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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Games and Animation, University of Cincinnati

August 2024 - May 2028 | Cincinnati, OH

- College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning
- **GPA:** 3.97/4.0
- **Dean's List** Fall 2024, Spring 2025
- **Darwin T. Turner Scholar** (March 2024 – Present)
- **Relevant Coursework:** Intro to 3D Animation, Intro to Game Design, Paradigms of Computer-Based Education

WORK EXPERIENCE

Barista Trainer, Starbucks Coffee Company

March 2022 – May 2024; September 2025 – Present | Cincinnati, OH

- Continuously train and mentor new baristas, averaging 5–7 per quarter, to foster a supportive team environment and build confidence in their barista roles while guiding skill development and utilization of Starbucks' training resources.
- Deliver friendly, efficient customer service by preparing handcrafted beverages, processing transactions, and maintaining a clean, welcoming store environment.
- Manage in-store promotional art by designing and illustrating chalkboard displays, while creating unique seasonal drink combinations to enhance customer engagement and store branding.

Library Customer Adviser, Groesbeck Branch Library

May 2024 - August 2024 | Cincinnati, OH

- Maintained library collection by keeping shelves organized and assisted with the removal of outdated materials to ensure accuracy and accessibility.
- Provided circulation support by checking materials in and out, managing holds, registering patrons, and processing fees.
- Assisted patrons with technology and services, including faxing, voter registration, and literacy support, helping expand access to resources and knowledge.

VOLUNTEERING

Assistant Choreographer, CincyTap Dance Company

August 2019 - Present | Cincinnati, OH

- Assist in training over 50 students annually, guiding skill development and performance readiness.
- Design promotional materials reaching audiences of 200+ attendees per show and coordinate with 10–15 volunteers to ensure smooth event operations.
- Manage decoration planning for performance venues to create a welcoming atmosphere and enhance the audience experience.

CERTIFICATIONS, TECHNOLOGIES, AND SKILLS

- **Certifications:** QPR Gatekeeper Certification – Suicide Prevention Training
- **Technologies:** Adobe Photoshop • Adobe Illustrator • Adobe After Effects • Procreate • Canva • DaVinci Resolve (basic editing) • Blender • Autodesk Maya (introductory) • Unity (introductory) • Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) • Google Workspace (Docs, Sheets, Drive) • WordPress • Sierra Library System • POS Systems
- **Skills:** Thumbnailing • Storyboarding • Character Design • Environment Design • Human Anatomy • Gesture Drawing • Traditional Drawing • Modeling • Rigging & Skinning • Lighting & Rendering • Texture Mapping • Motion Graphics • Narrative Design • Color Theory