

# ANDREW RUGGE

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## Value Profile

Highly effective at delivering technical expertise, graphic design, and innovative editing for all types of photographic assignments. Proficient in rapidly simplifying complex situations, identifying opportunities, creating and implementing customer satisfaction for overall financial success. My personal style is based upon technical knowledge, planning, collaboration, and multi-tasking. Always staying focused and having a vision of optimal finished work to exceed customers' expectations are some of my day-to-day work habits. The benefits of my talents to my company are quality work as well as retaining and growing the customer base.

## Proficiencies

- Photography
- Digital Retouching
- Graphic Design
- Print & Digital Media Creation
- Production of Assignments
- Creating Photographic Records
- Hardware and Software Management
- Computer Networking

## Professional Experience

- Tom Crane Photography – Two Years
- Gellman Images – Five Years
- The Monmouth Journal – Four Years
- The Coast Star Newspaper – Summer Employment
- The Smart Set Online Blog – Summer Employment
- Drexel University Alumni Association – One Term
- The Drexel University Magazine – One Term
- d&m Magazine – One Term

## Employment Details

### **Tom Crane Photography**, Bryn Mawr, PA

Photographer and Digital Retoucher, September 2008 to June 2010

- Consistently ease workload for professional photographer by taking on numerous workplace tasks
- Exceed client expectations through intensive, high-end Photoshop retouching

### **Gellman Images**, Adelphia, NJ

Photographer, Digital Retoucher, and Assistant, May 2005 to June 2010

- Create satisfied clients by capturing the best moments
- Edit photographs to show clients in the best light
- Produce high quality graphic designs for digital and print media, rendering a more well-rounded digital media company
- Ensure a reliable work environment through proficient computer management, including networking and hardware/software management

### **Drexel University Alumni Association**, Philadelphia, PA

Staff Photographer, April 2010 to June 2010

- Create a detailed photographic record for the alumni association to both preserve invaluable history and promote the future of the University

**The Monmouth Journal**, Red Bank, NJ

Staff Photographer, June 2006 to June 2010

- Persistently generate high-end news-based photography, aiding in the production of a trustworthy local newspaper

**The Coast Star**, Manasquan, NJ

Staff Photographer, May to August 2006

- Reliably captured community interest of local events in a two-county region

**The Smart Set**, Philadelphia, PA

Staff Photographer, June to September 2008

- Took on self-appointed assignments to create a unique photo log for a creative online magazine

**Skills Overview**

- Diagnosing
- Retouching
- Creating
- Formatting
- Production
- Modifying

**Skills Detail**

- Able to diagnose and solve even the most complex of computer issues, including Macintosh & Windows systems as well as networking, leading to a more reputable work environment
- Adept at using the Adobe Creative Suite, particularly Adobe Photoshop, to create and modify client projects that greatly exceed expectations
- Substantial understanding of all technical aspects of photography, including 35mm, digital 35mm, medium format, digital medium format, large format, color and black and white, and studio work, enabling the production of assignments that perfectly suits the clients' desires

**Expertise**

- Intro to Photography
- Intermediate Photography
- Studio Photography I, II
- Large Format Photography
- Digital Photography I, II
- Digital Retouching
- Photography & Culture
- Color Photography
- Junior Project in Photography
- Fine Black and White Printing
- Photography and Business
- Advanced Photography
- History of Photography I, II
- History of Contemporary Photography
- Landscape Photography
- Photojournalism
- Senior Thesis I, II, III
- High-Resolution Imacon Scanning

**Awards**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: *Daydream Nation* Contemporary Photography Juried Exhibition, 2010
- Portfolio Award, Drexel University Senior Thesis Show, 2010

**Shows**

- *Daydream Nation* 2010, Philadelphia Photo Arts Center, June 8-August 21, 2010
- *Drexel University Senior Thesis Show*, Drexel University, June 2-June 12, 2010
- *PHOTOcentric* 2010, Garrison Art Center, September 3-September 26, 2010

**Education****Drexel University**, Philadelphia, PA – June 2010

Bachelor of Science in Photography, Minor in Entrepreneurship

Magna cum laude