

Holly Smith

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EDUCATION

2016-2019 **2:1, BMus Music (Hons), City, University of London**

- Modules include Major Project Dissertation, Music Journalism, Sound Recording for Musicians, Performance, Critical Listening, Art and the Transcendent: Wagner, Mahler and Schoenberg, Composition: Instrumental and Vocal, Analysing Music, Orchestral and Instrumental Studies.

Skills gained:

- Excellent written historical, critical and analytical skills
- Planning content and employing research skills required for producing journalistic content
- Experience of the composition process, from developing material, creating scores and parts, to working with musicians in rehearsal
- Ability to think creatively, independently and manage group work among part-time work
- Organisation and time management.

2011-2016 **Beaconhurst School - Academic Scholarship**

- Advanced Higher ABB - Music, History, Drama
 - Scottish Highers AAAAB - English, Drama, Music, History, Art
 - SQA National 5 AAAAABBB inc Maths, Spanish and Biology
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MUSIC EXPERIENCE

- Volunteered in May 2019 helping teach Balinese Gamelan classes to a local primary school group
 - Collaborated with top London based musicians including EXAUDI and Plus-Minus Ensemble
 - Member of City Chamber Choir, Balinese Gamelan, a Greek Vocal Ensemble called Civitas and helped co-found and lead an Indonesian Ensemble
 - Accepted onto two short courses at The Royal Conservatoire of Scotland in Aspiring Conductor and Conducting for Ensembles
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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Sept 2018-Aug 2019 **Keyholder at Sweet Things Bakery**

Management and Responsibility

- Responsible for the opening and closing of the store including cashing up and locking up, stock control, handling deliveries, and making orders.

- Demonstrated effective teamwork skills through managing a small team of people and ensuring food health and safety procedures were being met, supervising the weekly cleaning rota and doing the daily paperwork required
- Liaised with different areas of the business to ensure stock was always made and ready and planned out the day by designating tasks to certain people

Feb 2017-Aug 2018 Barista and Waitress at J+A Cafe and Bar

Event Experience

- Achieved an effective all-rounder role: cash handling and till operation, greeting customers, and preparing hot drinks
- Ensuring the smooth running of events from start to finish including birthday parties, corporate events, and family events.
- Achieved significant improvements in the productivity through up-selling seasonal promotions

Feb 2016-Sept 2017 Front of House Customer Service Assistant at MHOR Group

Customer Service Skills

- Improved the organisation of the restaurant through busy shifts by being attentive and organised with the booking system
- Developed customer service skills by dealing with complaints and issues in an effective manner

May 2015-April 2016 Volunteer at Castle Rednock Horse Farm

Experience working with children of all ages

- Worked with children and adults teaching horse riding lessons and assisting leading a group of customers on a country walk

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

IT Skills: Mac, Excel, Pro Tools, Sibelius, Logic Pro, Audacity, Mixing, Photoshop, Social Media.

Other Skills: Feature writing, Press releases, Editing, Recording, Production, Orchestration and Arranging, Music Theory, Sheet Music Resourcing, Sound Recording, Piano, Organ, Violin, Singing, Drums, Guitar.

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- Previous Organ scholarship at Dunblane Cathedral