# William Kleist

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## **Experience Summary:**

- Extensive independent film work
  - wrote original short stories
  - cast, dressed, and directed actors
  - constructed and lit a soundstage
  - shot in adverse conditions, no complaints HVX200A and Canon 7D
  - presented at a film festival
- Extensive work in semi-professional theatre productions
  - designed and supervised implementation of lights in a successful major production
  - hung, built, and worked lights in several successful shows
  - constructed sets of various different designs
  - acted and directed in several successful shows

### Education:

Birmingham-Southern College, Birmingham, AL. BA in Theatre Arts *cum laude*, May 2011 Cumulative GPA: 3.694

#### Honors/Awards/Achievements:

- graduated with Honors and with Distinction in Leadership Studies
- Fine Arts Society award for lighting design of "The Miracle Worker"
- Aloha Accolade for student short film at the Honolulu Film Festival
- founding member of the BSC Independent Film Club
- helped convince the BSC SGA to buy an HVX200A for the aforementioned club

#### **Experience Abroad:**

- studied zoology and embryology at UNIMEP, in Piracicaba, Brazil
- taught English to Brazilians, ages 11 through 28, at System Idiomas, in Piracicaba, Brazil

## Languages:

English, Portuguese, intermediate Spanish, elementary German

I have reliable transport and a current driver's license.