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Education and Qualifications

BOA Creative Digital and Performing arts

2021-2023

BTEC Level 2 creative media production D*D*

7 GCSE's all passed, grades from 6-9 for all

BOA Stage and Screen Production Academy

2023 - 2025

BTEC Level 3 extended diploma in creative media practice- predicted D*D*D*

Skills



- On time and efficient worker
- Worked and taught film, tv and radio
- Good at working under pressure and with time constraints
- Love working in a team and can also work alone
- Great understanding of tech, worked vision mixing live shows and with large studio set ups
- Strong communication skills, adaptable and flexible for roles
- I play piano and the drums
- strong professionalism, leadership skills and worth ethic
- I can edit on Premier pro and Davinci Resolve
- I know how to work a radio desk well
- Great with deadlines and multitasking
- Strong organisation skills
- Positive and resilient

AJ DIAZ-THOMAS

Film maker

Profile and Introduction

Hi, I'm Aj, a passionate filmmaker with a creative mind. I specialise in making films, documentary and tv projects, and making music videos for people to watch and enjoy. I've worked in film, tv and radio, with industry professionals and on large shoots. As an aspiring Director, I am dedicated to crafting unique and memorable content that resonates with audiences. I love cinematography and want to try my hand at everything in the industry to help deepen my knowledge and gain experience. My love for films and music is what drives me to create, and I am excited to share my passion with others.

Work and Industry Experience

October
2024

Runner and Camera Operator

Industry panel with Steven Knight and Create Central

In October I worked as a Runner and Camera Operator on a professional film shoot and industry panel, featuring Steven Knight and other industry film and content creators, including the BBC and Create Central. I made coffee and tea, networked with members of the panel, helped set up, made sure the set was tidy and moved equipment. I got to chat to others and learnt about sound design and set up, the editing process and more about the Birmingham film hub.

November
2024

Production Assistant Speakers for Schools Multi-Cam

I worked as a production assistant on a professional multicam live stream broadcast, which went out to every comprehensive school around the UK and was broadcast around the globe, we even had viewers in the United States. My role was vital as I kept the show running on time, queued in VT's and made sure presenters knew what was coming up and timings.

Septmeber
2021
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Present

Radio Presenter and Producer

B2 Radio at Birmingham Ormiston Academy

Since 2021, I have been a part of a team at B2 Radio, our local school radio station at Birmingham Ormiston Academy, where every week I present a conversation and music based radio show with my team. Through the years we've put together themed specials and chart shows. I've worked on the BTS scenes aspects of radio, working to produce, research and write shows. I also work the desk and present shows, my current show is called Dinner with Mum and Dad.

March
2022
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Present

Teaching Assistant of Film and TV

Pauline Quirke Academy Sutton Coldfield

In March 2022, I gained a temporary work placement at the UK Performing Arts Academy PQA to help with film and Tv, they were so impressed with my work quality and attitude that the next year they offered me a paid job. I now teach film and tv to children aged 4-18, every Saturday from 9-5 making films, large projects and planning and teaching lessons each week. These films have gone to film festivals across the UK and have won awards. I now am registered and have a DBS and also help out with the children's musical theatre lessons and help run their social media.

November
2023
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January
2024

Follow Spot Operator and Sound Engineer 'Peter Pan' The Musical

I volunteered and helped tech shows for The Old Rep theatre from November to January. I worked on spot cue and also was a sound engineer for special effects, music and backing tracks. I worked over late nights, under pressure and was mentored by industry professionals, I also worked with them and had a great experience for my first time teching a live show.

References

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