

GUEST TEACHER

Floral Designerwrite your own title

I am a certified professional floral designer mentored by an AIFD founding member. I have participated and been a finalist in several National Competitions. I have owned my own business in Las Vegas starting at The Tropicana Hotel and built my businesses to the Las Vegas Hilton and Caesar's Palace. I have innovated different buying practices by utilizing national and international auctions when supply was low and demand was high.

Highlights

- Skills Used
- Acquired fresh flowers from growers in both National and International regions
- Chose containers, vases, baskets, props etc. from Trade Markets in Dallas, Atlanta, Los Angeles, and Las Vegas
- Educated myself by studying the Market for current and future trends
- Acquired the skills necessary to compete on both a National and International Auction by the internet which required in depth knowledge of flowers
- Prepared employees by giving instruction and expectations of what was necessary to learn during their probationary period and later guided them to utilize their own skills in order for each to improve method of design
- Instructed employees in all areas necessary to work in a full service florist
- Owner/Operator
- Garden of the Nile Flower Shop at Caesar's Palace - Las Vegas, NV - October 1991 to June 1995
- Responsibilities
- Hired and Terminated Employees
- Acquired all inventory to produce fresh floral arrangements, European gardens, permanent arrangements, containers and gift items
- Kept abreast of current and future trends in floral industry
- Shopped both National and International Flower Auctions to acquire knowledge and best possible pricing necessary
- Interfaced with hotel management and purchasing agents
- Produced all prototypes of floral designs, etc. that designers could copy
- Inspected each design before it was delivered
- Kept personal knowledge of customers private
- Kind and empathetic
- Standardized testing techniques
- Urban public schools background
- Creative lesson planning
- Critical thinker
- Positive and encouraging
- Adept classroom manager

[State Name] Teaching License

Accomplishments

- Impacted the operation in any way necessary to keep all facets of the business running smoothly Excellent Design Talent - Trained by a founding member of AIFD Successfully passed the subjective part of the Floral Exam given by the Louisiana State University Agriculture School with a perfect score Skills Used Negotiated with Hotel Management to acquire square footage and terms of the lease for The Garden of the Nile Flower Shop in Caesar's Palace Designed with approval of Hotel Management the store's layout and hours of operation Acquired fresh flowers from growers in both National and International regions Chose containers, vases, baskets, props etc.
- from Trade Markets in Dallas, Atlanta, Los Angeles, and Las Vegas Educated myself by studying the Market for current and future trends Acquired the skills necessary to compete on both a National and International Auction via the Internet Prepared employees by giving instruction and expectations of what was necessary to learn during their probationary period and later guided them to utilize their own skills in order for each to improve method of design Instructed employees in all areas necessary to work in a full service florist Responsible for all necessary actions, government forms, employment taxes, insurance, state taxes etc.
- Required in every facet of owning and operating a full service florist President Island Wedding Chapel at the Tropicana Hotel - Las Vegas, NV - September 1990 to December 1993 Responsibilities Negotiated the lease of the first ever free standing wedding chapel on a Hotel property Formed a corporation with a board of directors Chose the location, architecture and oversaw the building of the chapel Hired a manager who hired employees and oversaw the day to day operations and was responsible for all licenses, employment taxes, insurance, obligations to the hotel as per lease agreement, the filing of all quarterly forms and the presentation of monthly business to the board of directors Continuously interfaced with hotel department management concerning hotel accommodations for wedding guests, five separate reception areas, catering and all facets of producing a successful wedding experience.
- Accomplishments Pioneered the concept of a free standing chapel on a hotel property that was privately owned The Island Wedding Chapel was the first and the last that followed this concept Skills Used Promoted a respectable venue to host a wedding in 1990 under private ownership Upgraded the smaller wedding choices for couples not choosing to use a grand ballroom in a hotel or some of the seedy type of establishments that Las Vegas became synonymous for during that era Resulted in hotels getting involved in smaller wedding venues which has changed the entire business of weddings from 1990 to the present; unfortunately, none are no longer privately owned Owner/Operator Tropicana Hotel Florist - Las Vegas, NV - April 1986 to December 1993 Responsibilities Hired and Terminated Employees Acquired all inventory to produce fresh floral arrangements, European gardens, permanent arrangements, containers and gift items Kept abreast of current and future trends in floral industry Shopped both National and International Flower Auctions to acquire knowledge and best possible pricing necessary Interfaced with hotel management and purchasing agents Produced all prototypes of floral designs, etc.
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- Impacted the operation in any way necessary to keep all facets of the business running smoothly and successfully Skills Used Successfully negotiated a lease with the Management of the Tropicana Hotel Appointed a small kiosk area which housed a counter and room enough for

a small cooler.

- Negotiated and was successful in doubling the space originally appointed in less than a year Interfaced with the Purchasing Department by providing prototypes of regularly scheduled design placements Interfaced with various department heads for large convention arrangements and decorations, party arrangements and seasonal decorations Designed with approval of Hotel Management the store's layout and hours of operation Chose containers, vases, baskets, props etc.
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- Required in every facet of owning and operating a full service florist Owner/Operator Desert Flower - Las Vegas, NV - January 1988 to June 1993 Responsibilities Promoted and performed excellent Design skills Acquired fresh flowers from growers in both National and International regions to promote a wider variety of flowers at a more favorable price point.
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- Impacted the operation in any way necessary to keep all facets of the business running smoothly and successfully Skills Used Interfaced with the State of Nevada Taxation Department to purchase business at auction as a result of a tax lien Negotiated to lease same space as former tenant to prevent interruption of business Hired and Terminated Employees Acquired all inventory to produce fresh floral arrangements, European gardens, permanent arrangements, containers and gift items Kept abreast of current and future trends in floral industry Acquired the skills necessary to competitively purchase product from the Los Angeles Flower Auction Interfaced with hotel management and purchasing agents Produced all prototypes of floral designs, etc.
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Experience

Guest Teacher

October 2012 to October 2015 Company Name 1/4 City , State Presented all class material and policies accurately and clearly forÂ numerous classes each semester.

Lead Floral Designer

June 2005 to April 2011 Company Name 1/4 City , State

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High School Substitute Teacher

October 2012 to October 2015 Company Name 1/4 City , State

- Interacted with students Presented students with their assignment Assisted in helping with their assignment Responsible to the teacher for the completion of assignments Monitored student behavior Responsible for attendance of students Accomplishments Enjoyed interacting with the students.
- Assisted students with their assignments Individualized both instruction and behavior of assigned students Incorporated subject matter with the present time that students would have a better understanding of the relevancy of the subject matter Listed on the Preferred Teacher's List for several schools Skills Used Utilized strict behavioral rules in order that the students could comprehend their assignment without unnecessary distraction Worked with students and suggested various approaches that students may complete their assignment Vigilant in knowing where students were at any given time Promptly arrived at assigned school Followed all rules and regulations as determined by Clark County School System.

Education

Mixology , 2012 National Bartender's School 1/4 City , State , USA

After my husband's death, I wished to participate in some creative work that was not utilizing flowers as my mediumÂ of design.

I enjoyed and did very well with my study and certification in mixology.

It was fun and as a natural educator, I was able to help younger students and to give them confidence.

I have not pursued a position as I became a full time guest teacher with Clark County School District. I resigned as a guest teacher on 10/10/2015.Â At this time anything is possible.Â I am positive, helpful and love to be involved in the social world.

Advanced Licensed Certified Floral Designer , 1978 Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College 1/4 City , State , USA

I successfully completed the course in suggested time.

I was trained and mentored by an AIFD founding member.

I passed the exam on my first try and was the only student at that time that passed the written exam with a score of 100 percent.

I have had many successful floral businesses.

I pioneered a number of unusual trends.

I negotiated hotel contracts

I interfaced with purchasing departments to secure purchase orders.

I trained many designers that are now employed with hotels.

Bachelor of Arts : Secondary Education , 1971 Southeastern Louisiana University 1/4 City , State , USA

Successfully taught High School English and Social Studies on a full time basis from 1971 thru 1983.

Placed many students into National and Regional Exams

Pleased that many of my students have kept in contact with me.Â Very proud that I was part of their success.

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Skills

instruction, inventory, Market, pricing, purchasing, Teacher, Advanced Floral Designer, Entrepreneur

Additional Information

- Authorized to work in the US for any employer