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#### **EXPERIENCE**

# Parkway Cinema, Beverley — General Assistant

11/2015 - 1/2020

Key responsibilities in this position include sales (tickets, food and drink), customer services, cleaning.

# **Parkway Cinema**, Beverley — *Technician*

07/2016 - 1/2020

Key responsibilities in this position are based around the on-premises theatre facilities. These responsibilities include leading the technician team, management and maintenance of equipment, lighting design and operation and sound equipment operation during live shows.

## **Videographer** — Self Employed

11/2013 - PRESENT

I have completed several commissions for a variety of local businesses. These include promotional materials for a local charity, as well as wedding videos. I also, in my free time produce my own short films as well as working on other projects. This has given me valuable people skills as I have found myself interacting with a diverse range of individuals.

#### **EDUCATION**

# **BA (Hons) Police and Community Studies,** Bishop Burton College — 2:1

09/2009 - 07/2012

This course taught me a great deal about the law and a variety of legal matters within the UK. It also helped me develop the confidence I needed in order to be an effective leader while directing film shoots. For this course, I also did a work placement at Beverley Police Station in the Front Office. My tasks there involved answering any calls that come into the station, dealing with people who came to the front desk, assisting police officers in any ways possible and monitoring the CCTV.

#### **SKILLS**

**Editing** 

Writing

Directing

Sound Design

Cinematography

Camera Operation

Production Design

**Colour Grading** 

**Props and Costuming** 

#### **ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

PASMA-Scaffolding training. This training qualification allows me to erect and use a scaffolding tower. Exp. 05/06/2023

QUALSAFE AWARDS - First Aid. Level 3 Award in Emergency First Aid at Work. Exp 04/07/2021

#### **PROFESSIONAL PROJECTS**

#### **Music Videos**

Ten-79 ("You Lined Up All The Stars",2020)

Glass Diamonds ("Just Like You Did it Before", 2019)

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Hannah Zazzaro ("Jesus Christ Superstar", 2018)

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Tess Fletcher ("Regrets", 2017)

## **Promotional Material**

Beatrice's Spell (Projection based dance show, 2019) - Behind the scenes documentary and promotional content

Under the Skin (Dance show, 2018) - Short promotional video to gain funding

Messingham Show (Country show, 2018) - Short promotional video to advertise next years show.

Sumo (Pan Asian restaurant, 2018) - Short promotional video for a clients website.

East Riding Theatre (2017) - Short promotional video consisting of footage of many of the theatre's previous shows.

Steady Rain (Theatre show, 2017) - Short promotional video to assist the show's application to be shown at additional theatres.

Sparrow (Theatre show, 2016) - Short promotional video to advertise future shows.

Hull Horror Fest (Horror convention, 2015) - Short promotional video to advertise a local horror convention.

# **Training Videos**

Coffee training video (2018) - Video for Parkway Cinema to aid in the training of staff.

## **Live Shows**

Stealing Seven Hens (2020)

Bombshells (2020)

Beatrice's Spell (2019)

The Fairy Who Fell Off the Christmas Tree (2019)

Beryl (2019)

Under the Skin (2018)

SJ Arts Dance Showcase (2018)

Great Expectations (2017)

Hamlet (2016)

Storytellas (2016)

Oliver Twist (2016)

Sparrow (2016)

Steady Rain (2015)

A Christmas Carol (2015)

Austen (2015)

You Boy (2015)

## **Theatrical Projection**

Great Expectations (2017) - Created projected video backdrops and additional projection effects material.

Steady Rain (2015) - Created projected video backdrops and additional projection effects material.

A Christmas Carol (2015) - Created projected video backdrops and additional projection effects material.

## **Art Department**

The Creature Below (2016) - Props and Costume for this feature-length film which received a worldwide release.

#### **PERSONAL PROJECTS**

## **Plague** — Pre-Production

Short film about a toxicologist desperate to find a cure to a rare toxin. So desperate that she finds herself performing horrific and unethical experiments on the local homeless population.

# **Los Angeles** — Post-production

Short clip documenting my travels in Los Angeles.

# I Can See the Strings -2019

Short film following a young boy with an unusual gift through several stages of his young life. As he comes to terms with his abilities he also must care for his ailing mother.

#### Shadow of Man — 2016

Short film set within the Star Wars universe, about a mysterious figure determined to find the infamous Bounty Hunter Boba Fett.

## **Tokyo** —2018

Short clip documenting my travels in Tokyo.

### Iceland — 2016

Short clip documenting my travels in Iceland.

## **Under**— 2014

Short Film about a young boy who cares for his ill mother.