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EXPERIENCE

Television Academy Foundation

July 2025 - Present, Los Angeles, CA

Cinematography Intern for James Bagdonas, ASC on CBS Matlock Season 2

CBS Survivor Seasons 47-50

April 2024 - July 2025, Fiji

Camera & Challenge Production Assistant ("Dream Team")

- Maintained camera gear and rigs, ensuring smooth workflow for DP Scott Duncan, operating when needed.
- During "Tribal Council" focus pulled and managed Steadicam for walk-in/out.
- Managed & operated 25 Gopro cameras, collaborating on creative direction and ensuring efficient operations.
- Communicated directly with the Challenge Director, Assistant Directors, Producers, and Host Jeff Probst.

Showtime Dexter: Original Sin Season 1

August 2024, Burbank, CA

Day Play Office Production Assistant

- Directly supported the Production Team and Director through various administrative tasks.
- Printed & Distributed scripts, sides, and call sheets to the entire production crew.
- Handled production office phone inquiries, ensuring smooth operations in a fast-paced environment.

Roddenberry Entertainment

June - August 2023, Hollywood, CA

Development Intern

- Evaluated and wrote script coverages for projects in the *Star Trek* franchise.
- Discussed strategic plans for the Trek franchise with producers, updated casting lists, and presented research.

Panoramic Media Company

January - May 2023, Hollywood, CA

Development Intern

- Reviewed urgent material and reported during weekly meetings with Producer Jonathan Glickman.
- Discussed management of film & TV slate including *Wednesday*, and *The Underdogs*.

Whitaker Entertainment

September - December 2022, Burbank, CA

Development Intern

- Crafted feature, pilot, and novel coverages being considered for a first-look deal with Walt Disney Studios.
- Conducted research on Disney's intellectual property and media in the public domain for feature development.

Freelance

Los Angeles, CA

- **"PIT"** - Director of Photography, LMU Thesis, Selected to submit to ASC Student Heritage Awards
- **"Casanova's Child"** - Director of Photography, Music Video
- **"House Plant"** - Gaffer, Promo feat. Seth Rogen
- **"Lovebug"** - 1st Assistant Camera, Feature Film

EDUCATION

Loyola Marymount University, School of Film and Television

2025, Los Angeles, CA

BA 2025, Major: *Cinematography and Film/Video Production*, Minor: *Business Administration*

Awards - Presidential Citation: *Student Academic, Service and Leadership Award*, 2025

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- CRYSTAL PILLAR WINNER: SHORT FORM NON-FICTION: "Drive-in During Covid"
National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, Chicago/Midwest Chapter, 2021
- BEST CINEMATOGRAPHY: "Tokyo Tango"
Independent Shorts Awards, 2024

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Creative Development
Administrative Support
Script Coverage

Arri Family
Sony Cine Family
Freefly Ember

Microsoft Suite
Adobe Suite
Avid Media Composer

Movie Magic
Shot Designer
PADI Diving Cert.