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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts in **Art**, emphasis in **Photography**
Minors in **Mass Communications** and **Communication Studies**
Minnesota State University Moorhead (MSUM) Moorhead, MN May 2013

- Maintained **3.91 GPA** while working 15 hours per week
- **Dean's List** 8 semesters
- **President's Honor** 1 year

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Photography Intern, Spotlight Media Inc., Fargo, ND December 2012-Present

- Leading photography assignments for four publications and writing articles
- Widen range of photographic skills by organizing setups and editing of photographs for publication
- Increase communication skills with coworkers, clients and models

Associate/Photographer, JC Penney Portrait Studio, Fargo, ND July 2011-Oct

- Strengthen and apply photography skills in portraiture settings
- Employ teamwork and utilize creativity when creating and selling photographs

MSUM Photography Guild Jan 2011-Present

- Public Relations officer 2 years
- Participate with organizing fundraising events, exhibitions and photoshoots
- Exhibit in Focal Point Gallery, Moorhead, MN, and Various F/M area locations

EMPLOYMENT

Office Assistant, Disability Services, MSUM, MN Sept 2009-Present

- Develop customer service and communication skills while answering phones, addressing student concerns, directing questions and scheduling appointments
- Selected by supervisor to train new employees
- Strengthen responsibility in the workplace by leading projects, completing and filing confidential forms and agreements and proctoring exams

Seasonal Paraprofessional, Kids Play, St. Michael, MN May 2008-Aug 2010

- Show leadership and responsibility while providing daycare services for K-3 grade children
- Help prepare and supervise crafts and games for children; chaperone field trips

INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY

Scotland, Summer 2012

- Compile an artistic portfolio and exhibit work at Roland Dille Center for the Arts
- Student Artist Residency at Hospitalfield House

Italy, Summer 2011

- Compile digital print portfolios on subjects of street and travel photography
- Hold residence in Florence, Italy while traveling and exploring multiple cities

SKILLS

- Well-developed computer skills in Microsoft Word, Excel, and Access as well as Adobe Photoshop, Bridge, InDesign, and Lightroom
- Skilled in digital and film photographic processes
- Experienced in gallery matting and exhibition

AWARDS

- 2013 Finalist, Photographer's Forum Magazine 33rd Best of College Photography
- 2012 Finalist, Photographer's Forum Magazine 32nd Best of College Photography

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2013 Franklin Arts Center Resident Artists Gallery, *Bloom*, Curator Martin Nelson, Brainerd, MN
5 locations, *Perspectives of Emerging Artists: A Traveling Show*, Moorhead, MN and Fargo, ND
Roland Dille Center for the Arts Gallery, *Bachelor of Arts Show*, Curator Naomi Schliesman,
Moorhead, MN
1650 Gallery, *Stop the Cloud, I want to Get Off... The Art of Instagram*, Curator Andrew Overtoom,
Los Angeles, CA
- 2012 Roland Dille Center for the Arts Gallery, *Scotland 2012: Dinnae Fash Yersel & Keep Yer Heid*,
Curator Naomi Schliesman, Moorhead, MN
- 2011 Focal Point Gallery, *Photography Guild Exhibition*, Curator Don Clark, Moorhead, MN

BIBLIOGRAPHY

- 2013 Photographer's Forum Magazine 33rd Annual Best of College & High School Photography 2013,
Juror Steve LaVoie, Linda Lowell, Rob Winner, Finalist Page TBA
- 2012 Photographer's Forum Magazine 32nd Annual Best of College & High School Photography 2012,
Juror Janet Bonsall, Christopher Broughton, Mark Takeuchi, Finalist Page 193
- 2012 Fall Area Voices, Shane Mercer, <http://fall.areavoices.com/2012/09/19/leaves-in-marble-red/>

RESIDENCIES

- 2012 Student Residency, Hospitalfield Centre for Art and Culture, Arbroath, Angus, UK

PERMANENT COLLECTIONS

- 2013 John Neumaier Hall, Minnesota State University Moorhead, Moorhead, MN 56560