

# MICHAEL VALDES (He/Him/His)

Originally from Long Island, NY, Michael studied Musical Theatre at the American Musical and Dramatic Academy (AMDA). He has experience in leadership, mentoring, social media management, editing, and sales.

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## EXPERIENCE

Sales Floor Leader, francesca's; Huntington Station, NY — 2021-present

- Responsibilities include opening and closing store (as well as completing opening and closing paperwork and counting registers), checking hourly sales to ensure goals are being met, creating work schedules, and overseeing stylists.

Intern, Lox Club (Jewish Dating App) — 2022 (Seasonal)

- Attended company meetings with CEO, hand reviewed applications for potential members of the app, worked and attended company events (including a comedy night and LGBTQ+ happy hour partnered with HEBRO)

Entertainment & Operations at Morey's Piers, RWS Entertainment Group; Wildwood, NJ — 2021 (Seasonal)

- Provided entertainment at Morey's Piers in the form of cabarets and flash mobs; also worked as a cashier and in food and beverage preparation at Jumbo's Grub & Pub.

President of AMDA LA Gender-Sexuality Alliance (GSA), AMDA; Los Angeles, CA — 2021

- Revamped the GSA by building a stronger social media presence, restructured the alliance's leadership team, proposed event ideas, implemented a new one-on-one consultation service through the alliance.

Senior Orientation Leader, AMDA; Los Angeles, CA — 2021

- Oversaw orientation leaders and helped prepare them to help new students transition to college; answered questions and concerns; hosted orientation events; managed and organized orientation forms and important paperwork.

Social Media Manager & Coordinator, International Breast Cancer Surgical Mission (IBCSM) — 2016-present

- Manage email, Instagram, and Facebook Page accounts, manage publicity for and plan fundraisers, coordinate housing for team members in the Dominican Republic

## PHILANTHROPY/VOLUNTEER WORK

IBCSM (partnership with Island Impact Ministries) in Santiago, Dominican Republic: 2014, 2016-2020, 2022

Ambassador for Jewish on Campus: 2021-2022

AMDA LA Peer Mentoring in Los Angeles, CA: 2020-2021 (3 semesters)

Member of AMDA LA Student Liaison Committee in Los Angeles, CA: 2021 (1 semester)

## EDUCATION

American Musical and Dramatic Academy, New York & Los Angeles — BFA Music Theatre, 2018-2021

Half Hollow Hills High School East, Dix Hills, NY — High School Diploma, 2014-2018

## SPECIAL SKILLS

Customer service, well-spoken, sociable, friendly, personable, ambitious, easily reachable, responsible, reliable, Word, Powerpoint, Final Cut Pro & Logic Pro (Beginners), social media management, singer, actor, instrumentalist (piano), English (fluent), Spanish (conversational)