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## EDUCATION

**University of Manchester**, Manchester, UK

Master of Arts in Visual Anthropology, Visual Culture and Media Pathway, Sept 2006 - 2007

Coursework included but not limited to:

- 3 short ethnographic documentaries and 3 ethnographic photo essays
- Dissertation and Final Photographic Essay (Distinction): *Envisioning Normality: How an American camp helps youth with serious illness to maintain a sense of normality in their lives.*

**University of Pennsylvania**, Philadelphia, PA

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, with honors, Minor in Anthropology, May 2003.

Trained in Photography (Fine Art), B & W and Color

GPA: 3.8/4.0 (First Class)

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

### Photographic Exhibitions

November 2007

- "Envisioning Normality" series, part of the Global Eyes Exhibition, London.  
Global Eyes Exhibition is part of Photomonth 07, the East London Photography Festival.
- Art Liberating Lives Exhibition, part of the Sue Ryder Care's Art Liberating Lives campaign, Hatworks Museum, Stockport.

October 2007

- "Envisioning Normality" series, part of the Global Eyes, MA in Visual Anthropology Graduate Exhibition, Manchester.

### Exhibition Coordinator

Co-coordinated the Global Eyes Exhibition, at the Victoria Baths, Manchester and at the Shoreditch Town Hall Gallery, London.

Responsibilities included:

- Co-coordinated exhibition venue space and logistics with Photomonth and student peer organizers in Manchester and London
- Exhibition promotion and advertising
- Collaborative curation of the exhibitions
- Managed invigilators and security.

### Double "H" Ranch Hole in the Woods Camp, Photographer

Summer 2007

Worked as the camp photographer and as part of the Creative Arts Audio-Visual Team for Double H Ranch, part of the Association of Hole in the Wall Camps that provide youth (ages 6 - 16) with serious illnesses and life-threatening conditions with a normalizing camp experience.

Responsibilities included:

- Documenting all aspects of the camp experience and working with the Creative Arts team to create interactive photographic and AV slide shows in I-Movie
- Digital picture editing with Adobe Photoshop CS3, Bridge and Camera Raw Plug-In
- The creation of collaborative, educational and therapeutic photographic and video projects.
- Reporting to the executive and program directors to provide photography for development and fundraising needs
- Writing, editing and photo editing a weekly newsletter reporting on each camp session.
- Personal care of seriously ill campers with a variety of needs and abilities.

### Freelance still photographic and video projects

2006-2007

- Wedding, documentary, band and portrait photography projects
- Testimonial and interview video projects
- Organizing, receiving, executing and editing.

### **International Documentary Association, Membership Intern**

Summer 2006

Worked as a membership and marketing intern at the [ ida ], a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting the efforts of documentary film/video-makers. Responsibilities included:

- Created an [ ida ] membership survey, in order to assess membership needs / membership promotion. Coordinated feedback from multiple parties.
- Assisted in event organizing for the *10th Annual DocuWeek™ Documentary Theatrical Showcase*
- Researched archival/ documentation methods for *Docs A-Z seminars*
- Organized the membership database in FileMaker Pro and various administrative duties.

### **Special Needs Tutor, Adjunct to Educational Therapist**

September 2005 - 2006

Worked with an educational therapist to support and educate adolescents with learning disabilities and pervasive developmental disorders. Responsibilities included:

- Helping students to improve organizational, time-management, processing, critical thinking, executive functioning and decoding skills.
- Creative reworking of curriculum to suit a variety of learning styles
- Facilitating communication between students, teachers, parents and administrators.

### **AUDA, Community Development Coordinator**

Summer 2005

Worked with AUDA, Artesanos Unidos para el Desarrollo de Atitlán, a community based NGO dedicated to the economic and social empowerment of traditionally marginalized groups, specifically indigenous women and children. Additional responsibilities included:

- Assisted in improving the production capacity of artistic cooperatives
- Worked with cooperative members to build upon their artistic skills
- Worked to develop new product and website design
- Assisted with sessions on cross-cultural communication and appreciative inquiry
- Assisted in the development of a new volunteer program/guide book
- Implemented a fair wage system which insured living wages to all artisans
- Received a grant for over \$2500 towards the first middle school in San Antonio Palopo.

### **Urban Nutrition Initiative, Nutrition Education Coordinator and Fellow**

January 2003 - 2004

Created an after school internship program that combined peer nutrition education with a multi-cultural, seasonal and nutritious approach to cooking and gardening. As part of this program, I trained student interns (aged 14-18) to enhance their own learning process by teaching younger students (aged 5-13) in the West Philadelphia community.

### **Excel Tutoring Service, Literacy Tutor**

Spring - Winter 2004

Worked as an independently contracted tutor for Excel tutoring company an organization that promoted literacy in schools. Tutored learning disabled students in all subjects, focusing on reading comprehension, writing, organizational and time management skills.

### **SKILLS**

- **Technical Skills:** Windows 95/NT/98/2000/Xp and Mac; AVID Xpress DV, I-Movie, Adobe PhotoShop CS3 (and previous versions: CS2 and 7), Adobe Bridge and Camera Raw Plug-in, In-Design, Pro-Tools (basic), DTP: Microsoft Power Point, Publisher, Excel and Office, File-Maker Pro, Quark, HTML, Type 100 wpm and 10-key touch.
- **Practical Skills:** Trained in the execution and editing of photography, filmmaking and portable sound recording.
- **Languages:** English, Spanish (Fluent)