NATALIA BURAKOWSKA

CREATIVE AND TECHNICAL APPAREL DESIGNER

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EXPERIENCE

NAADAM CASHMERE - New York, NY - (2015-Present)

Technical Designer, Knitwear and Cut & Sew

- + Worked directly with Creative Director of a sustainable luxury cashmere knitwear startup to design and launch all collections, including wholesale, e-commerce and private label
- + Researched and developed knit swatches on Brother knitting machine
- + Responsible for creating full tech packs for men's and women's knit and cut & sew styles, maintaining factory correspondence during development, inspecting and approving knitdowns, conducting fit sessions and grading garments for production
- + Managed a team in technical design utilizing all Adobe platforms, created libraries of knit and color swatches
- + Created flat sketches, linesheets and lookbook layouts for company-wide use
- + Assisted on all photoshoots and showroom meetings, including presentation sketches and slideshows
- + Responsible for customer service regarding technical fit and production issues
- + Worked with Production Team to ensure all design and marketing calendar deadlines are met

ONE STEP UP - New York, NY - (2013-2015)

Assistant Boyswear Designer, Wovens and Cut & Sew

- + Researched current menswear street and athletic trends and interpreted into inspiration for boy's styles
- + Developed technical sketches and linesheets in Illustrator, and graphic prints and color boards in Photoshop, responsible for print and pattern development
- + Created tech packs in Illustrator/Filemaker Pro and spearheaded more efficient methods of department-wide organization
- + Responsible for daily correspondence with overseas factories and in charge of reviewing all artwork, knitdowns and samples from development through production

CYRUS KNITWEAR - New York, NY - (2013)

Assistant Contemporary Womens Designer, Knitwear

- + Researched and created color stories and inspiration boards, developed sketches and line sheets in Adobe Illustrator/ Photoshop and tech packs in Excel
- + Attended fit sessions and communicated garment alterations and grading to factory

NANETTE LEPORE - New York, NY - (2012)

Freelance Designer

- + Daily communication with domestic sample and production factories, performed quality control and inspection on all samples
- + Assisted in creation of mood boards, draping and design construction, sourced fabric and trims in local markets

CATHERINE MALANDRINO - New York, NY - (2012)

Design Intern

+Assisted in creating hand sketches and hand embroidery on show sample pieces

SENA YANG - New York, NY - (2011)

Design Intern

SKILLS

Design:

+Fashion Illustration

+Inspiration/Mood Boards

+Trend/Market Research

+Patternmaking/Draping/Tailoring

+Fluent in Garment Construction

+Woven/Knit Textile Comprehension

+Hand/Machine Knitting

+Beading/Embroidery

+Flat Sketches

Tech Packs/Spec Sheets

Tech:

+Illustrator

+Photoshop

+Indesign

+Acrobat

+MS Excel

+MS Office

+MS Powerpoint

+Filemaker Pro

EDUCATION

Rhode Island School of Design Bachelor of Fine Arts; Apparel Design. 2012 Providence RI