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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

3D Textile Artist

May 2023 - Present

Independent Artist | *Menomonee Falls, WI*

- Translated conceptual fashion sketches into tangible garments, utilizing a meticulous hand-building process.
- Has had work featured in “Black Hair: Resistance, Freedom, and Beauty” exhibition curated by Chelsey Luster.
- Starting an art series called “The Inama Project” that will be a compilation of textile art, apparel design, and illustrations to bring awareness to the disparities women face from having the health condition PCOS (Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome).
- Sourcing unique and cost effective materials to weave, braid, bead, and crochet with.

Production Coordinator

January 2022 - May 2023

Kohl's Corporate | *Menomonee Falls, WI*

- Within my first 7 months on the job I created a tailored educational and hands-on training plan on how to do the Production Coordinator role that secured my intern a full time position in less than 2 months.
- Coordinated and managed the production process for multiple apparel lines, ensuring timely delivery of finished products through daily collaboration with cross-functional partners.
- Created and maintained tracking documents for up to 250 samples per development cycle, about 1,000 a year.
- Improved the quality of our assortment every season by evaluating customer reviews for Design and Tech Design.
- Communicated daily with vendors about missing submit comments, delivery delays, marketing trim layout/placement approval, buy plan updates, PO EDIs, etc.

Fashion Design Intern

February 2020 - March 2020

Essère Atelier | *Florence, Italy Metropolitan Area*

- Created hand sketches for product development, selected fabrics, and developed patterns.
- Influenced design decisions by aligning with market demands and customer preference due to conducting extensive trend research.
- Improved their design and overall quality of finished products by providing valuable feedback on garment construction and fit.

Freelance Fashion Designer

September 2018 - April 2019

Stylist - Todd White | *Kent, OH*

- Designed and created custom fashion pieces for their clients based on their personal style and body measurements.

- Collaborated with clients to develop design concepts and create sketches and mood boards.
- Communicated design revisions and updates with clients to ensure satisfaction with the final product.
- Managed all aspects of production, including sourcing materials, and monitoring quality control measures.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts - BA, Fashion/Apparel Design | Kent State University 2017-2021

Relevant coursework: Dimensional Textiles, Pattern making, Trend Research, Fashion Illustration (digital & hand), and Product Development.

Fashion/Apparel Design Study Abroad Program | Kent State University Florence, Italy Spring 2020

- Participated in design studios, workshops, and cultural excursions in Florence, Italy.
- Developed knowledge of Italian fashion and design culture and history.
- Attended trade shows such as Pitti Imagine Uomo and Première Vision to conduct textile, trim, and silhouette research.

SKILLS

Consumer Textile Knowledge | Trend Research | Product Development | Tech Packs | Hand-Sketching | CAD Software | Adobe Creative Suite (Illustrator, Photoshop, InDesign) | Procreate | Organization Optimization | Material Sourcing | Sample Management | Cross-Functional Collaboration | Microsoft Office | Google Workspace