**EDEN SLEZIN** 

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## HIGHLIGHTS: Designer | Entrepreneur | Leader | Adventurer

- Showed at NYFW SS18
- Repeated CFDA and industry recognition
- Established two successful companies
- 10+ years experience in large scale, senior retail management, strategy and merchandising
- USMC leadership training and experience

#### COMPUTER PROFICIENCY

Digital Portfolio: www.EdenSlezin.com

Google.Docs Adobe Illustrator Adobe Photoshop Microsoft Office

### RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

- MINED ON DENIM: Founder and Head Designer | San Francisco, CA | May 2017 Present
  - Sustainable denim menswear label result of thesis collection, developed over 2 years
  - o Production of NYFW SS18 collection produced all production patterns, fabric sourcing, surface treatments and details
- CUTE TANK: Founder and Head Designer | San Francisco, CA | Aug 2011 2017
  - Produced over 5 collections and multiple fashion shows carried in 10 locations in 5 cities across the US, AUS and online
  - o Produced custom products for varied clients including SF AIDS Foundation
  - Oversaw all aspects of design, sourcing, production, marketing, web design and business administration
- AMOUR VERT: Assistant Designer Intern | San Francisco, CA | Aug 2016 May 2017
  - Collaborated on multiple top selling prints for Spring 2017 collection
  - Extensive development tears and sketches utilized in numerous top selling designs
  - Involved in all aspects of design development including inspiration boards, research tears, color stories, print development, fit and pattern development, design sketches, technical flats, lab dips, fabric sourcing and merchandising
  - Worked effectively with production, regularly producing line sheets, cut tickets, tech packs, and mill sheets
  - Full comprehension of sustainably as company focused on natural and organic fabrics and sustainable practices.
- SPORTS BASEMENT: Senior General Manager & Executive Team Member | San Francisco, CA | Nov '06 Present
  - Opened 2 locations and grew one to its current \$15 million a year level with up to 80 team members
  - Proven management and communications with supervision of large management, marketing teams and the entire staff
  - Senior Executive Team member, responsible growth from 3 to 7 stores and our most profitable year ever in 2016
  - Company wide recognition as subject matter expert in visual merchandising, training and leadership
  - Full understanding of business processes associated with retail and running a business including buying, hiring, visual merchandising, sales analytics, P & L's, payroll, expenses, and all store operations.
- DNA GROUP: Design Assistant Intern | San Francisco, CA | Jan 2015 Sept 2015
  - Focus on customer based technical flat translation into workable production patterns and sample making

# **EDUCATIONAL HISTORY**

- GRADUATE: Academy of Art University MFA Fashion Design, GPA 3.6 | Jan 2014 May 2017
  - Emphasis in menswear, denim and sustainability
  - Proficient in all pattern drafting, 3D construction, fitting and tailoring
  - o Proficient in all design presentation concepts including fashion illustration, rendering, technical flats, 3D samples, mood boards
  - o Proficient with industrial sewing machines, overlock machines and the cover stitch machine
  - ACCOMPLISHMENTS
    - Finalist in the 2017 WGSN & ArtsThread Future Creator Award, New York
    - 2017 CFDA & Elaine Gold Launch Pad Finalist & selected for CFDA Fashion Future Graduate Showcase in 2017
    - Selected to show at New York Fashion week September 2017 Graduate show
    - Graduate Fashion Design Student Representative 2015-2016
- UNDERGRADUATE: University of California at Davis BS Botany | 1993 1998

### OTHER EXPERIENCE

- BACKCOUNTRY FOUND: CEO and Lead Guide | San Francisco, CA/Grand Canyon NP, AZ | Apr 2005 Present
  - o Start to finish running business including marketing, web design, payroll, administration, logistics, execution and coordination
- UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS: Captain, Aviation Intelligence Officer | Varied Locations | Jun 1998 Mar 2004