Nikki Abban

Education

Johns Hopkins University - June 2020 - June 2022

 Masters of Science in Education, Secondary English Language Arts, Special Education

University of Pittsburgh - Sep 2011 - April 2015

- Bachelor of Arts in Communications , Film Studies minor
- Study Abroad Florianópolis, Brazil Universidade Do Sul Santa Catarina

Filmmaking

Producer- ATB Productions- Jan 2023 - April 2023 Baltimore, MD

• Handled necessary pre-pro and production logistics: budgeting, hiring, location scouting, and project management for docu-style, corporate, and music videos shoots at a small production house.

Producer - Jade Bryan/Jade Films and Entertainment, LLC - Jan 2023

New York, New York

• Scouted and booked locations, planned production schedules and created call sheets, managed crafty and catering services, tended to crew and talent for one week narrative tv show pilot.

Producer - <u>Uncivilized</u> Independent Documentary- (2019 - 2022) Dominica & USA

• Assisted with narrative formation of film, crowdfunding (totaling \$10,000), social media promotion of feature length doc screened at Brooklyn Film Festival, The Pan African Film Festival, Third Horizon Film Festival and more.

Associate Producer - Catalyst Films - Dec 2016 - Dec. 2017 Brooklyn, New York

• Project management, story research and development for short-for documentary content, social media and website promotion & design, and office administration for Emmy award winning filmmaker, Kristi Jacobson. AP for S1EP1 Webby Nominated docu-series- <u>The Election Effect</u>

Production Assistant - CNN Original Series: This is Life with Lisa Ling (Season 3) - Nov 2015 - Jun. 2016

Brooklyn, New York

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• Research, travel arrangements, transcription, invoice management for CNN Original Series: This is Life with Lisa Ling and development work for other docu-series at production house

About Me

Over the past decade, I have committed my life's work to creating art, supporting artists, national and international community work, and empowering youth through education and creativity. I recognize the impact art, culture, and knowledge have in creating a sustainable and prosperous future for our collective community.

Non Profit & Social Impact Sector

Festival Associate Manager, Community Youth Programming -Sundance Institute - Oct 2023 -Feb 2023

Salt Lake City, UT

• Facilitates and Coordinates the 2024 <u>Sundance Film Festival</u> <u>Student Screening Program</u> and Filmmakers in the Classroom program for 3000+ high school students across the state of Utah by curating a selection of feature-length and short films specific for a youth audience.

Youth Development Specialist- Peace Corps Morocco- Sep 2018 -Sep 2019

Zagora, Morocco

• Created and facilitated (in collaboration with Moroccan community leaders) community development projects including multiple communicative English classes for kids ages 7-18 at the local Dar Chebab (Youth Center) and for girls ages 14- 17 at the local Dar Taliba (Girl's Boarding School) in Bouzeroual, Morocco.

Social Media Intern - Doctors Without Borders/Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) - Jun 2015 - Aug 2015

New York, NY

- Ran social media posts for MSF USA's social media platforms including: Twitter, Tumblr, Facebook, Google+, and Storify.
- Analyzed trends from engagement data and developed monthly social reports.

English & Art Education

English Language Arts Teacher- Urban Teachers - Jun 2020- Jun 2022

Baltimore, MD

- SY21-22: Delivered academically rigorous and thoughtprovoking lessons in response to a variety of diverse and innovative texts to over 120 9th and 11th grade IB students
- SY20-21: Planned and executed engaging, culturally relevant, and academically rigorous virtual lessons for a total of 135 students across three 6th and 7th grade English Language Arts classes at Kipp Ujima

Teaching Assistant - New York Film Academy- company - Jun 2016- Aug 2016

New York, New York

• Assisted film instructor, supported and mentored students with film projects , and operated and monitored equipment – tripods, Panasonic HMC 150 and Canon Mark II camera.

English Literature Substitute Teacher - East Airport International School- Nov 2019 Accra, Ghana

• Designed and executed six lessons focusing on poetic criticism, theater, and critical analysis in AS level (lower 6) students (students ages 16-17) English Literature course.