

JOHN STUART THOMAS

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Creative Photographer, Video Producer, and Editor with over 2 years of experience in developing engaging and innovative graphic content for clients in broad range of industries. Strives excellently in challenging environment.

Highly adept at photography, videography, non-linear editing, branding, and content marketing. Expert knowledge of web content development, computer aided design, and editing software programs. Managed multiple projects simultaneously. Excellent communicator able to work as part of a team or individually. Dedicated to staying up to date on new techniques and procedures. Seeking position within an organization and team that can fully utilize skills to achieve their business needs and objectives:

Project Management | Decision-making | Relationship Management | Budget Development | Effective communication | Time Management | Negotiation | Analysis | Conflict Resolution | Social Media | Creative | Graphics Design | Digital Media | Strategic Planning | Video Editing

AREA OF EXPERTISE

- Attention to detail with excellent communication, organizational, and problem-solving skills
- Social media content
- Strong creative design skills
- Trend and emerging brand awareness
- Proactive approach to learning new things

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

John Thomas Media,

Photography and Video Producer/Editor

January 2019 - present

- Developed visually engaging content for clients within a broad range of industries.
- Photographed and worked with photographers to shoot weddings, portraits, corporate events, and BTS photography.
- Led creative projects using latest software technologies to provide best visually engaging results.
- Knowledgeable within photography composition, video editing, communications, and social media.

Katherine Budny Photography,

Assistant Photographer/Editor/Social Media Consultant.

May 2018 - present

- Intern and second shooter photographer who performed administrative client duties, content writing, and digital marketing tasks as well as shooting and editing client galleries.
- Work with photographer to engage with followers/client outreach, and track audience analytics.
- Prepare content for social media activities or clients and keep up to date on social media best practices & trends.
- Monitor conversation on social media properties.

J. Crew,

Seasonal Order Selection Associate.

November 2019 - January 2019

- Work with distribution center team to provide exceptional customer service to all J. Crew/Madewell customers by selecting merchandise to fulfill and deliver orders accurately.
- Practiced proper warehousing and storage practices.
- Worked at a rapid rate to meet tight deadlines.
- Reported damaged and out-of-stock product to manager.
- Presented excellent and professional customer service interaction.

Camp Kesem at University of Richmond,

Video Producer (Videographer/Editor).

August 2019 - December 2019

- Worked with professional volunteer camp staff as videographer for University of Richmond's Camp Kesem. Produced/edited videos to tell their story.
- Establishing an efficient workflow to execute several videos including their scripting, pre-production, shooting, and editing.
- Shooting and directing videos for Camp Kesem.
- Perform other essential tasks as needed.

**Blue Ridge Scout Reservation,
Summer Videographer.**

June 2019

- Assisted reservation in capturing various footage of camp/reservation programs for use in future Scouting and organizational content objectives.
- Prepared all media for complete editing work – logging, synching, and clipping.
- Aided in a digital image and video editing, retouching/modifying of images and colors.

**Regent University Endowed Film,
Digital Content Manager.**

May 2018 - July 2018

- Marketing manager for the Fall 2019 Regent University Endowed Film: Harmonica man
- Worked with production team to manage, create, schedule social media content and other marketing related tasks
- Present film's story to established audience through social media and content creation.
- Designed a website for film information to be displayed/organized for film's festival circuit

**Regent University (Marketing Dept.),
Photography/Public Relations Intern.**

May 2018 - July 2018

- Shot photos on demand for creative team, documented University events, gathered research and background info, helped rough out preliminary copy & layout for various pubs & e-marketing tasks.
- Maintain a focus to deliver top notch customer service to the marketing department.
- Collaborated successfully with a variety of personalities and work styles.

**Blue Ridge Scout Reservation,
Camp Staff/Archery Director/Instructor.**

June 2013 – Aug 2017

- USA Archery Level 1 certified instructor who managed Camp Ottari archery range
- Taught & spoke at camp programs, created lesson plans, served food, maintained inventory, and performed customer service.
- Managed Camp Ottari archery range including supplies, teaching aids, and equipment as well as serving as the instructor for several archery merit badge classes.
- Responsible for instructing 11-13-year-old scouts in attaining basic scout requirements that will help to advance their scout knowledge and rank.
- Responsible for leading and instructing programs/merit badge for 11-17-year-old scouts working with a team responsible for delivering programs to 100-500 participants each week.

EDUCATION

Regent University

B.A. Strategic Communications (GPA 3.22/4.0)

Minors: Business; Cinema- Television

HONORS AND AWARDS

Communication Honor Society, Lambda Pi Eta [2017 - 2019]

SAA of the Month, Student Alumni Ambassadors

[Awarded Jan. 2017]

Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts of America [Awarded 2014]

Superior Rating, National Federation of Music Clubs [2010 – 2013]

VOLUNTEER/EXTRACURRICULAR WORK

Photographer, Lynchburg Parks and Recreation, 2019 – Student Alumni Ambassador, Regent Office of Alumni Relations, 2016 – 2019

Executive Student Leadership, Regent Photography Club, 2017 - 2019

Student Filmmaker, Regent CinemaScope Student Club, 2018 – 2019

Photographer, John Thomas Media, 2015 – present

Student Volunteer, Regent University (missions to Hampton Roads, Atlanta, Puerto Rico), 2015-2018

Contributor - Photo & Writer, The Daily Runner [Regent Student Media], 2018 - 2019

Research Analyst, ENACTUS (Regent Entrepreneurial Group), 2015 – 2016

Varsity/Junior Varsity Soccer Player, Lynchburg Patriots (LHSAA) teams, 2010 – 2013

Pianist (Superior Rating Piano Solo), National Federation of Music Clubs, 2004 – 2013

Various Leadership positions (Senior Patrol Leader), Boy Scout Troop 183, 2005 – 2015

Audio/Visual Technician, Bellevue United Methodist, 2012 – 2015