

To whom it may concern,

I'm a skilled and passionate bartender looking for a job where I can continue to learn and expand my craft. I'm originally from San Francisco, but I've spent the last 3 years in San Diego working in one of the top cocktail bars in the city.

Last summer I decided to broaden my passion and knowledge of wine and enrolled in a WSET (Wine and Spirits Education Trust) Level 2 class, earning my sommelier certificate in December, and I plan on continuing my education here in Chicago this spring. In addition to the WSET I've also completed and passed the BarSmarts online course.

I have a love of fresh ingredients, inventive combinations, and above all, great service. There's nothing better than turning an unsuspecting passerby into a regular, and one of my favorite "party tricks" is figuring out what the perfect drink would be for a someone; when you get it right, everyone wins.

I'm beyond excited to be here in Chicago and I can't wait to become a part of the industry here.

Thank you for your time, and I look forward to hearing from you!

Cheers,

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Experience

Panama 66 (Bartender)
2015- 2018
San Diego, CA

Busy and innovative craft cocktail bar and restaurant specializing in seasonal, local ingredients, house-made drink components, and Southern California/ Baja beers. Voted “Best of San Diego” in multiple categories 3 years in a row. As an employee here we were expected to understand the origins and history of our spirits, the science behind the way they work together, and the culture that permeates through the combination of the two. While here I also held wine tastings for San Diego Museum of Art’s event coordinators, with the task of helping them decide which wines to serve and pair at their various galas and dinners.

The Patio on Goldfinch (Bartender)
2017- 2018
San Diego, CA

Worked here very briefly before making the move to Chicago when my boyfriend’s work relocated us, but it is an establishment worth mentioning. Stellar cocktail menu, massive selection of agave spirits, and an amazing array of wines. I was hired here by my dear friend and former regular, Brandon Curry, a San Diego bar industry staple.

Dr Teeth (Bartender/ Brunch Manager)
2011- 2014
San Francisco, CA

One of the busiest bars in San Francisco, Dr Teeth put the Mission District on the map as the neighborhood to go out in. Great diversity of customer base, and a little different every night. This bar taught me how to handle anyone and how to work at top speed, all while remaining truly happy.

Bimbo’s 365 (Cocktail Waitress)
2011-2013
San Francisco, CA

Bimbo’s is one of the oldest music venues in San Francisco. Owned and operated by the same family since the 1920’s, Bimbo’s was once a regular haunt for Frank Sinatra and Nina Simone. Beyond concerts we also hosted swanky events, such as the Humanitarian Awards, and catered big dinners and celebrations for San Francisco’s elite. Bimbo’s was my first experience in the cocktail world and the beginning of my education. It was here that I learned how to tailor myself to the customer- for instance, the attendants of the law school prom needed different service than the European diplomats.

Expertise:

- * 10 years working with Aloha and other POS systems
- * WSET level 2 certified
- * BarSmarts certified
- * Broad knowledge of cocktails and cocktail components
- * San Francisco State graduate with a degree in Psychology

About me:

Dog lover. Musician. Backpacker. Hiker. Ford Transit “home” builder. Traveler. Lover of good food and good health. Big fan of people.