

MARY KATE

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Dedicated professional with a background in museum studies and a proven track record in local history collections. Passionate about fostering community connections through art, science and culture education.

WORK HISTORY

Curatorial Intern, 01/2023 - 05/2023

Colorado Springs Pioneers Museum, Colorado Springs, CO

- Moved and handled various artworks and artifacts with exceptional care, following best practices.
- Implemented comprehensive stewardship program.
- Received, photographed, cataloged, researched, and prepared artifacts for display for Alice Bemis Taylor's founding collection.
- Redesigned Colorado Day Nursery exhibit room, to include related graphics and artifact selection to preserve quality and enhance educational impact.
- Worked with members of maintenance team to alter exhibit space while protecting collection.
- Participated in team projects, demonstrating ability to work collaboratively and effectively.
- Organized and attended meetings to discuss project status from proposal to project completion.

Innovation Intern, 01/2023 - 05/2023

T. Rowe Price Career & Innovation Center, Colorado Springs, CO

- Completed research, compiled data, updated spreadsheets and produced timely reports for bi-weekly meetings with clients.
- Created sustainability metrics through quantitative research.
- Development of incoming processing system for large donations to maximize sustainability efforts.
- Launch marketing program to raise service awareness and impact.
- Collaborate and gather research for sustainability grants.
- Analyzed problems and worked with teams to develop solutions.
- Explored new technologies and approaches to streamline processes.

Merchandiser, 01/2016 - 01/2018

Lawrence Merchandising, O'Fallon, IL

- Develop store displays per plans of client or create plan via best practices for specific sites.



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LINKS

- <https://mzimmer24.wixsite.com/mary-kates-portfolio>

SKILLS

- Exhibit Planning
- AutoCAD
- Museum Education
- Staff Supervision
- Customer Service
- Provenance Investigation
- Museum Collections
- Exhibit Preparation
- Public Lecturing
- Creative Direction
- Installations
- Cultural Sensitivity

- Create in-store displays, ensuring effective merchandising for optimal shopping experience.
- Read and interpreted design plans to understand project specifications.
- Advocated for and managed brand image, strengthening its local and regional presence.
- Provided exemplary customer service, fostering positive relationships with internal and external stakeholders.
- Established strong vendor relationships to maintain and support business.
- Inspected merchandise for quality and arranged proper display location on floor.

Cabinet Design Specialist, District Trainer, 11/2000 - 05/2010
Lowe's Home Centers, LLC, Killeen, TX

- Utilized AutoCAD software to create detailed drawings of custom cabinetry.
- Coordinated with suppliers for prompt delivery of materials.
- Participated in business improvement groups to capture information and feedback for topic delivery and training mandates.
- Optimized training curriculum with team exercises, group discussions and lectures.
- Maintained accurate records of work performed for billing purposes.
- Read and interpreted design plans to understand project specifications.
- Inspected completed cabinets for quality assurance.
- Worked with clients to design and construct custom cabinets based on needs and preferences.
- Blueprint design understanding

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Innovation (BI) Degree in Museum Studies & Gallery Practice, Museum Studies And Gallery Practice, 12/2023

University of Colorado Colorado Springs - Colorado Springs, CO

- Awarded Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award for Museum Studies
- President's List 4.0 GPA: 2021-2023
- Magna cum Laude graduate
- Relevant Coursework: Exhibit Design, Collections Management, Museums and Meaning through Source Communities, Museum Education
- Professional Development: Object-based and inquiry based learning techniques in a museum setting

AFFILIATIONS

- American Alliance of Museums
- Colorado-Wyoming Association of Museums