

SCOTT ANDREW TAYLOR

Cinematographer Content Creator Storyteller

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EDUCATION

COLUMBIA COLLEGE CHICAGO (2019, SUMMA CUM LAUDE) B.A. CINEMA ART & SCIENCE GPA 3.97- Superior Academic Achievement.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF THE AIR FORCE (2016) A.S. PUBLIC RELATIONS GPA 3.97- Superior Academic Achievement.

SKILLS

Professional: Proficient in Adobe Suite (Premiere, After Effects, InDesign, Photoshop etc) Sony Vegas, Final Cut, DaVinci. Lighting, sound, stabilizing, coloring, & other video support equipment. Sony, Canon, Arri, Nikon & Blackmagic cameras. Social Media. Night Sky Photography. Entire Microsoft Office suite. Google Docs/Sheets/slides.

CAREER BACKGROUND

VISUAL INFORMATION SPECIALIST

Department of State

March 2022 - March 2025

- Produce, shoot, edit classified and public digital content, including videos and graphics, for distribution across official State Department platforms. Using entire Adobe Suite.

- Earned highest possible "outstanding" rating, given numerous achievement awards.
- Optimized numerous processes and codified into SOPs that increased project efficiency by 250%. Pioneered new video captioning and audio description capabilities, increasing accessibility and complying with relevant laws.

- Expanded responsibilities: Developed multi-million dollar contracts and leading team of contractors, automated public inbox process, served on councils and review boards.

FREELANCE VIDEOGRAPHER Multiple Clients

June 2019 - Present

Collaborate with clients to produce creative content, including corporate, social media, and event videos, ensuring all deliverables met or exceeded expectations.
Direct and film single and multi-day shoots, managed logistics, and provided post-production services such as editing, color grading, and sound design.

Supported documentary filmmakers as a camera assistant and operator, contributing to projects featured on Hulu, Tubi, at Sundance, and other notable festivals

- References available upon request.

gs-1084-07 VISUAL INFORMATION SPECIALIST National Park Service

July 2020 - Oct 2021

Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks (April 2021 - October 2021) Shenandoah National Park (July 2020 - March 2021)

- Produced, researched, filmed, edited large production video campaigns for park social media (live and prerecorded). Created complex motion graphics to aid storytelling, capturing audience attention. Translated dense, scientific information into engaging and readily-accessible language.

- Pioneered new form of video content, recognized need for consistency and implemented in video creation. Merging passion for nature to create successful video series on star gazing, leading to increased nighttime attendance, and leading informal stargazing talks in the park.

- Earned Star Award. Consistent high quality and insight into audience behavior (social media usage etc.) resulted in 715% higher views on my videos compared to those of my peers produced during the same timespan.

- Coordinated multi-day travel, produced videos, designed, fabricated, and maintained final design files for physical and digital museum exhibit and wayside displays.

- Built and maintained website using Squarespace, providing critical information to displaced employees during wildfire evacuations.

Researched photo/document archives and designed new wayside exhibit in Adobe InDesign and Illustrator interpreting data into a captivating story, following National Park Service (NPS) Programmatic Accessibility Guidelines, improving visitor experience.
Hosted 8 "Live" On Camera Broadcasts for weekly Fall updates, providing a well spoken and approachable on camera presence.

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SKILLS (CONT'D)

Personal: Public Affairs and Relations. Tech Savvy on PC and Mac. Voice acting, public speaking, punctual, attention to detail, selfstarter. Worked and traveled in 38+ countries. Martial Arts, Scuba, CPR, Motorcycle certified. Passionate about science/astronomy.

AWARDS

4 Outstand Achievement Awards during time at State Department

STAR Award - Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks

STAR Award -Shenandoah National Park

Three 1st place video awards in Air Mobility Command

Dean's List at Columbia College Chicago

Numerous military awards, medals, accommodations, and video awards

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CAREER BACKGROUND (CONTINUED)

CAMERA OPERATOR & OUTREACH INTERN Kartemguin Films

January 2020 - May 2020

- Shooter and Camera Assistant on in-progress documentaries (including Hulu docs).

- Managed org wide merchandise & DVD sales. Supported in promotional campaigns for films premiering at Sundance and other festivals. Created newsletters using Mailchimp.

MEDIA SERVICES & EVENT HOST City of Des Plaines

June 2019 - June 2020

- Content Creator for videos broadcast on local TV, city displays, and social media.
- Designed promotional and informational graphics for all social platforms.
- Served as key host for citywide concerts, parades, and other community events.

CAMERA TECH & TEACHER'S ASSISTANT

- Managed, maintained, and cleaned cinema cameras. Supported in teaching camera seminars for undergrad students. Fulfilled customer orders and confirmed equipment was operational.

BROADCAST JOURNALIST & SOCIAL MEDIA MANAGER

Air Force Public Affairs December 2011 - December 2017 - Created all forms of digital video including narrative films, documentaries, and PSA's with graphics, actors, and music. From formulation to distribution: produced 100+ videos.

- Packaged media for all social media and news networks increasing audience engagement.

- Non-Commissioned Officer in Air Force, leader of 90+ people, served in hazardous

locations, worked directly with highest ranks in the military and national news.

- Created and broadcasted news and entertainment via anchor desks, live television, streaming, and radio broadcasts to US bases around the world.

ACTOR & 2ND ASSISTANT DIRECTOR Rusty Bucket Kids Club

October 2010 - December 2011

- Guest Star for pilot episode, assisted casting sessions, location scouts, worked with actors and producers for future episodes. 3X Regional Emmy™ Nominated show.

VOLUNTEER

2024- Soup Kitchen volunteering at Our Big Kitchen 2021- Created promotional motion graphics for The Source LGBT+ Center. 2020- Vice President of Columbia's VIVA DOC! documentary film club. 2019- Chicago International Film Fest Theater Ops and "Ask Me" staff. Additional: Founded Incirlik Film Club, coordinate red carpet premiere for film produced. Group Leader at Planetary Society, Booth leader at 2016 March for Science. International humanitarian work.

Conducted video editing training at high schools.