Joseph Rynasko

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Career Objective

I am an emerging museum professional and trained archaeologist with several years of service industry experience. I am seeking opportunities in the Boston area that will advance my career in the museum, archaeological, and customer service sectors.

Key Skills

- Trained in professional art and artifact handling, cataloging, and conservation
- ❖ Money handling and POS experience, able to complete complex financial transactions
- Two years of experience in sales and creating high quality customer service experiences
- Proven leadership and management qualities (Eagle Scout, BSA)
- Excellent time management, problem solving, and multi-tasking skills
- Self-motivated worker, able to independently achieve directives
- Creatively collaborates in large and small team environments
- Proficient in Mac and PC operating systems, MS Office Suite, and Google Applications
- Talented researcher, able to conduct and produce high quality research individually and as a group

Education

M.Sc. - Museum Studies: Artifacts & Material Culture | University of Glasgow

Glasgow, Scotland | Graduated December 2020

- Graduated with Distinction
- Dissertation: Repatriation Theory and Practice in Scottish University Museums

B.A. – History, Ancient Studies | St. Olaf College

Northfield, MN | Graduated May 2016

Awards: St. Olaf Service Leadership Scholarship, 2012-2016
Moe Family Endowed Scholarship, 2012-2016

Certificate in Restoration and Analysis of Archaeological Ceramics | San Gemini Preservation Studies San Gemini, Italy | May 2014

- Introduction to Conservation of Archaeological Ceramics in Italy
- Workshop on Ceramics and Ceramics Conservation in Italy

Experience & Work History

Artifact Illustrator | Purdue University Research Repository (PURR)

Remote | November 2020 – Present

- Produce high quality, digital, scientific illustrations of ancient amphora
- Regularly use Photoshop and image editors to prepare original drawings for publication

Project Liaison | PURR & The Levantine Ceramics Project (LCP)

Remote | December 2020 – Present

- Liaise between leadership of PURR and LCP to complete the publication of data on the LCP website
- Responsible for the management of archival data and publication of artifacts

Archive Accessioning Technician | New Lanark World Heritage Site

New Lanark, Scotland | January - March 2020

- Created official accession records for artifacts entering the New Lanark Collection
- Responsible for writing detailed and comprehensive artifact descriptions
- Professionally handled and stored artifacts
- Managed New Lanark's archive collections software

Archaeological Field Lead | SWCA Environmental Consultants

Houston, Texas | January – July 2019

- Organized daily fieldwork and led teams on the execution of archaeological survey and excavation
- Led teams responsible for independently completing projects on time and under budget
- Communicated efficiently with the head office, third party agents, and clients
- Produced daily progress reports and records for archaeological sites
- Maintained field crew's financial records and responsibly managed company credit card

Archaeological Field Technician | Hartgen Archaeological Associates

Rensselaer, New York | September 2017 - August 2019

- Executed proper archaeological survey and excavation techniques
- Utilized artifact identification, analysis, and documentation skills
- Worked as part of a team to complete projects on time and under budget

Customer Service & Sales Associate | L.L. Bean

Colonie, New York | November 2016 - December 2018

- Assisted and educated customers with the purchasing of proper outdoor and camping equipment
- Matched products to customer interests and consistently met sales goals
- Exhibited excellent customer service skills and comfortability speaking to a diverse public population
- Brand Ambassador on L.L. Bean's AT Relay social media campaign

Internship Experience

Advanced Pottery Drawing and Conservation Internship | Purdue University & Anamur Museum Anamur, Turkey | June – August 2014

Alanya Museum Study Collection Internship | Purdue University & Alanya Museum

Alanya, Turkey | June – August 2014

Purdue University's Historical Deforestation Research Project | Purdue University

Antalya, Turkey | June – August 2014

Mediterranean Archaeological Field School | St. Olaf College

Gazipasa, Turkey | July – August 2013

Professional Profile Links

LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/in/joseph-rynasko/

LCP Contributor Profile: https://www.levantineceramics.org/contributors/1005-joseph-rynasko