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CREATIVE EMPLOYMENT & EXPERIENCE

Take 3 Talent Agency, Actor, New York, NY

September 2017 - August 2018

- Established and maintained a relationship as a freelance actor with a talent agency, pursuing a schedule of weekly commercial auditions for companies like Amazon and Toyota
- Booked paid work as an actor
- Worked with agents, casting directors, other actors and professionals, utilizing accountability, adaptability, perceptiveness, motivation, drive and creativity in an exceedingly competitive environment

Upright Citizens Brigade Theatre NYC, Student, New York, NY

June 2016 - August 2018

- Achieved acceptance into the highly competitive Advanced Study Improv Program
- Studied longform improv, sketch comedy, musical improv & character writing and performance; developed relationships with other performers through these opportunities, going on to write and perform live sketch comedy and improv at various venues in Manhattan and Brooklyn
- Developed ability to work collaboratively as a writer/performer in a writer's room and on-stage with other performers

The Golden Pony, Assistant GM, Harrisonburg, VA

February 2015 - July 2015

- Worked directly with owner/GM to help conceptualize and open the restaurant & bar
- Amongst many other responsibilities, created an expansive drink menu, including a section of original cocktails thematically-based on the book *The Outsiders*

(Three) Brothers Brewing, Taproom Manager, Harrisonburg, VA

February 2014 - February 2015

- In addition to standard bar management duties, named what became one of (Three) Brothers Brewing's flagship beers upon its creation by the brewers: "Lil' Hellion." Based the name upon the fact that the beer is a helles golden lager, a moment of simple yet effective creativity that would become part of the product's marketing to the public

Blue Nile Ethiopian Cuisine, Bar Manager, Harrisonburg, VA

May 2010 - April 2013

- Upon promotion to Bar Manager, helped bring consistency to the business visually, spatially & experience-wise for the public. Sought out and brought new furniture into the environment, and began booking & organizing monthly art-shows to enhance the space by working with local artists to display paintings and photography