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DIRECTOR OF EVENTS

Flawlessly executes events. Consistently exceeds expectations. **Travel ready**.

HIGH-LEVEL / GLOBAL EVENTS

LIVE-STREAM / VIRTUAL EVENTS

CORPORATE / SPECIAL EVENTS

Dynamic, self-motivated, client-centric **Director of Events** expert at executing large-scale events for high-profile clientele, celebrities, VIPs, and executives. **Natural leader** with a diverse background across guest services, event management, program management, client relations, and office administration. **Calm under pressure** with a reputation for consistently exceeding expectations. Dependable and highly organized. Fearlessly embraces challenges, jumps in, **over delivers**, and treats each business as if it were my own.

LEADERSHIP ATTRIBUTES

Passionate ▲ Fearless ▲ Positive Mentor ▲ Motivational ▲ Adaptable Team Player

SIGNATURE STRENGTHS

- ▲ Global Event Planner / Manager
- ▲ VIP / Executive / Clientele
- ▲ Project Manager

- ▲ Master Negotiator
- ▲ Client / Public Relations
- ▲ Team Builder / Motivator
- ▲ Strategic Planner / Scheduler
- ▲ Clear Communicator
- ▲ Published Author / Presenter

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE



YOGA & BEYOND, Metro NYC & NJ

Owner & Founder

EVENT PLANNING

- ▲ Prepare and instruct private, corporate, group and special yoga events.
- 从 Welcome guests, staff, partner and manage vendors, review, and administer contracts.
- ▲ Plan and implement BEOs / MEOs, and direct team members for each specific event / function.
- Direct vendors to guarantee exceptional execution, and lead staff in training and logistics.
- Spearhead creative concepts for special events, fundraisers, wellness retreats, classes, workshops.

XYZ PRODUCTIONS, INC., New York, NY

2016 - 2018

2018 - Present

Executive Assistant to the President-CEO / Event Planner

Created and executed red-carpet events for high-profile clientele that included Broadway actors, agents, financial investors, producers, and elite-corporate business executives. Directed daily operations for the corporate office, 9 Broadway theatres, 16 live US theaters, and 3 international properties / venues.

EVENT PLANNING

- ▲ Supervised and directed up to 100 key staff per event.
- As the Executive in charge, directed and successfully managed multiple events simultaneously.

CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE EXCELLENCE

▲ Ensured high-profile attendees received blue-ribbon customer service at all times.

PUBLIC RELATIONS & MARKETING

- ▲ Marketed and promoted all events to increase attendance and drive revenue through digital marketing / social media.
- ▲ Managed marketing to promote venues, productions, community events, canvassed donors / sponsors for non-profits.

HIGH-LEVEL CLIENTELE

▲ Trusted confidant, advisor, and strategist to high-level entertainers, actors, producers, and executives.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

- Assisted the President with all business administration not limited to scheduling meetings, coordinating detailed travel arrangements, and managing fluid calendar appointments.
- ▲ Trusted Confidant managed a highly confidential multi-million-dollar portfolio of businesses and real estate.
- ▲ Maintained accurate accounting to ensure business entities were registered, prepared all tax information for the CPA.
- Prepared and verified expense reports, built itineraries to prioritize workflow for multiple internal / external teams.
- Hired, trained and on-boarded staff and interns.

Director of Business Development and Product Development for this technology start-up.

CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE EXCELLENCE

- Led sales and customer service teams through marketing and client experience processes, evaluated progress through building sales monitoring software.
- Designed customer service procedures implemented issue, resolution, and tracking.

PUBLIC RELATIONS & MARKETING

- Researched local / national business to deliver strategies and presentations to increase revenue and market share.
- ▲ Launched e-commerce product line description, usage, market price, seasonal availability, and product replacements.
- Liaison between clients and founders, marketed and promoted all events to increase attendance and drive revenue.
- ▲ Developed brand awareness and marketing strategies that gained market recognition.

ADMINISTRATION

- ▲ Worked effectively at this start-up on multiple competing project simultaneously and transitioned assignments with ease.
- Managed an accurate corporate database, analyzed data, created spreadsheets, and presented data to the founders.
- ▲ Collaborated with sales teams, partners, and investors to ensure tight deadlines were met.

VVV, Toms, River, NJ 2004 – 2015

Dual Role - Director of Global Projects & Events - Reporter / Writer

Directed and launched large, flawless worldwide events for high-profile clientele.

EVENT PLANNING

- Arranged logistics, managed, and delivered domestic and international events on time and within budget.
- ▲ Ensured excellence in all categories, negotiated contracts, prepared, and distributed schedules, events, and timelines.
- Designed and presented program materials and event packets for clients and VIPs.
- ▶ Planned for-profit events with gains year-over-year.
- ▲ Developed and maintained collaborative partnerships with premier hotel brands that included MGM Entertainment and Caesars Entertainment.
- A Partnered with on-site staff members / internal team members to execute excellence across all departments.

CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE EXCELLENCE

- ▲ Prioritized the customer experience by producing innovative and unique industry events that garnered repeat attendance.

PUBLIC RELATIONS & MARKETING

- Created unique marketing strategies, brands and materials for new events and product releases.
- ▲ Developed concepts and themes, designed printed and digital content working in partnership with creative teams.
- Sourced and recommended new products, presented unique event ideas, and located sponsorship opportunities.
- Composed magazines to streamline advertising distribution and authored numerous books for multi-million-dollar entities.

ADMINISTRATION

- Recruited, managed, and trained teams, and identified individual strengths to maximize productivity.
- Maintained detailed CRM systems including data for clients, vendors, sponsors, attendees, and promotions.
- ▲ Streamlined the reservation / registration process, hired, trained, and onboarded new hires and interns.
- Increased new streams of revenue by identifying industry needs and emerging trends.

EDUCATION / TECHNOLOGY

The College of New Jersey, Trenton, NJ

Bachelor of Science – Education / Certified Teacher

Yoga Alliance - Certified E-RYT-500 Yoga Instructor / Coach Training Alliance / Certified Life Coach
Microsoft Office Suite / Zoom / Access / QuickBooks / Quickens / CRM / SalesForce / Sales Logix / Mindbody / CVENT
Attended numerous PCMA & ASAE meetings and conferences

PUBLICATIONS

Authored: Commercial Guide to Fish and Shellfish / Seafood Price-Current (bi-weekly commodity price index for seafood), The Reporter Magazine (quarterly trade magazine featuring center of the plate protein items), Tuna, Grading and Evaluation, The Complete Tuna Buyer's Handbook (a complete guide on how to trade and evaluate Tuna).

INTERESTS

Health and Wellness Outdoor Adventures / Travel Skiing / Hiking / Yoga