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Dear CTP team,

I am writing to you because I believe my extensive video production experience and passion for visual storytelling makes me uniquely qualified for the Video & Broadcast Producer position at CTP.

At Danvers Community Access Television (DCAT) I continuously develop my technical skills and challenge myself professionally as the Education & Government Coordinator. I have experience in every facet of video production, and have been the lead in producing over 50 video projects to promote new initiatives and ideas in collaboration with the Danvers public school system, the town of Danvers government and other groups in town. I am known within the community as a professional who fully utilizes the potential of visual storytelling to create an engaging, entertaining, and educational final product. I have a robust understanding of the entire production process, and have spent much of my time at DCAT teaching a diverse group of members about how to take their productions from concept to its final product in any circumstance. I pride myself on my ability to use creative and innovative thinking to solve a broad range of challenges under pressure while maintaining a high quality of work. I am able to multitask and adapt to different challenges that may arise, as I have seen just about everything that can go wrong in a shoot or production. I was an integral part of the team at DCAT that won Overall Excellence in Combined Public, Education or Government Access at the Alliance for Community Media Hometown Media Awards for the year of 2019.

My passion for visual storytelling also extends outside of my work life, as I work on independent projects that have helped refine my leadership skills, create collaborative and inclusive environments, and learn to balance a drive for success while creating a positive atmosphere where everyone can feel comfortable. In 2018 and 2019, I led a team in the Boston 48 Hour Film Festival, where I had to create a short film from beginning to finished product in less than 48 hours. My crew and I received several accolades for our 2019 entry, *Balut*, including Best Editing, Best Use of Genre, Best Use of Prop, and Best Score, as well as nominations for Best Director, Best Cinematography and Best Sound.

I am deeply dedicated to the field of video production. I bring a sense of positivity, professionalism, collaboration and creativity to every aspect of my work, which will make me an essential part of your team and vision. I invite you to look at my online portfolio website (www.BenJoeTom.com) to see my past projects. My comprehensive experience and drive to bring stories to life makes me an excellent candidate for the Video & Broadcast Producer position. I would like the chance to speak to you further about this position, and I invite you to reach out to me at the contacts listed above.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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AWARDS

BOSTON 48 HOUR FILM
PROJECT 2019

Best Editing
Best Use of Genre
Best Use of Prop

ACM HOMETOWN MEDIA
AWARDS 2019

Overall Excellence in
Combined Public, Education
or Government Access

SKILLS

- Video editing
- Photography
- Adobe Creative Suite
- Digital video shooting
- Audio production
- Collaborative
- Detail Oriented
- Creative
Problem-Solver

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

EDUCATION AND GOVERNMENT COORDINATOR

Danvers Community Access TV | Danvers, MA | 6/2015 to Present

Produce content in collaboration with school district and town government for town public access TV station.

- Script, film and edit PSAs, documentaries and studio shows to promote school and government initiatives
- Teach community members all facets of media production, from concept to production to final product and everything in between
- Design and manage inclusive and collaborative environment for college and high school interns, members, and part time employees
- Manage production of content for Education and Government channels

VIDEOGRAPHER

Danvers Community Access TV | Danvers, MA | 9/2014 to 6/2015

- Film sports games and government meetings

MEDIA PRODUCTION INTERN

Danvers Community Access TV | Danvers, MA | 5/2014 to 8/2014

- Assist with day to day operations of studio including video production and video editing

EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMMUNICATIONS

Salem State University | 2011- 2015

Concentration: Media Production

Minor: Interactive Multimedia

PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

Emerson College | 9/2018- 11/2018

Course: Writing the Short Script

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REFERENCES

DANA HEALY

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