department with the other liaisons; host weekly study hours (Writers Room)

Traffic Director – WMHC Radio, Mount Holyoke College

APR 2023 - PRESENT

- Handle PSAs and station mail as a member of the WMHC board; participate in organizing concert events on campus

Marketing & Communications Intern – Welcome Change Productions, Remote

JUNE 2023 - AUG 2023

- Completed weekly tasks for social media platforms as well as editing transcripts and videos
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OTHER EXPERIENCE

Stage Manager – Mount Holyoke College

Short Eyes (Assistant, SEPT 2022 - NOV 2022) / **Marisol** (Assistant, NOV 2023 - MAR 2024) / **Short Play Festival** (SEPT 2024 - DEC 2024)

- Perform basic stage management duties including cleaning the stage before/after rehearsals, attending production meetings, setting up and striking the set, taking rehearsal and blocking notes, and assisting with scene changes during the show
 - As Stage Manager, call the show during technical rehearsals and the show run, be the point person for any crew or actor in the show, make sure the show runs according to plan
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SKILLS

Digital -

Adobe Premiere Pro, Audition, Lightroom, and Photoshop; Pixelmator Pro; Nikon DSLR; Microsoft Excel and Word; Final Cut Pro; Canon DSLR; Google Suite; Zoom H4N Recorder; Shotgun mics; Lavalier mics; Python; Java; VS Code; Sound mixing; Lighting design; Theater rigging; Canva Pro; Social Media Management; Film Photography

Language -

English (native) and American Sign Language (proficient)