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**Objective**

"To be in an environment that allows me the creative license to produce work that contains one or more of the following: value, longevity or purpose."

**Work Experience****Digital and Print Content Producer, WordPress Site Builder and Event Producer****Portland/Beaverton, OR. July 2000 to present\***

- Emphasis on low-budget, high impact design. Not one to shy away from "difficult" projects or unique populations.
- Fluent in layout, illustration and photo-editing software programs. Primary programs include Adobe Create Suite 6 and Microsoft Office Suite, Mac platform and PC platforms. Also proficient in Windows 10, MS Office Suite for platform.
- Professional writer for newspaper stories, magazine articles, grants, ad copy, technical publications, newsletters, forms and marketing collateral.
- 35mm and digital photography.
- Wordpress E-commerce design and layout for websites, as well as training.
- NationBuilder website creator and content manager.
- Digital and manual illustration.
- Primary end products: print media, everything from complicated 9 color screens, 4 to 6 plate offset to simple photo-copier ready handouts, business forms, packaging, logos, t-shirts and web design.
- Produce fundraisers and obtain grants for local and regional non-profit organizations, most notably large-scale, multi-day cultural events and health prevention and outreach.
- Produce a weekly audio anthology program, and am a proud online event producer for UNESCO's International Jazz Day series three years running.

**Book and Media Specialist, Goodwill E-Commerce****Hillsboro, OR. August 2015 present.**

- List for sale online a wide variety of books and physical digital media for sale, often sorting through raw donations.
- Utilize equipment to bring physical digital media to acceptable sales standards.
- Operate a large-scale packaging machine to process customer orders.
- Pull and check orders from warehouse per customer orders.
- Package and ship customer orders manually using shipping software.
- Assist other sections of the department, such as customer service, on various projects to meet customer requests or list for sale online.
- Currently exceeding goals for these tasks for the second year.

**Shift Supervisor, Starbucks Coffee**

**Portland, OR. June 2004 to June 2012.**

- Manage duties for 10 to 30 employees. Floated as a supervisor or barista at over 40 stores in my district.
- Cash handling, deposits and inventory.
- Traditional coffee-shop experience, mixed with community outreach programs and expanding sales through existing avenues.
- Twice given the "Partner (Employee) of the Quarter" award for my region for strength with customers, exceeding sales goals and community outreach projects.
- Strongest skill set: growing community partnerships and expanding employee involvement in community-based programs.

**Education**

- Marylhurst College. BA, 2004, Mass Communications, Portland, OR.
- Chemeketa Community College. AA, 2002, Visual Communications, Salem, OR.

**Professional Affiliations**

- Vice-President, 2008-2012, Pride NW, Inc.  
Responsible for fundraising, operations and media for Oregon's largest parade and a three-day LGBTQ festival.
- Sexual Health for Men Coalition (SH4MC), 2005-2011.  
Founding member and men's community outreach liaison.
- Chairman, 2006-2011, Oregon Leather Pride.  
Responsible for 10 day event spread over multiple cities and venues for 25 groups, media, grant writing and fundraising.
- Board member, 2005-2008, Oregon Bears, Portland, OR .  
Media and Outreach committee chairman, also oversaw annual State of Oregon reporting and financials.
- Board member, 2000-2003, Capitol Pride, Salem, OR. Media and Outreach committee chairman.

**Awards and Citations**

- Pride in Action Award. 2010. Pride Northwest, Portland, OR.
- Starbucks Partner of the Quarter. 2006 and 2010. Starbucks, Portland, OR.
- Humanitarian of the Year. 2007. Imperial Sovereign Rose Court, Portland, OR.
- Man of the Year. 2006. Blackout Leather Productions, Portland, Oregon

**Recent Civic Projects**

- Yes on 91 marijuana legalization.
- Melissa's Bill/Law, getting backlogs of rape kits tested statewide.
- 15 Now drive to increase Oregon's minimum wage.

**References**

- Available upon request.

**Designed CV/Resume**

Additionally, I also have a designed resume on my website, available for online viewing or download. It prints as a tabloid sized infographic poster. You can find it at the following URL: <http://www.aospdx.com/about>