

Kristian Thacker

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Education

B.F.A., Photography, Shepherd University, Shepherdstown, WV
Graduated Cum Laude, May 2004

Work Experience

08/05 - Present

Freelance Photography Assistant, Washington, DC Metro Area

- Assist with architectural and editorial photographers
- Setup tungsten and strobe lighting arrangements for appropriate lighting
- Stage interior and exterior scenes for each shot
- Scout locations looking for probable logistical problems

07/06 - 02/07

Aerial Photographer, Air Photographics, Inc, Martinsburg, WV

- Operated Leica RC30 Camera and Track Air flight management system to acquire imagery
- Processed and edited film to make sure images were within accepted limits for each client
- Maintained camera systems, film processors, and other photography related equipment
- Involved in research and implementation of new technologies within the company
- Kept monthly inventory of film stock and chemistry

11/04 – 07/06

Lead Line Cook, Clarion Hotel and Conference Center, Shepherdstown, WV

- Involved in all aspects of food preparation ensuring the highest meal quality
- Designed menus for Rumsey Tavern and Sebastian's Bar and Grille
- Responsible for problem resolution between front house and back house staff
- Ensured all safety and health standards were strictly followed in food preparation

12/03 - 10/04

Line Cook, Three Onions Restaurant, Shepherdstown, WV

- Gained experience in all methods of food preparation in a fine dining atmosphere
- Assisted with ordering and inventory of all necessary foods and ingredients
- Prepared from scratch all desserts and baked goods

Internships and Assistantships

06/03-07/03, 06/04-07/04

Assistant Photographer, Contemporary American Theater Festival, Shepherdstown, WV

- Shot stills for productions of Big Love and The Performance Group for Shepherd Theater
- Shot stills of theater festival's productions of Bright Ideas, Rounding Third, Wilder, The Last Schwartz, and Homeland Security during the '03 and '04 festival seasons
- Prepared images for distribution to local media outlets
- Maintained and updated archive of Contemporary American Theater Festival's imagery from previous seasons

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Darkroom Assistant, Frank Arts Center, Shepherd University, Shepherdstown, WV

- Ensured chemicals were properly prepared for student use
- Maintained all equipment and ensured good working order
- Trained new monitors at the beginning of each semester
- Taught new photography students darkroom methods and practices

Work-related skills

- Strong writing and verbal skills
- Strong problem solving skills
- Familiar with 35mm, Medium Format, and Large Format camera operations
- Competent with Digital SLR camera format and digital workflow
- Able to work with Windows and Mac Operating Systems
- Skilled with Adobe Photoshop CS2 and previous releases
- Able to use standard strobe and tungsten lighting setups

References

Ron Blunt, Photographer
304-274-6060

Blaine Pennington, Photographer
301-587-3179

Michael Mendez, Photography Instructor, Shepherd University
240-285-2549

Marvin Brining, Executive Chef, Corleone
304-263-3172

Keith Sylvester, Chief Photographer, Air Photographics, Inc.
304-263-6976