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Experience

August 2020 - May 2021

Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY - *Woodshop Supervisor*

- Supervised students to ensure safe and proper use of tools and materials
- Performed routine maintenance and cleaning of a wide variety of woodworking tools
- Performed routine rehabilitation of the workspace as needed

June 2017 - June 2019

Candy Relics LLC, Portland, OR - *Production Manager/Maker*

- Managed production workloads to meet delivery deadlines for wholesale orders
- Fabricated prototypes for future products
- Performed various types of ceramic production tasks (slip-making, slip casting, trimming, assembling, moldmaking, kiln loading, glazing)

March 2015 - June 2019

Mudshark Studios LLC, Portland OR - *Production Worker*

- Performed various production tasks for ceramics production, including trimming, casting, assembling, and glazing
- Train new employees on all tasks mentioned above
- Have a minimal role in interdepartmental communications

August 2012 - December 2014

Material Good, Seattle, WA - *Production Manager/Maker*

- Managed production workloads that required constant punctuality to keep up to date with large, often wholesale, orders
- Developed 3D models for future products
- Performed various types of ceramic production tasks such as slip casting, trimming, assembling, and sometimes making silicon and plaster casts for new products

January 2009 - May 2012

Eckerd College, St. Petersburg, FL - *Ceramic Teacher's Assistant*

- Assisted the professor in helping students cultivate knowledge and technique in the field of ceramics
- Rehabilitation of the work-space
- Constructing, repairing, and firing the various types of kilns (salt, soda, wood, guile, electric, and computer)
- Mixing and developing glaze recipes originally formulated by Professor Ransom
- Teaching students the basics of welding and helping to cultivate their knowledge of the field
- Supervising and delegating tasks to the students that assume work-study positions at the clay studio

Skills

- Basic Carpentry
- Throwing on the potter's wheel
- Welding
- Ceramic Sculpture
- Yard, workshop, store, and restaurant kitchen maintenance

Education

May 2021

Master of Fine Arts / Sculpture, *with distinction* - Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY

May 2012

Bachelor of Arts / Sculpture, *with high honors* - Eckerd College, St. Petersburg, FL

Awards

- 2021 The Stutzman Foundation 2nd Year (second term) MFA Fine Arts Awards for 3D Art
- 2020 The Stutzman Foundation 2nd Year (first term) MFA Fine Arts Awards for 3D Art
- 2012 Robert O. Hodgell Award

Exhibitions

- 2021 *Unfkd*: MFA Thesis Exhibition, Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY
- 2017 *10 Years in the Making*, NCECA, Portland, OR
- 2012 *Rust to Dust*, Eckerd College, St. Petersburg, FL