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Top Skills

C (Programming Language)

SketchUp

Data Analysis

Languages

Yoruba (Native or Bilingual)

Italian (Limited Working)

Japanese (Elementary)

English (Native or Bilingual)

Spanish (Professional Working)

American Sign Language
(Elementary)

Certifications

IBM Cloud Application Development
Foundations

Salesforce Sales Operations
Specialization

Intel Edge AI Certification

Google Data Analytics Specialization

IBM Cybersecurity Analyst

Khadijat Yussuff

Software and Game Dev, STEAM Educator | Black in AI | DS4A
Fellow

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States

Summary

Software & hardware engineer, UX generalist, transmedia A/V artist, and STEAM educator/program coordinator with experience working in/with Adobe Creative Suite, Javascript, C++, C#, Python, Angular, Node.js, Express.js, Tensorflow, R, SQL, Tableau, Salesforce, Scratch, 2D/3D motion graphics, VR/AR, and building with Arduino and Raspberry Pi microcontrollers. Proficient in HTML/CSS, Javascript, Python, as well as Cinema 4D, Unity, Unreal Engine, Blender, Flux.ai, Adobe CS, and Microsoft Office tools.

Thus far, I have earned Professional Development Certificates via Coursera in: IBM Cybersecurity Analyst, Salesforce Sales Operations, DeepLearning.AI Tensorflow Developer, Google Data Analytics, and IBM Full-Stack Developer.

Artistic skills and exhibitions/published work span fine, digital, and textile arts, including sewing, knitting/crochet, glasswork and ceramics, weaving, tufting, woodwork, photo and film, writing, XR, graphic design/UI, 3D modeling/rigging, and more.

Experience

Assemble, a community space for arts + technology

Monthly Program Coordinator

May 2022 - Present (11 months)

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States

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8 years

DJ, VJ & Music Producer

May 2018 - Present (4 years 11 months)

Greater Pittsburgh Area

Kha'DJ is a Pittsburgh-based Yoruba-American multidisciplinary visual artist and producer/DJ. Growing up on stacks of cassette tapes and CDs that spanned West African funk, American jazz & gospel/blues, Italian disco, and

Celtic folk music, they later developed additional interest in video game/film scores and international hip-hop; as a result, their warm sound draws from and includes a diversified mix of rhythm and percussion of cultures around the world and generations of multiethnic, genre-bending, & infectious dance grooves.

Freelance Photographer
April 2015 - Present (8 years)
Greater Pittsburgh Area

Kendra Jayne Patrick Gallery
Exhibiting Artist
March 2022 - April 2022 (2 months)
New York, Basel

Exhibited in Kendra Jayne Patrick's two-part group show, "Twenty-first Century Occupational Adjustments and Considerations, Episode 6: OK, Computer" along with artists:

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Kévin Bray
Paolo Cirio
Joshua Citarella
Jibade-Khalil Huffman
Kahlil Robert Irving
Everest Pipkin

Showed "Black Friday" & "Sound Rug."
Sold "Black Friday," a fused glass and projected footage multimedia piece shown in NYC to Josef Vascovitz.

Pittsburgh Glass Center
Administrative Assistant
October 2021 - April 2022 (7 months)
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States

Assemble, a community space for arts + technology
Resident Artist
June 2021 - June 2021 (1 month)
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States

True T Pittsburgh
Multimedia Resident

October 2020 - February 2021 (5 months)

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States

"Taylor Waits of Change Rape Culture along with Duane Binion of True T have a vision for folks who identify as LGBTQIA+ and/or Artist of Color who wish to creatively express their identity through their work and what it means to them...the two candidates were selected by both organizations for a new program seeking to elevate, empower, and uplift Black Queer multimedia artists in Pittsburgh."

For this residency, I created a virtual DJ and VJ experience best experienced with VR goggles. Used primarily Cinema4d to create the room, and some 3D elements are downloaded from CGTrader and Turbosquid, and some I modeled myself.

Pittsburgh Center for Creative Reuse

Teaching Artist

May 2019 - December 2019 (8 months)

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Worked with the Center for Creative Reuse on youth-oriented special events and outreach, sharing upcycling and innovation with the community through various crafting techniques and challenges.

Netflix

Production Assistant / 2nd Asst. Photographer

July 2019 - July 2019 (1 month)

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States

Worked with David C. Lee as 2nd Asst. Photographer on Denzel Washington's Netflix adaptation of August Wilson's "Ma Rainey's Black Bottom," specifically aiding in equipment and lighting for the promotional photos.

RADIANT HALL

Studio Artist

August 2018 - July 2019 (1 year)

Greater Pittsburgh Area

Bike Pittsburgh

7 months

Positive Spin Educator

March 2019 - June 2019 (4 months)

Teaching students at Schiller Middle School about cycling and transportation via chaperoned group after-school bike rides.

Program Assistant

December 2018 - May 2019 (6 months)

Greater Pittsburgh Area

Creating multimedia content (photo, graphic design, written articles), coordinating program details and scheduling needs, and supporting the development and implementation of the BikePGH Women and Non-Binary Program, primarily events surrounding the Annual Women and Non-Binary Forum.

Assemble, a community space for arts + technology

Guest Expert

October 2018 - December 2018 (3 months)

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States

I participated as a Guest Expert for 3 of Assemble's Crafternoons series, where I taught children K-5 arts & tech skills, namely: DJing, beatmaking & songwriting, and how to create clay sculptures/molds and make beaded accessories.

From Assemble's website:

"Saturday Crafternoons promote hands-on learning and community engagement for youth in grades K-5 through free, drop-in workshops with local makers and community partners. Our goal is to empower youth to be confident makers, foster a love of DIY projects, promote connected learning, and activate an interest in their community and city. "

Ace Hotel Pittsburgh

Exhibiting Artist

November 2018 - November 2018 (1 month)

Greater Pittsburgh Area

Exhibited in Max "GEM5" Gonzalez & Jerome Chu's LIFT Grant-sponsored POC group show, "The Glow Up," at the Ace Hotel Pittsburgh on Nov. 9. Sold a visual art piece entitled "Two Sisters," of a Montserrat and Banana Leaf. Krylon Spray Paint, Glitter, and resin on foamboard.

Pittsburgh Filmmakers

Exhibiting Artist

March 2018 - June 2018 (4 months)

Greater Pittsburgh Area

"A Fairer Sex" is a series of fine art photography portraits highlighting a diverse array of women and their collective discourse on womanhood, solidarity, and other topics.

"In today's sociopolitical climate, womanhood is a hotly debated topic. It seems that it's everyone's job to define who qualifies as a woman, what a woman is capable of, or what a woman is allowed to do with her body- except the woman herself. This body of work is an open forum for women of different backgrounds to speak on their experiences and their visions for the future, freely and uninterrupted, through their words and intimate, surreal portraits. Topics include: equity and solidarity within the community of women and proposals for overcoming hurdles facing women or any of their subgroups." - Khadijat Yussuff

Carnegie Museum of Natural History Gallery Attendant

June 2017 - April 2018 (11 months)

Greater Pittsburgh Area

Responsible for enthusiastically welcoming all patrons into the Carnegie Museum of Natural History. Duties include directing guests and providing information on the general venue and on specific exhibits, as well as conducting & overseeing interactive programs for all ages, from rounding up kids to go on an Amazonian adventure in EXPEDITION: Peru to rekindling adult wonder via our live animal shows.

Netflix

Assistant Videographer

August 2016 - August 2016 (1 month)

New York, New York, United States

Worked with David C. Lee on Spike Lee's Netflix special "Rodney King," starring acclaimed actor Roger Guenveur Smith.

Paramount Pictures

Stand-In

April 2016 - June 2016 (3 months)

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States

Worked on the FENCES film as a stand-in for Viola Davis.

Education

University of Colorado Boulder

Master of Science - MS, Data Science · (February 2022 - May 2024)

Carnegie Mellon University

Cognitive Science

Phillips Exeter Academy

High School