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SKILLS

Video Production and Post Production

DSLR Photography

Drone Photography

Digital Marketing

Studio Management

Mac OS

Microsoft Office

Driving

Polite and Professional Client Service

Handling Heavy and Valuable Equipment and Products

Self Sufficient

Ability to Work in a Team

About Me

Practical, organised and detail-oriented professional with a varied background spanning retail, live events, technical production and product-focused environments. Experienced in hands-on roles involving equipment, products and materials, including loading and unloading deliveries, setting up technical equipment, working in warehouse environments and safely handling heavy and valuable items.

I am comfortable working in fast-paced environments, both independently and as part of a team, and have developed strong communication, time management and problem-solving skills throughout my career. I take pride in being reliable, professional and willing to learn, with a consistent approach and a strong eye for detail.

Digital Marketing Executive - Nustone Products Ltd

October 2023 - Present

- Creating photography and video content showcasing a wide range of products and services.
- Travel regularly to different locations and work with customers and trade professionals.
- Organise and manage shoots from preparation through to completion, requiring attention to detail and a consistent approach.
- Represent the company at the Futurescape trade show at the Excel Centre in 2024, working in a busy trade-show environment.
- Handle heavy, delicate and valuable products safely and responsibly, following appropriate procedures during preparation, transportation and production.
- Worked independently while contributing to the wider team and supporting the company's day-to-day objectives.

Media / Video / Content Executive - Gardening Express Ltd

June 2022 – October 2023

- Produced photography and video content for a busy online retail business.
- Gained hands-on experience working in plant nurseries, warehouses and a busy garden centre.
- Worked as part of a dedicated team focused on maintaining and improving the company's online retail presence.
- Required learning more about good horticultural practices, a wide variety of plant types and garden designs.

Videographer - CareCo

September 2017 – June 2022

- Produced product sales videos, assembly and maintenance guides, showroom features and promotional content for a retail business.
- Worked extensively with products and equipment while ensuring the safety and security of the studio, products and technical equipment.
- Prepared and organised equipment for shoots and managed production from setup through completion.
- Produced detailed instructional content explaining product assembly and maintenance.
- Worked independently while coordinating with warehouse teams and the wider marketing department.

HOBBIES

- Filmmaking
- Live Music Filming
- Bass Guitar
- Live Music
- Hiking
- Painting
- Coffee

TRAINING

Emergency First Aid at Work - British Red Cross, 2018

Safeguard Training - Zinc Arts, 2014

Event Crew - Showforce

2016 – 2017

- Worked on rigging and de-rigging for festivals, conferences, television productions and other live events.
- Loaded and unloaded large deliveries and transported equipment as required.
- Assisted with the setup and removal of staging, lighting and audio rigs.
- Provided hands-on manual assistance in busy and physically demanding environments.
- Worked closely with team members to complete tasks safely, efficiently, and on time.
- Handled valuable technical equipment carefully and responsibly.
- Worked at major venues including Pinewood Studios, BBC Elstree Centre, ITV Studios, Excel Centre and London Olympic Stadium.

Freelance Technician - CVS International

2017

- Loaded and unloaded audio-visual equipment for conferences and live events across Essex and London.
- Assisted with installation and removal of AV setups.
- Handled valuable electronic equipment carefully and safely.
- Worked closely with fellow technicians to complete installations efficiently.
- Required physical fitness, safety awareness and clear communication in fast-paced working environments.

Creative Support Worker / Videographer - Zinc Arts

2014 – 2015

- Coordinated filmmaking workshops and supported participants through practical creative projects.
- Provided hands-on technical support during productions and photo shoots.
- Worked closely with colleagues and participants to ensure projects ran smoothly.
- Developed strong communication, teamwork and organisational skills.

Delivery Driver - Hala Group Limited

2014-2016

- Worked as a delivery driver for almost two years in a fast-paced, customer-facing environment.
- Required safe driving practices, reliable timekeeping and knowledge of local roads to work efficiently
- Worked as part of a busy team, and required flexibility to work overtime and take on extra shifts.

Online Marketing & Video Production Assistant - Eat Cake Media

2014 – 2016

- Assisted with studio video productions, including setting up lighting, green screens and camera equipment.
- Operated technical equipment and supported the smooth running of shoots.
- Assisted with video editing, WordPress websites and SEO.
- Responded to client enquiries and supported general day-to-day production activities.

Education

2:1 Film & Television Production - Anglia Ruskin University, Cambridge

2010 – 2013

A-Levels in English Language & Literature, Media Studies, and History - Brentwood County High School Sixth Form, Brentwood, Essex

2008 – 2010