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SKILLS

Spoken languages: English, Spanish

Audio Programs: Adobe Audition, Audacity

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts in Communications, 2005
Concentration: Radio, Television, Film
DePaul University

Beginning and Intermediate Voice Over, 2016-2017
Acting Studio Chicago

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

WGN 720 AM

Fill in Host

September 2016 - October 2018

- Serve as fill-in host for on-air talent.
- Assist producers in looking for interesting topics to discuss during segments by searching through news articles, blog posts, and event postings.
- Engage with co-hosts, producers on-air with topics and questions.
- Interact with listeners through games, questions, calls and stories.
- Interact with a wide range of guests (musicians, authors, inventors, comics, people involved in interesting stories).

United States Traffic Network/Radiate Media

Traffic Reporter

Jan. 2015 - Sept. 2018

- Reported and monitored the various roadways through the Chicagoland area and Northwest Indiana.
- Exclusive to WGN 720AM
- Interacted with on air talent on a daily basis throughout the show.

Fill In Traffic Reporter

July 2013-January 2015

- Reported on air at WBEZ 91.5FM, WDRV 97.1FM, WTMX 101.9FM, WCPT 820AM, WGN 720AM

You, Me, Them, Everybody

Dec. 2009-Present

Chicago Co-Host

- Co-host of the Chicago branch of nationally recorded live arts and entertainment podcast.
- Interview a wide array of guests from musicians and comedians to activists and writers.
- Assist in scheduling guests.

Jonathon Brandmeier Morning Show–WLUP 97.9FM

Morning Show Assistant

Nov. 2005-Nov. 2009

- Responsible for daily pre-show preparation, including supply inventory, guest relations, and relaying updates to morning show staff.
- Assisted in scheduling of morning show guests and acted as morning show executive producer as needed.
- Continued guest relation services on day of airing, as well as post-show.
- Supervised staff of interns.
- Had a weekly on-air segment talking about new DVD and music releases.
- Was a fill-in for news and traffic.