

# Alexia Kaiafas

## FASHION DESIGNER

I am a hardworking and dedicated team player. I am skilled in design, pattern making and garment construction and thrive in an environment where I can both learn and lead.

### *Work Experience*

#### **Assistant, Sample Room**

*Anna Sui*

**August 2023 - Present**

- Beginning in August 2023 as a pattern making intern and beginning my full time work as assistant to the sample room in December of 2023.
- Help manage and delegate tasks for pattern makers, sewers, and cutters.
- Work closely with the designers to create collections, which include ideation, creation, runway, as well as production.
- Participate in pattern making, concept development, and garment construction.
- Assist in the smooth execution of NYFW shows backstage with hair, makeup, crew, and dressing.

#### **Design Intern**

*AEO, Offline for Aerie*

**June 2022- August 2022**

- Developed skills in PLM and created CADs and presentation decks for meetings with cross functional teams.
- Learned how to work closely with technical designers in fittings.
- While working on CADs, I was able to utilize Adobe platforms efficiently and precisely.

#### **Sales Associate**

*Palm Place*

**June 2023 - Present**

- Palm Place is a Lilly Pulitzer signature store, where I have learned the brand and the customer, to better understand what buyers will prefer in future collections.
- Helped with developing the use of social media and content creating to push sales nationwide.

### *Academic Background*

#### **Savannah College of Art and Design**

**September 2020 - June 2023**

- Dedicated to my studies, I achieved my BFA in three years, graduating with honors, and moved to New York shortly after, starting my career at Anna Sui.
- While attending the Savannah College of Art and Design I was a member of the women's soccer team, where I built strong connections with my teammates and coaches leading me into academic and professional collaborations.
- I was also the assistant soccer coach of girls soccer at Savannah Country Day and I was a team mentor for SCAD women's soccer.

### *Philanthropy*

#### **Team in Training - Blood Cancer United**

**January 2022 - Present**

- After my friends' diagnosis in 2022 I began to work with Blood Cancer United Team in Training, a program built for athletes to participate in events while fundraising, raising both money and awareness for the organization.
- I have completed three races, two half marathons, and the TCS New York City Marathon raising nearly 10,000 dollars so far.
- This October I will participate in the Bank of America Chicago Marathon, where I'm hoping to achieve my fundraising goals as well.

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