Marquis Mason

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Summary

I am passionate about helping people, telling stories, and creating meaningful connections. Whether mentoring students, capturing moments through photography, or building brands, my work has always been about bringing people together in authentic ways. I thrive in spaces that require problem-solving, adaptability, and collaboration, and I love finding creative ways to support others. At the heart of everything I do is a commitment to inclusivity, empathy, and making a real impact in the communities I serve.

Experience

The Stew LLC | Los Angeles Content Creator/Photographer | 04/2024 - Present

- Produced high-quality photography and videography for social media, press, and marketing campaigns, leading to a 30% increase in engagement, brand awareness, and partnerships. Edited and curated compelling content that expanded audience reach and drove event attendance.
- Led market research and competitive analysis, identifying key trends and customer preferences that informed branding strategies, resulting in a 20% increase in visibility and repeat business.
- Developed content-driven growth strategies, creating videos and digital campaigns that strengthened the brand's presence and contributed to long term partnerships and business expansion.
- Assisted with catering and food preparation, ensuring a seamless guest experience while gaining hands-on culinary
 industry insight. Provided data backed reports and insights that shaped strategic decision-making and fueled business
 growth.

Mason Photo & Education | Los Angeles, CA Educational Media Specialist | 03/2020 - Present

- Designed and taught engaging multimedia lessons, integrating photography, video production, and digital media to enhance student learning and foster creativity.
- Provided personalized mentorship and guidance on visual storytelling projects, boosting students' technical skills, confidence, and academic performance.
- Collaborated with educators and parents to tailor learning experiences, incorporating innovative technology and hands-on activities to maintain student engagement.
- Captured and showcased school activities and student achievements through professional photography and videography, strengthening community connections.

The SEED School of Los Angeles County | Los Angeles, CA Student Life Counselor | 06/2022 - 04/2023

- Mentored 23 students from diverse cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds in a 24/7 boarding school environment, fostering personal growth and academic success.
- Created and delivered impactful social-emotional learning (SEL) lessons and facilitated restorative circles, reducing disciplinary incidents] and improving peer relationships.
- Directed three extracurricular clubs—Photography, Multimedia, and Team Sports—engaging 35+ students in creative and physical activities, resulting in an increase in participation.
- Developed and monitored individualized behavior and academic plans, leading to measurable improvements in performance and self-regulation.
- Organized community-building activities and events, enhancing campus culture and student sense of belonging.

MoveOn.org | Portland, OR

Canvasser and Field Manager | 06/2017 - 03/2019

- Successfully advocated for critical issues such as gun control and voting rights by canvassing alongside fellow organization members within the local Portland Metro community.
- Facilitated the signing of approximately 50 petitions per campaign, resulting in a tangible increase in voter turnout for local elections.
- Implemented a relational approach during interactions with community members, allowing for a deeper understanding of various perspectives and enabling the use of persuasive techniques to effectively convey the organization's message.
- Fostered collaboration with a variety of organizations, leveraging shared resources and insights to enhance campaign strategies and achieve greater impact.

Kateri Park | Portland, OR Volunteer Tutor and Mentor | 02/2017 - 04/2018

- Tutored 15+ students in academic subjects, leading to significant improvements in performance and confidence.
- · Coordinated and led group activities, such as sports and team-building exercises, to promote collaboration and inclusivity.
- Played an instrumental role in organizing community events and after-school programs, building connections among students and families.
- Cultivated a welcoming and culturally responsive environment, ensuring every student felt supported and valued.

Skills

Residential Life & Student Development, Social-Emotional Learning & Restorative Practices, Conflict Resolution & Behavioral Interventions, Mentorship, Community Building, Multicultural Competency, Community Outreach, Event Coordination & Activity Design

Education

Portland State University | Portland, OR Social Sciences | 04/2022