

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Overview

My ultimate goal is to contribute towards building a strong professional and stable production environment in Dubai and the greater UAE. Currently my focus is on alining myself with the those in the industry that adds the most value in terms of professionalism, sustainability and effective work practices.

Background

My first introduction into production took place in 2003. At the time I was attached to a radio station MFM92.6 in South Africa. My role at the station was that of on air presenter & producer.

In this role I produced and presented well over 200 segments. This experience left a lasting impact and passion for creating well produced content. After leaving the station I tried my hand at various ventures but non had been as fulfilling as my first experience in production. In 2012 I emigrated from South Africa to Dubai. Shortly after establishing myself in the UAE the opportunity presented itself to re-enter the production space and I decided to fully pursue this opportunity.

UAE Production experience:

CENTRAL FILMS

As of early 2016 I have started working closely with Central Films building a close relationship with the tea.

TVC & Contend Projects:

Toyota (various), Hyundai, Lumielina, Lexus

Role:

2nd Assistant Director, Locations Coordinator

Producers:

Karen Coetzee

Magnet Productions

Since 2015 I have had the opportunity to be part several projects managed by magnet productions.

TVC & Contend Projects:

Dubai Tourism (various), Burj Al Arab (various), Etihad airways, Ariel, IMG World of Adventure, Centre Point

Role:

2nd Assistant Director, 1st Assistant Director, Casting Director

Producers:

Lucy Beck

Jordan Knight

Alkatraz Productions

As of 2015 I have been involved with Alkatraz mostly in long term projects. From August 2015 to August 2016 I spend more then 5 months with them working on 3 Projects.

TVC & Contend Projects:

Range of products for Abu Dhabi Tourism

Hyperloop One

Motion Picture:

Kung fu yoga in capacity of production coordinator (release date 2017)

Roles:

Production Coordinator, Locations Coordinator, 1st Assistant Director

Producers:

Maxine De Vere

Epic Films

Epic films has been one of my longest serving clients in the UAE and my history with them stretches back to 2013.

TVC & Contend Projects:

Rani(various), Lipton, Vimto

Burj Al Arab turtle release

Various sports related programs

Documentary Projects:

Burj Al Arab Documentary (48min documentary commissioned by channel4)

Roles:

Production Coordinator, 2nd Assistant Director, 1st Assistant Director, Locations Coordinator

Producers:

Robbie McAree

Film Master

I have had the opportunity to work on some projects with film master providing a variety of roles.

TVC & Contend Projects:

McDonalds, Nissan x trail, Mobily, GMC Acadia, Samsung
Promotional Video for Abu Dhabi Education Summit 2016

Roles:

Production Coordinator, Casting Coordinator, 2nd Assistant Director, Talent

Producers reported to:

Maria Vittoria Ceresoli
Nicole Lord
Antonio Sabatella
Jemma Wale

N3 Films

I have had the opportunity to assist N3 films in various project where N3 has acted as a servicing entity.

TVC & Contend Projects:

Nissan Patrol, Givenchy, Centre Point

Roles:

Production Coordinator

Producers :

Nadine Gibbs

Dejavu Productions

I have a close working relationship with Dejavu providing a variety of roles:

TVC & Contend Projects:

Etisalat (various), Coca cola east Africa), Mobily TVC, Noor Bank, Mashreq bank, Saudi Telecomm Corporation, Volkswagen, Sprite, McDonalds, MBC (Satellite TV Cannel) Oradoo, Burjeel Hospital (TVC)

Roles:

Production Assistant, Casting director, Casting coordinator, Locations Scout, Locations Manager, 2nd Assistant Director, Talent.

Producers:

Alison Jennings
Pratixa Kanojia
Karin Bracher

Filmworks

I have been involved with film works on some projects in various roles.

TVC & Contend Projects:

Lexus, Chevrolet Tahoe, . Bee'ah waste management , Mobily

Roles

Production assistant, 2nd assistant director

Producers

Rob Neuhold
Karim Areida
Maxine de Vere
Kaya Smythe

The Talkies

I have been involved with the talkies on some projects always being part of the production team

TVC & Contend Projects:

Moulinex, Jeep, Microsoft, Renault Emirates Airlines, Infinity ABB Microsoft Chevrolet

Roles:

Production Coordinator

Producers

Rosie Kingham

Sabine Farha

Natasha Onto

Once of Projects

I have worked on once off projects for the following production houses:

Dubai Films	Production Coordinator/ 2nd assistant Director
New Blood Productions	Production Coordinator
Dream Box Productions	Production Coordinator
Take One productions	Locations Coordinator
Eclipse films	Production assistant
Robot and sparks	Spark
FQC Media	Production assistant
4 Creative	Production assistant
Air 3 creative	Production assistant

EDUCATION

Tertiary

University of Stellenbosch – Bachelor of Arts Degree – 2003

BA International Studies

Other Certification

University of Cape Town: Certificate in Operations Management completed March 2013

University of Cape Town: Certificate in Financial Management completed March 2013

Cape Peninsula University of Technology: Certificate in Project Management – 2008

Cape Peninsula University of Technology: Certificate in Radio Broadcasting – 2004

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