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Education: Chicago Vocational Career Academy (major: Fashion Design), Illinois Institute of Art-Chicago (Pursuing Bachelor of Fine Art in Fashion Design)

Work Experience:

10/2007 (4<sup>th</sup>) Chicago Bridal Market - Bridal Accessories  
Chicago, Illinois

- Took down decorations
- Put all items into boxes

9/2007 (27<sup>th</sup>&28<sup>th</sup>) Chicago Bridal Market – Alfred Angelo  
Chicago, Illinois

- Helped unpack and hang all prom and bridal dresses
- Steamed bridal and prom dresses
- Arranged the prom and bridal dresses on the racks in a specific order

8/2007 (11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>&14<sup>th</sup>) StyleMax  
Chicago, Illinois

- Helped models dress in clothes during the fashion show
- Took clothes that were modeled back to the correct vender booth

7/2007 (20<sup>th</sup>&21<sup>st</sup>) Delton Products Corporation  
Chicago, Illinois

- Assisted customers
- Input customers sales data into a handheld computer

1/2007 – 5/2007 Mahogany: Custom Made Prom and Bridal Boutique  
Chicago, Illinois  
Fashion Design Intern

- Explored garment construction techniques
- Constructed dresses from original designs
- Experienced the different aspects of running a fashion boutique

6/2005 – 4/2007 Gallery 37/After School Matters Advanced Arts Program  
Chicago, Illinois  
Fashion Design Advanced Apprentice

- Learned the process of designing and building a fashion collection
- Discussed the elements that go into a successful fashion portfolio
- Learned to draw strong, dynamic fashion illustrations
- Practiced sewing and patternmaking skills
- Explored color and fabric

Textile Arts Advanced Apprentice

- Researched the history of textiles
- Learned to knit, quilt, sew, embroider
- Created three-dimensional fiber constructions

Vocal Arts Ensemble Advanced Apprentice

- Learned songs in foreign languages
- Practiced breathing techniques
- Sang in an live Opera performance at the Chicago Cultural Center

Improvisational Theater Advanced Apprentice

- Produced an improvisation and sketch comedy revue
- Performed an original revue for the general public

Volunteer Experience:

10/2007 (11<sup>th</sup>) Chicago Red Hot fashion show – Apparel Industry Board Inc. (Volunteer)  
Chicago, Illinois

- Carried boxes to requested location
- Opened all boxes
- Put items into gift bags
- Arranged programs and gift bags for seating area

9/2007 (15<sup>th</sup>) OldTown Fashion Show (Volunteer)  
Chicago, Illinois

- Helped models dress in clothes during the fashion show
- Took clothes that were modeled back to the correct vender booth

2/2007 & 11/2006 Governmental and Municipal Election Judge  
Chicago, Illinois

- Assisted voters who needed help voting on new ballots

11/2006 McDonald's Thanksgiving Day Parade  
Chicago, Illinois

- Distributed marketing materials and product samples

10/2006 Fund Raiser/Fashion Show for Jackson Hospital  
Chicago, Illinois

- Sold raffle tickets to attendees

11/2005 State Street Thanksgiving Day Parade  
Chicago, Illinois

- Served as a banner carrier
- Distributed marketing materials and product samples

Skills:

- Industry: sketching, drawing, draping, patternmaking, and sewing
- Computer: Adobe Illustrator, Microsoft Word, and Microsoft Excel