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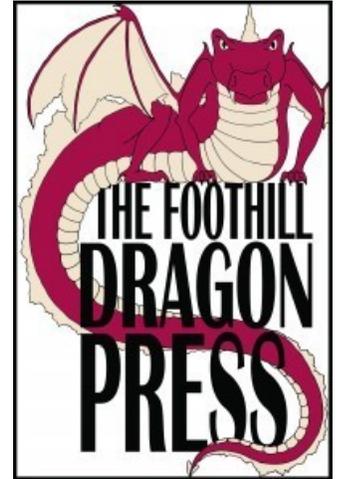
Fashion Writer
Fashion Section



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Summary

My Name is Kinsey Thomas. I am a current Senior at Foothill Technology High School and hold the position as Fashion Writer for The Foothill Dragon Press. She also helps with any photos needed for the online newspaper.



Education

Foothill Technology High School

Ventura, CA, United States

Aug 2010 - Jun 2014

Work History

Foothill Dragon Press

Ventura, United States

Aug 2013 - Present

Fashion Writer

Fashion Writer for the Fashion Section on the online newspaper, The Foothill Dragon Press.

Rubicon Theatre Company

Ventura, United States

Jun 2011 - Present

Stage Manager and Costumer

Assists as backstage crew in order to have a run of a professional theatre production perform within 3 weeks.

Saint Bonaventure Drama Department

Ventura, United States

Jan 2014 - May 2014

Stage Manager

Manage and run daily rehearsals. Call and give all cues for a high school two act musical.

References

Melissa Wantz (712)

FDP Advisor
The Foothill Dragon Press

Brian McDonald (712)

Director
Rubicon Theatre Comapnay

Patricia Strickland (712)

Director
Saint Bonnie Drama Dept.

Best Work

Choosing the Perfect Water Bottle



This article is part of my best work because I believe it is one of my best written articles. Also the topic is very popular so with that the readers are grabbed by a product they are wanting to buy. The facts about the water bottles both look wise and functionality wise work well together in the article.

How To Transform Your Summer Closet to Fall



This article is a top article because of the resourcefulness the article is helping the reader participate in. Also with so many fashion articles it sometimes seems like it is just a market to keep buying things. But with this article it is more of the idea to re-purpose clothing rather than buying new.

How To: Make the Perfect Retro DIY Bow



This article is one of my favorites because it is giving an activity for the audience to participate in, and easily. I also think the media is done very well and the instructions written are very understandable.

Personal Initiative

1. At the beginning of the year even before being trained and gone through the steps of writing an article I began covering all of the Spirit Days that had to do with fashion. This type of slideshow showing students fashion on a spirit day brought more readers to the site. To see if they were featured in the article, and then read what else is going on, on The FDP. I have taken initiative with photos this year even though my job is not necessarily photographer and I have learned so much as a writer and a part-time photographer.

2. The FIDM article took a lot of initiative at the end of the year in order to cover such an amazing event that so many Foothill students attended. I set up the media a week before talked with my co-writer and made sure that covering this event was okay with FIDM. This showed my initiative but it showed the most when we were at the event and I managed to get front row seats to the fashion show by speaking with the head of seating and when we got an interview with Project Runway star Nick Verreos. This article took a lot of initiative but with the help of Paris and going for it, it turned out to be a great article.

Community

Community oriented extra-curricular activities I am involved in:

- Rubicon Theatre Company: volunteer, actress, tech
- FIRE Crew
- Kiwins
- President of Drama Club
- Company's All-district Show-choir
- NHS

- VITA Arts Center
- Performance Theatre for Young Artists
- Ventura City Corps.

Character

LOYALTY:

Loyalty as a trait appeals to me regarding The Foothill Dragon Press because we have a name and reputation to uphold and our team must have a huge amount of loyalty to our newspaper in order for our site to flourish. Without the teams loyalty we would crumble and this year through FDP I have really learned what it means to be loyal.

As a first year staffer I have seen the loyalty that my editors and past staffers have for this publication. They strive to keep it the best it can be and more. Seeing that type of loyalty from my own peers has helped me stay loyal with the Dragon Press. I feel I have been very loyal to the Dragon Press and have helped keep the vision that we want for this publication. Loyalty in the Dragon Press has taught me to commit and create wonderful work, because others are depending on you.

Skills

Fashion Writing (Advanced)



1-2 Years Experience, (Currently in use)

When I first came to the Dragon Press I felt that I had a great skill to fashion. But the Dragon Press has really helped me develop the skill about writing about fashion and how to attract the audience. Having to research more about different types of clothing and ensembles have also helped me strengthen my fashion writing abilities.

Photography (Intermediate)



3-4 Years Experience, (Currently in use)

I feel this year has really helped my solidify the basic use of photography and how to take a good picture that is appealing to the eye. With deadlines and quick photos that need to be shot that very minute, the Dragon Press has helped me with my skill of Photography get stronger.

Social Media (Intermediate)



<1 Years Experience, (Currently in use)

The mandatory Twitter and Soundcloud embeds for each article submitted has really helped me with my social media skills. I now know how to embed a tweet for a site and create a soundcloud, actions I could never do before FDP.