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## **EDUCATION**

Cogswell Polytechnical College, Sunnyvale, CA (2007)

**B.A. in Digital Motion Picture, Valedictorian, Summa Cum Laude.**

School of Science and Technology, Beaverton, OR

**Diploma, Top 5 Graduate**

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Microsoft – Testing Associate | Interim Test Lead**

*July 2008 – December 2010*

- Effectively transitioned to a lead role, managing the team after previous lead's contract ended
- Trained new hires how to use testing software, report bugs and write more effectively
- Organized and delegated tasks to the team, based on the skills of each individual
- Ensured daily tasks were completed in a timely manner by keeping the team motivated
- Helped to establish unique testing procedures for groundbreaking *Xbox 360 Kinect* camera
- Tested video games for design flaws and code defects, including two *Kinect* launch titles  
**Fable 2, Kinect Adventures, Kinect Sports**
- Reported 500 bugs on *Kinect Sports*, the most of any team member

**Filmateria Studios – Multimedia Artist and Animator (Internship)**

*October 2009 – December 2009*

- Fulfilled many roles during production/post-production for a new TV series, *Team Marco Polo*
- Assisted in production duties including camera operation, set decoration and video capture
- Bolstered post-production efforts by planning visual effects while editing was still in progress
- Used video editing to enhance actors' performances, tell a story, and hide continuity errors
- Constructed realistic digital environments using photographs and stock video footage and placed actors into these digital sets using green-screen compositing and animated masks
- Creatively designed complex 2D/3D graphics and animation with minimal direction

**Independent – Music Composer**

*September 2004 – Current*

- **Media Agents, Inc** – Enriched testimonial videos for HP and Dell with subtle background music
- **Boeing Phantom Works** – Added dramatic flair and emotion to technical videos for Boeing
- **PACCAR Parts** – Developed music without visuals for frequent use in corporate podcasts
- **Soren Laulainen** – Composed, recorded, produced, mixed, and self-published a 15 track full-length music CD
- **Cogswell Polytechnical** – Collaborated with students on several indie film soundtracks and helped with completion of their senior thesis projects

## **SOFTWARE SKILLS**

- Proficient with: **Acid Pro, After Effects, Final Cut Pro, Office, Photoshop, Pro Tools, Sony Vegas**