

STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Award-winning, classically trained photographer leveraging creative eye and technical excellence to realize an artistic vision. Skilled at **developing and managing diverse assignments and subjects**. Excellent aptitude in **digital asset management, professional collaboration, calendar management, and business operations**.

SKILLS: Digital Photography | Videography | Photojournalism | Lighting | Art Direction | Editing | Print Media | Online Publications | Production | Project Management | Budgeting | Social Media | Digital Assets | Adobe Photoshop | Lightroom | Final Cut Pro HD | Avid | Premiere | Soundtrack | Live Type | Photo Mechanic | Transmit | Fetch | QuickSlides | TCMS Blox Asset Management | Microsoft Office 360 | MediaBin Asset Manager

EQUIPMENT: SLR Cameras – Canon, Nikon & Hasselbad | **Video Cameras** – Canon, Sony & Panasonic

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE & SELECTED ACCOMPLISHMENTS

THE VILLAGES DAILY SUN (THE VILLAGES MEDIA GROUP): The Villages, FL 2016–2017
Senior Staff Photographer

Produced and edited visual content for major community newspaper with daily circulation of up to 120K, and corresponding web site, assisting reporters through visual storytelling. Conceptualized and managed photographic and video assignments documenting news, sports, and entertainment, and oversaw long-term photojournalistic and creative projects and special sections. Posed and arranged subjects, managing lighting, setting, conditions, and art direction for portraits, buildings, and other subjects. Organized, archived, and managed digital assets.

- **Streamlined digital asset management architecture, improving retrieval** via creation of archival data structure and tagging protocols, and led transition to unified storage base.
- **Named 2016 Society for News Design Award for Photography winner** for 2016 high school football special section. Managed art direction, logistics, and all photography.
- **Developed junior photographers via on-the-job training** and individual coaching on photographic technique, story development, and workflow management.
- **Increased online readership by pioneering video journalism at the Daily Sun**, increasing reader engagement by delivering innovative content on website and on social media platforms.

QUAD-CITY TIMES (A LEE ENTERPRISES NEWSPAPER): Davenport, IA 2005–2016
Staff Photojournalist

After joining organization as part-time staff photojournalist, transitioned to full-time in 2014, with increased responsibility for covering and managing variety of subjects and assignments, including news, sports, portraits, court hearings, and other visual features for the newspaper's print and web platforms. Independently developed photographic subjects through "feature hunting."

- **Recipient of multiple prestigious awards for excellence in photography.**
- **Managed 4-person photography department as backup coverage for Photo Editor.** Ran department meetings; delegated assignments; and selected, edited, and positioned photographs.
- **Assigned to cover major out-of-town sporting events**, including Big Ten Football Championship Game in Indianapolis, University of Iowa football games, and others high profile collegiate games.
- **Spearheaded department modernization of photographic equipment and infrastructure**, influencing publication executives on phased multi-year financial investment on bodies, lenses, and technology.
- **Broke record to date for most tweet impressions to date for photostory, with 190K+ tweets**, for "Black & the Brave," profile of current WWE wrestler Seth Rollins published both online and in print.

FREELANCE & OTHER EXPERIENCE

BREMS PHOTOGRAPHIC SERVICES: The Villages, FL & Davenport, IA 2004–Present
Principal | Freelance Photographer | Videographer

- **Provided local and regional coverage for local, national, and international news outlets** on diverse subjects including college and professional sports, events, politics, and other topics.
- **Managed merchandise photography and editing assignments for corporate clients** including Hy-Vee Supermarkets, John Deere, UFC Magazine, and Tapout Clothing.
- **Photographed major sporting events for Sports Illustrated, including on-field shoots of Big Ten athletics.**
- **Covered Iowa Presidential Caucuses on behalf of major news outlets.**
- **Media Clients Include:** Washington Post, LA Times, Detroit Free Press, Charlotte Observer, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, MSNBC, ABC News, CBS, CNN, and Fox News.

DEERE & COMPANY: Moline, IL 2010–2011
Digital Imaging Technician, John Deere Photo Studio

Managed and edited media assets for John Deere’s internal photo studio. Cataloged assets in MediaBin.

ADDITIONAL RELEVANT EXPERIENCE: Seasonal and part time assignments including wedding photography with River Cities Photography (Moline, IL) and photo retouching and editing work with Nordstrom (Cedar Rapids, IA) for merchandise presented on e-commerce website.

HONORS & AWARDS

2015 IOWA NEWSPAPER AWARDS (INPA): 1st Place, Sports Photography (Big Ten Championship Game photo)

2015 ASSOCIATED PRESS MEDIA EDITORS: 1st Place, Sports Photography (Big Ten Championship Game photo)

2015 ASSOCIATED PRESS MEDIA EDITORS: 1st Place, Features (Hot Air Balloon feature photo)

2014 IOWA ASSOCIATED PRESS MEDIA EDITORS: 2nd Place, Features (Water Park feature photo)

2007 WEST VIRGINIA PRESS ASSOCIATION: NEWS Photographer of the Year

EDUCATION, TRAINING & MEMBERSHIP

THE BROOKS INSTITUTE: Associate of Arts Degree in Visual Journalism

GANNETT NEWSPAPERS & SHAW MEDIA: Multimedia Video Boot Camps

NATIONAL PRESS PHOTOGRAPHERS ASSOCIATION: Active Member