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Dear Portfolio Show Visitor,

I'm here today to offer my services as a filmmaker. I have worked as an editor, gaffer, screenwriter, director, and assistant director on multiple short film productions over the course of my career at Portland State University. Sub-zero temperatures, equipment malfunctions, and last-minute cancellations—I've seen a lot so far, worked through the challenges with confidence, and enjoyed every minute of it.

You are likely here reading this because you can recall your time as an early career filmmaker and you have an interest in supporting the next generation of filmmakers. Fostering ambition and allowing it to grow into something tangible is the ethic of many artists and craftspeople. I want to be in a position like yours someday.

Since I was three years old—and committed *Pirates of the Caribbean* to memory—film has been my calling. Not just film but storytelling. My continued passion for my art is illustrated in the work I've done in the PSU FILM program and I invite you to visit my portfolio website and reach out to learn more about what I have to offer to your next project.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I can't wait to work with you!

Sincerely,

**Ian Russell**