

BLAKE JOHNSON

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Occupational Goal: Artist/Craftsman

Summary: Creative problem-solver with strong artistic vision, drive and work ethic. Interests ranging from food, art and travel to technology and social and natural sciences. Love of exploration, adventurousness, creation, inspiration and fun in all aspects of life. Excellent communication and customer service skills, keen eye for detail, diligent and responsible.

Work Experience:

- ∞ Sculptor / Carpenter - Cambridge Summer Film Festival (2011, Cambridge, MA)
 - Build stanchions to support a cloth wall and a functional doorway that is a creature's head (the doorway is its mouth).
- ∞ Web Designer - Seeds to Roots (2010 - 2011, Newfane, VT)
 - Designed and built a WordPress theme for the nonprofit at www.seedstoroots.org.
- ∞ Dishwasher / minor prep. - North End Butcher's (2010, Brattleboro, VT)
 - Washed dishes, prepared ingredients, cleaned and maintained the kitchen.
- ∞ Graphic / Web Designer - Jack of Hearts Productions (2009 - 2010, Newfane, VT)
 - Designed graphical elements and a website, poster, and other promotional material for the award-winning short film *Citizen Producer*.
- ∞ Graphic Artist - Kafka's Coffee & Tea (2009, Vancouver, BC)
 - Designed a logo for Kafka's Coffee & Tea shop (www.kafkascOFFEE.ca).
- ∞ Composer / VFX Artist - Freelance (2009, Vancouver, BC)
 - Added rain, dust hits, blood, created other elements and integrated them into live-action plates.
- ∞ Composer - theBOOTfx (2009, Vancouver, BC)
 - Added gun flashes and hits, explosions, fire and debris elements to shots, replaced window backgrounds & enhanced existing effects. Supervisor: Landon Bootsma.
- ∞ Clerk - First Run Video (2007, Brattleboro, VT)
 - Cashier and shelf stocking, opening & closing shifts.

- ∞ Snowboard Instructor - Mount Snow (2005 - 2007, Dover, VT)
 - Part-time instructor for kids ages 7-14, beginner to advanced levels.
- ∞ Camera / T.D. / Director - GNAT-TV (2005 - 2007, Manchester, VT)
 - Intern/Runner, public access TV station, worked up to be a paid editor and cameraman. Also worked with volunteers to accomplish their media goals.
- ∞ Intern / General Runner - BCTV (2000, Brattleboro, VT)
 - Internship in Hilltop Montessori Middle School, I made a short film.

Education:

- ∞ Undergraduate (BFA) - MassArt (2010 - Present, Boston, MA)
 - Sculpture & Studio for Interrelated Media double-major.
- ∞ Making/HISTORY - Handshouse (2011 Sanok, Poland)
 - Rebuilding the 17th Century Gwozdziec wooden synagogue with the Museum of the History of Polish Jews
- ∞ Visual Effects (Diploma) - VanArts (2008 - 2009, Vancouver, BC)
 - Specialized in 2D work: tracking, compositing, color-matching, color-correction, etc.
- ∞ Playwriting - NEYT (2006 - 2007, Brattleboro, VT)
 - Extracurricular short-format playwriting class with Bob Jude Ferrante.
- ∞ BUHS (2006 - 2007, Brattleboro, VT)
- ∞ CNG (2004 - 2005, Bogota, Colombia)

Achievements:

- ∞ *Distinct Artistic Contribution to the All School Show* - "Fork-Knife-Spoon" (2011, MassArt)
- ∞ Honors - Art & Censorship (2010), Drawing 2 (2011), MassArt
- ∞ *Outstanding Student Award & CDA Scholarship* - Advanced Filmmaking (2007)
- ∞ Co-wrote, directed and produced a feature film - *LATENT(CY)* (2007)
- ∞ *Best Student Award* - Beginner Filmmaking (2006)
- ∞ Co-wrote, directed, produced & acted in a short film - *Kids and Heroes* (Spring 2006)

Skills:

- ∞ Mac OSX, Windows XP, Linux Fedora
- ∞ Adobe Photoshop, Premiere, After Effects, Apple Shake, Boujou, Word, Excel, HTML, CSS, WordPress, Firefox, Safari
- ∞ Cashier experience, customer service
- ∞ 3-dimensional communication of concepts or ideas, coming up with ideas for things to make
- ∞ Movie & filmmaking trivia and reference knowledge