Nikki Paz DeBenedetto

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Experience

Costume, Wardrobe, & Wigs / Sleep No More & The McKittrick Hotel
December 2017 - Present. New York, NY

- Construction of costumes for Sleep No More and other events at The McKittrick Hotel
- Day work including steaming, prepping & mending costumes, wigs, and shoes, maintaining the dressing room, and pre-setting costumes for shows
- Show shifts including laundry duties and assisting actors with dressing before show

Creative Director / Meli Luna
January 2014 - Present. New York, NY

- Owner of small fashion brand with cult following
- Create eco-friendly clothing, textiles, and fabric dyes
- Run creative workshops, website, and blog

Sewing & Craft Instructor / Brooklyn Craft Farm
October 2017 - Present. Brooklyn, New York

- Assist with craft parties and other events
- Teach sewing and weaving at Brooklyn Public Schools

Visitor Experience / Franklin Park Conservatory
February - June 2016. Columbus, OH

- Educated guests about exhibits in a popular art museum & botanical garden

Assistant Designer Lingerie & Lounge / La Senza
October 2016 - January 2017 Columbus, OH

- Researched and used trend projection to design clothing
- Utilized Adobe illustrator and Photoshop to sketch new designs

Costume Maintenance / Costume Specialists, Inc.
August 2015 - January 2016. Columbus, OH

- Mended, repaired, and maintained costumes and mascots for rent.

Art & Sewing Instructor / The Fashion Class
February - December 2014. New York, NY

- Developed and taught classes to engage students in drawing, sewing, and branding.

Assistant Designer Active & Loungewear / Love by Design
July 2013 - March 2014. New York, NY

- Designed Juniors Active and Loungewear for private label clients
- Managed showrooms and assisted in buyer meetings
- Supervised fittings and implemented social media presence

Education

Parsons The New School for Design / BFA Integrated Design Fashion and Costume (2013)
University of the Arts London / Fashion & Culture Studies at Central St. Martins
American Public University / Continuing studies in Art & Psychology

Freelance & Short Term

Wardrobe Dresser / Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade 2017
Clothing Alteration & Customization / Nike SoHo.
Fashion Week Wardrobe Dresser / Various shows, NYC and London
Arts Event Coordinator / CBGB Music Festival
Design and Textile Assistant / Christian Joy Costumes
Design & Production Assistant / Daryl K. S/S 2011 Collection
Stylist Assistant / Righty Righty Right Magazine

Volunteer

Assistant Wardrobe Manager / Just Off Broadway, Inc
Event Assistant / The Blogcademy
Events Volunteer / Creative Babes
Art Therapy Volunteer / Love Yourself Project
Communications Volunteer & Contributing Artist / We Speak in Art & African Impact
Children's Theatre Volunteer Costume, Sets and Props / PS 8 Charter School