

MICHELLE BOT

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EXPERIENCE

MICHELLE BOT PHOTOGRAPHY, Minneapolis, MN

Freelance Photographer, 5/05-Present

- Document special events for various clients
 - The Jane Goodall Institute's Global Youth Summit, 2008
 - D.C. LEARNs 11th Annual Literacy Awards & Recognition Event, 2007
 - Capture portraits and decisive moments for an assortment of weddings
- Serve as a photographic assistant at various commercial studios
- Photograph journalistic style portraits for individuals and families
- Work with artists to create digital slides of their artwork for archival and promotional purposes

NASH FRAME DESIGN, Minneapolis, MN

Custom Framer, 3/08-Present

- Creatively implement specific layouts and designs in order to best display the customer's chosen artwork
- Assemble the molding and mounted artwork in a clean and professional manner paying close attention to detail

THE JANE GOODALL INSTITUTE, Arlington, VA

Image/Archive Communications Intern, 5/07-11/07

- Managed and updated Dr. Goodall/JGI's electronic image library
- Organized the photo and slide archives as well as the video archives
- Coordinated duplication services for various video and digital formats
- Designed ads for publication in order to promote the Institute and their cause
- Photographed special events to create media to add to the image archives as well as publication purposes
 - The Jane Goodall Institute's 30th Anniversary Gala in Washington DC, 2007
 - Private meetings with Dr. Jane Goodall, JGI President Bill Johnston, and various Senators and Representatives
 - Sewell/Belmont House Roots & Shoots event and lecture by Dr. Jane Goodall
 - The Jane Goodall Institute's dinner in honor of Tanzanian President Jakaya Kikwete, 2007
 - Children Uniting Nations National Conference at the Wilson Center
- Photographed merchandise and other products for marketing and archival purposes
- Utilized Adobe Photoshop CS2 to balance, enhance, and crop images that were valuable archive material
- Handled licensing and permissions requests by phone, mail, email and fax
- Provided photos and creative support for JGI publications and projects
- Video taped various events and lectures to be added to the archives

IOWA EVENT CENTER, Des Moines, IA

House Photographer, 9/06-12/06

- Aided in the promotion of local Iowa events by photographing concerts and athletic events to be included in marketing materials
- Equipment used; a Canon Rebel XT digital SLR camera and a Nikon D200 digital SLR
- Utilized Adobe Photoshop CS2 to balance and enhance the images in order to make them publication-ready

JENTSCH PHOTOGRAPHY, Grimes, IA

Assistant Event Photographer, 4/06-12/06

- Assisted in the photographing of weddings, graduations, and portraits
- Set up lighting equipment in various settings for posed pictures
- Directed people to form aesthetically pleasing arrangements for formal portraits
- Shot photos on color and black and white 35mm film

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY, Ames, IA

Research Assistant, Department of Art and Design 8/06-12/06

- Tutored photography students by helping them understand and utilize design elements successfully
- Performed daily maintenance measures on darkroom and digital equipment in the photography studio
- Tested the effectiveness of light-sensitive papers and developing chemicals

Photography Lab Monitor, Department of Art and Design, 8/05-12/06

- Tested and replaced photographic chemicals for darkroom use
- Calibrated digital printers and replaced ink to increase the accuracy of printed digital photographs
- Assisted photography students with questions regarding darkroom use

Photographer, Iowa State Daily, 5/05-8/05

- Photographed various assigned people and events to make the *Daily's* news content more effective and attention-grabbing
- Utilized a Canon 1D digital SLR camera to capture the desired images
- Sized and adjusted photograph labels in Photoshop CS2

DUBLIN BAY RESTAURANT, Ames, IA

Server, 5/05-12/06

- Greeted and conversed with customers
- Responsible for providing restaurant patrons with knowledgeable service and a friendly atmosphere

EXHIBITIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

- *2007 Best of College Photography*, published photograph, 2007
- *Developed 2007 Calendar: Angles of Ames*, 2007
- *2006 Best of College Photography*, published photograph, 2006
- Des Moines Arts Festival, Emerging Iowa Artist, 2006
- *Focus* Juried Exhibition, Iowa State Award of Merit, 2006
- *Focus* Grant award, large format black and white nighttime photography, 2006
- *Print and Photo* Juried Exhibition, Memorial Union Gallery, Iowa State University, 2005-2006
- Iowa State Fair Photography Exhibition, summer 2005
- *Studies in Creativity* Juried Exhibition, Memorial Union Gallery, Iowa State University, 2005
- *Lift and Access Magazine*, published photograph, June 2005

EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF LIBERAL STUDIES

December 2006

Iowa State University – Ames, IA

With Distinction – cumulative GPA: 3.52

Emphases: Arts and Communication, Social Sciences, and Humanities

Minor: Spanish

HONORS: Iowa State University Award for Competitive Excellence, 2003-2006

Dean's list - three semesters

Photographer's Forum Magazine's 27th Annual College Photography Contest, Award of Excellence, 2007

Photographer's Forum Magazine's 26th Annual College Photography Contest, Award of Excellence, 2006

Focus grant award, large format black and white nighttime photography, 2006

Focus Juried Exhibition, Iowa State Award of Merit, 2006

Developed Juried Photography Show, Honorable Mention, 2006

PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES AND AFFILIATIONS

- Society for Photographic Education (SPE) 44th National Conference. Miami, FL. March 15-18, 2007
- Midwest Society for Photographic Education (MWSPE) Regional Conference. Omaha, NE. October 26-29, 2006
- Society for Photographic Education (SPE) 43rd National Conference. Chicago, IL. March 23-26, 2006
- Society for Photographic Education (SPE) member, 2006-present
- Student Photography Society (SPS) member, 2006

ACTIVITIES

- Global Citizens Network volunteer, Tanzania, January 2007
- Vice President, Developed (Iowa State University Photography Club), Fall 2006
- Semester study abroad, Càceres, Spain, Fall 2004