Michael Ip

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Summary of qualifications: Skilled in visual, verbal and written communications; Experienced in small to mid-sized level management; Experienced in high-stress leadership positions; Possesses high level of technical understand with computer software and systems; Experienced in magazine, newspaper and online news production

Freelance Photographer, Barcelona, Spain

June 2015 - Present

* Based out of Spain, worked with global clients photographing editorial, fashion and commercial assignments

Newsweek, New York, NY

Senior Photo Editor

May 2014 - June 2015

- * Researched, procured and edited images for front-of-book, cover, feature and back-of-book sections of weekly glossy news magazine
- * Assisted in production of online special projects and features
- * Assigned, produced, edited and helped design domestic and international news, lifestyle and science & technology photo stories in collaboration with photojournalists and page designers
- * Worked with color and pre-press to ensure consistency and accuracy in printed final product
- * Represented Newsweek and liaised with photo agencies and photographers at conferences and seminars worldwide

Daily Mail, New York, NY

Associate Photo Editor

August 2013 - May 2014

- * Procured and edited images for DailyMail.com, the world's highest trafficked news website
- * Worked with editors and writers to design promotional art for homepage
- * Assisted in assigning and producing work with photographers throughout the United States
- * Conducted research with platforms such as LexisNexis for investigative stories
- * Photographed fashion, news, portraits assignments

ABC News, New York, NY

Online Photo Editor

September 2012 - August 2013

- * Negotiated and procured images for use online at ABCNews.com
- * Conducted research on stories in order to pitch new stories on a weekly basis
- * Worked with a content management system to push images onto the website
- * Edited, sequenced and built galleries and slideshows on a daily basis

Daily News, New York, NY

Weekend Photography Assignment Desk Editor

August 2012 - August 2013

- * Planned, coordinated and directed photography coverage for the photography desk on weekends
- * Hired and guided freelance photographers to successfully complete photography assignments within New York City
- * Negotiated and acquired photography from photo agencies as needed for printed edition of newspaper

Features Photo Editor

October 2011 - August 2012

- * Negotiated licensing and pricing with photo agencies to procure photography for print and web
- * Coordinated with writers and text editors on entertainment, celebrity, gossip, life & style and real estate stories to ensure accurate and timely image fulfillment
- * Responsible for toning and editing photographs for web and print usage
- * Edited through agency and wire feeds to pitch story and gallery ideas
- * Researched stories in order to achieve the most compelling visuals for assigned section

Online News Photo Editor

April - October 2011

- * Planned, coordinated and contracted photography rights usage for print and web usage
- * Edited through sports and news wire feeds to ensure the best photographs were used online

Contract Photojournalist

June 2009 – April 2011, August 2012 – August 2013

* Photographed news, features, sports, portraits and fashion for the New York City based newspaper

Other Work Experiences

United States Army, Fort Drum, NY and Baghdad, Iraq Infantry Company Fire Support Officer

June 2004 - June 2008

- * Attained rank of 1st Lieutenant
- * Managed, trained and prepared 10-soldier Fire Support Team in indirect, fixed-wing and rotary wing fires for combat operations
- * Command and Controlled 130-soldier Company Operations during 15 months of combat in Iraq which helped reduce insurgent activity in area of responsibility
- * Oversaw and managed over \$600,000 worth of civil works and security projects in Iraq which helped lay the groundwork towards re-building a sovereign nation of Iraq

US ARMY - Research, Development, Engineering Command, Fort Monmouth, NJ

Software Engineer

June 2002 – April 2004

- * Using Visual C++, developed user-friendly interface software for unmanned ground sensors; results led to additional funding and project integration with Future Combat Systems.
- * Field tested prototypes of unmanned ground sensors
- * Worked closely with end-users to ensure most favorable user experience

Education

Western Kentucky University

August 2008 - May 2009, August - December 2010

Studied Photojournalism - No degree awarded

United States Army Infantry School

March - May 2005

Officer Candidate School

Lehigh University

August 1998 - May 2002

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science/Engineering

Awards and Recognitions

2015 National Press Photographers Association Best of Photojournalism

- * Magazine Photo Editor of the Year Award of Excellence
- * Best Use of Photography by Magazines First Place (Team award)
- * Magazine Recurring Feature or Series Runner Up (Team award)
- * Magazine Story Opener Award of Excellence (2)

2013 Peabody Awards

* Member of ABC News team awarded for "presciently planned, comprehensive coverage" of Superstorm Sandy.

Relevant Skills

Software

Proficient in Adobe Photoshop, Adobe InDesign, Photomechanic, Capture One, Phocus, Final Cut Pro, various content management systems (Interwoven, ATEX, Polopoly, various propriety CMSs), LexisNexis

Social Media

Experience with Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest and other social media platforms

Hardware

Proficient with Canon, Nikon, Hasselblad, Leica, Phase One camera systems, Profoto and Elinchrom lighting systems, Sekonic handheld meters, Mac and PC computer systems, Iphone and Android mobile phones

Other

Eddie Adams Barnstorm Photojournalism Workshop

Faculty

- * 2015 Team Producer
- * 2014 1130 Club

Professional references available upon request