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Personal Statement

I am a recent graduate from Nottingham Trent University, with a first class degree in Furniture and Product Design, winning the 'Best Student' award. My design approach is minimalistic, with emphasis on material exploration and visual intrigue. My projects are strongly concept-led and promote user interaction and choice. As a conscientious designer, I aspire to improve the relationship between user and object, celebrating designed artefacts. I am an organised and diligent individual who has demonstrated a strong ability to work effectively and efficiently under pressure to meet deadlines. I have been required to liaise with companies and collaborate effectively with both peers and professionals. I have experienced a fast paced and intense working environment after completing internships with multiple design studios. My time working within these companies has taught me the importance of time management, accomplishing new challenges, commitment and working as a team member.

Skills

Design, planning and production skills

- A self-motivated individual at home as part of a team or working individually on projects.
- Proven track record in successful planning, design and production of own range of products - two products chosen to be exhibited at 'New Designers' in July.
- Understanding of processes involved in bringing a project from brief to market.
- Fully competent with Solidworks, AutoCad, Keyshot, Adobe Creative Suite (InDesign, Photoshop, Lightroom, Illustrator), Techsoft 2D Design, Esti, Salesforce, Hootsuite, Microsoft Office, experienced with Rhino.
- CNC programming and operation - 8 month internship with production company.
- Understanding of the heuristics that drive future client behaviour and design - university dissertation
- Understanding of the business and financial planning required in design and production.
- Strong hand sketching and model making skills.

Business skills

- Strong presentation skills - regularly presents to peers and academics.
- Experienced in team management and chairing meetings
- Experienced in project management
- Supplier relationship management
- Marketing skills - developed own brand and run company social media accounts.

Education

2015 - 2019 Nottingham Trent University

BA (Hons) Furniture & Product Design

First Class Honours

Awarded 'Best Student' of the graduation year.

2014 - 2015 University for the Creative Arts

Foundation in Art & Design

Distinction

2007 - 2014 Maidstone Grammar School for Girls

A Levels 2014

Maths	B
Physics	B
Fine Art	B

AS Levels 2013

IFS Certificate in Financial Studies	A
General Studies	B
English Literature	C

GCSEs 2012

A* Maths, Art, Physics, D&T: Graphics Products

A: Chemistry, Biology, English Literature, English Language, Geography, ICT, Religious Studies

B: Astronomy, German

Experience

2017 - 2018

2MZ / Pluck - Brixton, London

8-month internship as a workshop assistant at a specialist design and fabrication studio and bespoke kitchen sister company Pluck. I worked on a multitude of manufacturing projects, ranging from sculpture and retail displays to bespoke kitchens and furniture. I gained experience in working with a variety of manufacturing techniques, from running multiple CNC routers to using hand tools such as chisels. Over the placement I also led the manufacture of a new product, testing prototypes and giving feedback to directors on improvements.

2017

FBC London - Victoria, London

3-month internship working within the design and production team at a luxury furniture design studio. I assisted with the design and launch of a new product range as well as creating marketing and branding material as part of London Design Festival. I also worked on smaller independent design projects where responsibilities included sourcing materials and manufacturers whilst working to strict deadlines and budgets.

2016

Christopher Guy - Chelsea, London

2-week internship at the Chelsea Harbour showroom and warehouse of a luxury furniture brand. I helped to set up and organise the showroom during Focus 2016 as part of London Design Festival.

Wilkins & Rock - Dartmouth, Devon

1-month internship at a creative agency that caters to UHNWI. I assisted with creative projects such as advertising to be displayed at the Monaco Yacht Show, as well as financial aspects of the company and the creation of client and supplier databases.

2014

Salt - Canterbury, Kent

Worked part-time as front of house in a small independent restaurant. Responsibilities included working as waitress, hostess and bartender as well as assisting with general upkeep. Single handedly managing front of house enabled me to develop multi tasking skills and remain focused when in pressured situations.

2013

Gensler - Aldgate, London

1-week work experience at architecture firm Gensler, working in multiple divisions within the company, designing a school development.

Interests & Achievements

- I am a regular visitor to exhibitions such as Clerkenwell Design Week and London Design Festival as well galleries such as the Saatchi, Tate and events at the Barbican Centre.
- Member of Nottingham Trent University Thai Boxing Society.
- Member of school indoor rowing team - individual and team county champion and ranked individually in the national top 20.
- RYA Dinghy Sailing levels 1 and 2.
- British Science Crest Award - Bronze.
- Duke of Edinburgh Award - Bronze.

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