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Dear Portfolio Show Visitor,

Thank you for taking the time to view my portfolio. I am excited to share my work with you.

I am a passionate storyteller who enjoys working in collaboration with a team. During my time at Portland State, I have gained a strong foundation in filmmaking skills from pre-production to post-production, discovering a passion for screenwriting along the way.

My journey began in childhood when I told stories non-stop all day to anyone who would listen. While still a passionate storyteller, my time at Portland State University's film school has afforded me the instruction to help harness this skill, gaining the practical knowledge and best practices to translate my stories to script and screen. I also discovered the power of collaboration in bringing narratives to life, culminating in my senior year film project, *Tea Leaves*, which I conceptualized, wrote, and brought to life with the combined efforts of a talented crew. This experience brought home the rewards of teamwork as essential to success in the filmmaking process and essential to my enjoyment of the process.

During my junior year of college, I completed a year-long study abroad experience in Madrid, Spain. Immersing myself in a foreign culture, I navigated language barriers and adapted to unfamiliar surroundings with resilience and determination. The experience not only grew my Spanish language proficiency but also fostered a determined and self-starting mindset—an invaluable asset in navigating challenging and fast-paced environments.

Throughout my time at PSU, I've also pushed myself to develop professionally. While interning at Koerner Camera Systems, I got hands-on experience with industry standard equipment, shadowing the rental technicians and assisting with check-ins. Initially, I was out of my comfort zone because this gear was highly specialized. However, I was able to gain confidence in my equipment handling and pushed myself to learn as much as I could over the course of the 10-week internship.

As I come to the end of my degree, I'm excited to use the skills and knowledge I've gained to continue to bring new stories to life.

Thank you for checking out my portfolio, I look forward to working with you in the future.

What can we create?

Sincerely,

Olivia

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