Benjamin M. Pearce

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U.S. Marine veteran from the Administration department and held an assistant manager position overseeing the desk clerks. Graduate of the award winning John Russo Movie Making Program at Dubois Business College, with a comprehensive understanding of visual arts and a passion for all aspects of the art and craft of filmmaking. My student films have won awards in regional competitions and my deep knowledge of social networking has enabled me to write, produce, and direct a series of comedy skits that are among the highest rated programs on YouTube in the UK with over 12 million viewers. My ultimate goal is to write and direct feature films. I also am experienced in commercial advertising, music videos, documentary filmmaking, and short filmmaking.

#### VARIOUS EMPLOYMENT AND WORK EXPERIENCE

• **Game Stop** (March-August of 2010)

Game Advisor (GA) Sales Associate Dennis Hill- Employer: 724-762-8040

- Camera Operator, Cinematographer, and Editor for "Re-Deck America" (2010) as entitled on YouTube. Client was Benjamin Timko.
- Editor for "Pastor Appreciation Video" (2011). Client was Penny Coleman.
- Camera operator and cinematographer for a documentary segment on special effects in John Russo's upcoming documentary about *Night of the Living Dead* (1968)
- Filmmaker and Employer for the Google sponsored website YouTube from 2007-current.
- Writer, director, and producer of a visually stylized action/comedy homage feature film titled <u>"ADRENALINE"</u> (2012).
- Writer, director, editor, and producer for 20 separate instructional tutorial videos for The United States Marine Corps explaining the separation and retirement processes for the Armed Forces.
- FYE (August 2010-May 2011)

Sales Associate

Scott Webster- Employer: 814-371-9636

. **SHEETZ** (May 2012-May 2013)

Sales Associate

Steve Varana- Employer: 724-254-2934

United States Marine Corps (June 2013-March 2016)

Assistant Manager in administrative and human resource services

Michael Hanning- Employer: 740-274-1038

Contract Photographer (May 2016- Current)

Production photography for several mainstream gun manufacturers.

## **EDUCATION**

**DuBois Business College** and **John Russo Movie Making Program (Business College of Film & Media Arts)** DuBois, PA

Degree in Film Production 2010 to 2012 (Spring Graduation)

Concentration in Cinematography, Directing, Writing, and Editing.

Completed Coursework in Major Includes:

- Introduction to Movie Making
- Music Videos
- Advertising and Promotion
- Short Films

- Feature Films
- Business Aspects of Film

#### Project Highlights:

- Director of photography and cinematographer on group/student project "The Canned Case" (2011) entered in the 2011 Pittsburgh 48 Hour Film Festival.
- Director of Photography and cinematographer for The Untitled John Russo Documentary (2011)
- Writer, Director, and Editor of over one hundred comedy sketches on YouTube with RedDragonProductions.

## AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- "The Canned Case" (2011) received the "Honorable Mention" Award at the 2011 Pittsburgh 48 Hour Film Festival.
- From 2008-2012 I held the honor for "#36 Most Viewed Comedians of All Time" on the Google sponsored media website YouTube, with over 12 Million total video views and a fan base of over 2,900 viewers worldwide.
- Indiana Gazette recognition for senior project "How to be Safe in Chem" (2009) calling the project "creative" and "original."

## KEY SKILLS

Cameras:Canon GL2 / XL2 • Panasonic AG/ DVX100A / HVX200Editing Software:Sony Vegas Pro • Final Cut Pro • Adobe Premier •Other Applications:Soundtrack Pro • DVD Studio Pro • Apple Color • Celtx

**Systems:** Windows and Mac OS

# Purchase Line Jr./Sr. High School— Commodore, PA

High School Diploma, 2010

#### Activities:

- Writer and Director of Senior Project "How to be Safe in Chem" (2009), a reconstructed version of a previous chemistry safety video for senior chemistry teacher Ms. Melanie Cicion, filmed in the style and homage of 70s styled safety instructive films shown to students to this day in their senior year of high school.
- Light and sound technician for four school musicals under the direction of William Pearce, director, with zero failures and perfect lighting.

## **Job References**

- Dennis Hill Indiana, PA
   Manager at Gamestop
   Former Employee
   4 Years
   724-762-8040
- Benjamin Timko Clearfield, PA Entrepreneur Client 3 Years
- John Russo
   Pittsburgh, PA
   Filmmaker
   Mentor: 412-471-1511
- Russ Streiner
   Pittsburgh, PA
   Filmmaker
   Mentor: 412-361-5566
  - 3 Years

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Jonathan Kinney

San Diego, CA Administrative Specialist Employer: 760-685-5705

3 years