

# JOSEPH E. MEJIA

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## SKILLS

Customer Service & Communication   Fast-Paced Work Environments   Equipment Handling   Cinematography   Videography  
Team Management & Collaboration   Working with Children & Teens   Photo/Video Editing   Photography   Lighting

## EXPERIENCE

**School Portraits by Adams Photography • Seasonal Portrait Photographer** | Chino, CA | *August – October 2025*

- Worked directly with children and teenagers, creating a friendly and comfortable environment during photo sessions.
- Communicated clearly with students, parents, and school staff to ensure smooth, organized workflows.
- Directed subjects to achieve clear, professional images while keeping sessions on schedule.
- Photographed high-volume school portrait sessions while maintaining consistent quality and efficiency.
- Managed lighting, camera equipment, and setup as well as breakdown for photo sessions.
- Collaborated with team members meeting strict deadlines and achieving productivity goals.

**GradImages • Seasonal Photographer** | Ontario, CA | *April 2025 - June 2025*

- Worked as part of a high-energy team to deliver smooth photography operations during large-scale graduation events.
- Greeted and guided students, ensuring comfort and clear direction during portrait sessions.
- Set up and broke down camera and lighting equipment efficiently while maintaining workflow under time pressure.
- Collaborated with coworkers and event staff to ensure excellent service and a positive experience for clients.

**Freelance Work • Independent Photographer/Videographer/Editor** | Ontario, CA | *December 2024 – April 2025*

- Worked directly with clients to provide tailored photos and videos for Church events, Engagement photos, and individual portraits.
- Communicated with clients to understand their needs and deliver timely services.
- Handled multiple tasks in fast-paced environments, meeting deadlines and quality standards.

**MachZ Productions • Event Videographer/Photographer** | Los Angeles, CA | *January – November 2024*

- Captured live concerts and band performances, enhancing marketing content and attracting more bands to sign with the company.
- Operated camera setups utilizing gimbals and rigs, as well as maintained cameras, microphones, and lighting equipment.

**CSUDH Theatre & Dance Department • Freelance Photographer/Editor** | Carson, CA | *April 2024*

- Set up portrait photography studio equipment such as lights, diffusers, and bounce boards.
- Provided professional portrait photography for performers and behind-the-scenes photos of crew members.
- Enhanced photo quality by color-correcting and editing using Adobe Lightroom, meeting client expectations.

## PROJECTS

**I Decide • Director** | Los Angeles, CA | *October – December 2023*

- Collaborated with rock band 5th ACE to create a music video for their single “I Decide” where we choreographed scenes and crafted a cohesive "anti-establishment" narrative aligning with the song's message.
- Created a shot-list with my cinematographer and directed the band members to give an energetic performance.
- Produced a final video that embodied the band's unique style, strengthening their brand identity and attracting potential fans.

## EDUCATION

**Bachelor of Arts in Film/Television Production**

*Cal State University Dominguez Hills, Carson, CA*

*August 2020 - August 2024*