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education **UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO** · CHICAGO, IL
MFA Visual Arts · Expected Graduation Date: June 2009

RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL OF DESIGN · PROVIDENCE, RI
BFA Photography · June 2006

experience **UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO** · CHICAGO, IL
Course Assistant · Beginning Photo & Photography Workshop · 2008-2009
Printing Technician · DOVA Computer Lab · 2008-2009

FREELANCER · MIAMI, FL · CHICAGO, IL · SAN FRANCISCO, CA
Photographer · *Web Designer* · *Digital Post-production* · *Retoucher* · June 2006- Present

GEORGE LANGE PHOTOGRAPHY [www.langephoto.com] · NEW YORK CITY, NY
Freelance Digital Post-production Assistant · Summer 2006 · *Studio Intern* · Summer 2004

INSTITUTE FOR SHIPBOARD EDUCATION
Photography Editor, Semester at Sea Voyage Photography Book · Fall 2005
Co-Webmaster, Semester at Sea Voyage Official Website · Fall 2005

ROSA AND ROSA PHOTOGRAPHY [www.dougrosa.com] · NEW YORK CITY, NY
Studio Intern · Summer 2004

RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL OF DESIGN · PROVIDENCE, RI
Personal Assistant to Associate Director · Office of Student Life · 2002-2006
Teacher Assistant · Photography, Alternate Process Class · 2005
Teacher Assistant · Pre-College Photography Program · Summer 2003
Teacher Assistant · Continuing Education Child Art Studio Classes · 2001-2003

selected exhibitions **THE SMART MUSEUM** · CHICAGO, IL · *PAPER*, Curated Wall · June- Aug 2008
FOUR WALLS GALLERY · PORTLAND, ME · *Girls! Girls! Girls!* · Jan-Feb 2008
GREAMESTOWN NATIONAL ARTS FESTIVAL · SOUTH AFRICA · June 2007
RED EYE GALLERY · PROVIDENCE, RI · *Entre Tu y Yo* · March 2006
ABC NO RIO GALLERY · NYC · *SPICE*, Tsunami Benefit · February - March 2005
THE CUTTING ROOM · NYC · *Sonnets From An Old Century* · October 2004
WOODS-GERRY GALLERY · PROVIDENCE, RI · *Tri-Annual* · November 2002
WALLFLOWER GALLERY · MIAMI, FL · *Non-Violence Project* · April 2001

volunteer activities **KEISKAMMA TRUST** [www.keiskamma.org] · HAMBURG, SOUTH AFRICA
Freelance Photographer · December 2006 · May-August 2007 · June 2008
Photography Instructor · July 2008

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT · COLOMBO, SRI LANKA · August 2004
Volunteer Teacher · Teacher of English and Art at a community organization which serves underprivileged children living in the slums, and at a local girls' orphanage.

GIRL'S VOICE 2000 · MIAMI SPRINGS, FL · February - May 2000
Created and implemented leadership & community service program to provide young women with the knowledge and courage needed to confront prevalent teen issues.

NON-VIOLENCE PROJECT INC · MIAMI, FL · May 2000 - September 2001
International nonprofit which works to provide positive alternatives to violence. Served as President of the Youth Advisory Board and Personal Assistant to the Executive Director. Also represented The Project as the key presenter at the National Safety Conference and as a speaker at The Mayor's Children Summit in 2000.