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Seasoned, Emmy Award-winning editor with 16 years of comprehensive experience creating inspiring stories for clients and audiences worldwide. Passionate, authentic demeanor, and heart-centered approach, pairing tailored thoughtfulness with seasoned technical skills to elevate any team she joins in unexpected ways.



Work History

Jan 2010 - **Senior Editor, President**

Current

Vespera Films, Lawrence, KS

- Engineer high-impact, meaningful creative projects from concept to completion, including trailers, fundraising and promotional content for company campaigns.
- Work with internal and external creative teams to assist with manifestation of marketing strategies and advertising initiatives used to promote company to community members.
- Recruit, hire and train top creative candidates with eye for performance, collaborative and interpersonal skills.
- Negotiate vendor contracts and services to meet budget requirements.
- Oversee full teams of writers, artists, designers and project managers.
- Direct work of lighting and sound crews to coordinate efficient production operations as well as optimal end product.
- Comprehensive organization of files associated with multiple projects both locally and across multiple artists.
- Assess final products to check quality and consistency with creative vision.

May 2010 - **Guest Speaker & Teacher**

Current

Various Colleges, Lawrence, KS

- Designing dynamic presentations exploring creative conceptualization, storytelling intuition, editing technique, workflow recommendations, and technical strategy.
- Guiding students through creation of long form documentary using trade secrets as a guide for story structure and flow.
- Mentoring students towards overall evolution as storytelling artists.



Jan 2018 - **Wix Website Designer**

Current

Arcadia Web Designs, Lawrence, KS

- Illustrated page design concepts by blending arrangement, style and aesthetic elements to meet predetermined preferences.



Aug 2005 - **Lead Video Editor**

May 2010

Take Two Productions, Kansas City, MO

- Participated in creative meetings to assist in developing ideas and defining project deadlines.
- Evaluated and selected scenes for pacing, entertainment value and continuity , trim shots and edit content.
- Organized assets by collecting data from camera media, transcoding video and audio files and managing file backup to digital asset management system.
- Developed and managed projects from concept to completion, including storyboards, post-production editing and final delivery formats.



Skills



Adobe Creative Cloud Suite

◆◆◆◆◆
Very Good



Organization

◆◆◆◆◆
Excellent



Communication

◆◆◆◆◆
Very Good



Leadership

◆◆◆◆◆
Very Good



Mentoring

◆◆◆◆◆
Excellent



Public Speaking

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Very Good



Education



Jul 2021 - **Associate of Science: Radiologic Technology (in Progress)**

Current

Washburn University of Topeka - Topeka, KS



Aug 2020 - **Associate of Science: Prerequisite Classes**

May 2021

Johnson County Community College - Overland Park, KS



Aug 1999 - **Bachelor of Fine Arts: Experimental Film & Sound**

Dec 2003

Kansas City Art Institute - Kansas City, MO



Awards

- Best Editor Nominee, Oniros Film Awards Italy, 2018
- Best Editor, First City Film Festival, 2018
- International Distribution – Gaiam TV, 2015, "The Angel in Red" Short Film
- Best in Show, Philly Awards, 2012
- Mid-America Emmy® Award for Best Cultural Documentary, Co-Director, Editor, "The Next American Dream" Documentary, 2010



Volunteer Work

- Hospice Volunteer, Elara Caring - Spring 2020 to present
- Mentor for video editors
- Neighborhood Community Leader, Organizer & Facebook Administrator



Hobbies

- Health & Fitness
- Vegan Cooking & Baking
- Yoga
- Psychology
- Spirituality, Mindfulness & Meditation
- Music
- Homemaking
- Animals & Nature
- Candle making & crafts
- Films