

# Peter Kirschmann

## Education

**Harvard University, Graduate School of Education** – Cambridge, Massachusetts

**Master of Education** – 2014

Technology, Innovation, and Education

**Macalester College** – Saint Paul, Minnesota

**Bachelor of Arts** – 2007

Media + Cultural Studies, American Studies

## Professional Experience

**Catalyst Program Manager** – April 2016-Present

**The Clubhouse Network | Museum of Science** – Boston, Massachusetts

Manages all aspects of the Catalyst Initiative to disseminate Clubhouse knowledge and practice to informal education settings around the world. This includes providing training and technical assistance to formal and informal educational organizations, building and maintaining partnerships, and supporting existing Clubhouse locations.

**Digital Learning Coordinator** – April 2015-April 2016

**The Field Museum** – Chicago, Illinois

Developed and facilitated digital learning experiences for teens connecting museum collections with and personal exploration. Managed technology and production for the museum's digital learning space and virtual fieldtrip program.

**Adobe Youth Voices Training & Technical Assistance Specialist II** – February 2014-March 2015

**Educational Development Center** – Chicago, Illinois

Supported the day-to-day activities of the first and largest global youth media initiative. Provided resources and training to coordinators and educators in 60+ countries, developed and updated core curriculum materials in the online collection. Supported grantee transition to direct-to-youth program strategy.

**Youth Crew Manager** – September 2009-August 2013

**Science Museum of Minnesota** – Saint Paul, Minnesota

Developed and facilitated youth programs in the Kitty Andersen Youth Science Center. Managed crews of youth staff and related program budget. Taught media production, critical thinking skills, and related science content. Assisted in fundraising and evaluation. Projects included:

- + **Teen Tech Crew:** Developed CREATECH Labs, a model for tinkering and creative technology workshops and winner of a YALSA *Excellence in Library Service to Youth Adults 2012 Program Award*. Led regular professional development for partner librarians in youth development and creative technology skills.
- + **Podcast Crew:** Developed web videos about infectious diseases for nationally touring exhibit.

**Learning Technologies Specialist** – April 2008-August 2013

**Science Museum of Minnesota** – Saint Paul, Minnesota

Supported creative technology education and development in a variety of roles:

- + **Instructor Development and Support:** Supported learning technologies instructors in their teaching practice and class outline development.
- + **Class R&D & Instruction:** Developed and led creative technology classes at the museum and urban public libraries. Classes focused on creative technology, art, design, and engineering for youth and adults.
- + **Exhibit Media Development:** Created instructional, documentary, and stop-motion animation videos for museum exhibits and websites including *Howtosmile.org*, *Engineering Studio*, and *We Move, We Stay*.

**Assistant Youth Programs Coordinator** – September 2007-August 2009

**Saint Paul Neighborhood Network** – Saint Paul, Minnesota

Served as a Community Technology Empowerment Project AmeriCorps member. Facilitated and planned curriculum in a youth media after school program and summer programs including documentary, narrative, and animation.. Assisted in for outreach and visibility for youth programs.

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## Profile

I am a program developer, youth worker and media maker with ten years experience in museums and informal education.

## Technical Skills

- + Adobe Creative Suite
- + Drupal CMS
- + Final Cut Pro
- + Microsoft Office Suite
- + Scratch Programming
- + Stop Motion Animation
- + ToP Facilitation
- + Video Production
- + Wordpress

## References

Available upon request.

## Community Experience

**Learning Resources Developer** – September 2013-May 2014

**MIT Media Lab** – Cambridge, Massachusetts

Developed multimedia resources, including video and animations, for the online Scratch community, part of the Lifelong Kindergarten research group.

**Co-Director** – October 2011-December 2013

**MNKINO** – Minneapolis, MN

Organized and facilitated monthly video community video screening that encourages participants to create videos on a theme. Have received performance grants from several local arts organizations and events. Performs all outreach and coordination tasks including advertising, social media, emceeing, and technology coordination.

**Member** – September 2007-August 2013

**Twin Cities Youth Media Network** – Minneapolis/Saint Paul, MN

Collaborated with other youth media professionals around resource sharing and professional development. Organized the first annual Straight Shot Youth Media Summit, a daylong production and screening event bringing together youth from member organizations.

## Publications & Presentations

**Take it & Make it Big: Growing Partnerships with Libraries & Community Based Organizations**, Article  
Youth Media Reporter – January 2014

**Leveraging Library & Community Partnerships**, Webinar  
Young Adult Library Services Association Teen Tech Week – January 2014

**Youth Engagement Through Media & Technology**, Panel Organizer & Facilitator  
Sprockets Network Conference (Saint Paul, Minnesota) – March 2013

**From Hanging Out to Messing Around: Teen technology in Twin Cities public libraries**, Presentation  
Library Technology Conference (Saint Paul, Minnesota) – March 2013  
MELSA Day of Stem Conference (Saint Paul, Minnesota) – February 2013

**Library, Museum, and Community Collaboration with the Teen Tech Crew**, Poster Presentation  
SCRATCH@MIT: Create Your World (Cambridge, Massachusetts) – July 2012

**My Excellent Vacation Workshop**, Curriculum Workshop  
SCRATCH@MIT: Create Your World (Cambridge, Massachusetts) – July 2012

**Integrating Web 2.0 into Youth Programming**, Article  
Youth Media Reporter – August 2008

## Selected Screenings & Exhibitions

**MinnAnimate III** (Minneapolis, MN) – September 2014  
**Cold Storage Documentary Screening** (Cambridge, MA) – August 2014  
**MinnAnimate II** (Minneapolis, MN) – September 2013  
**Northern Spark Festival** (Minneapolis, MN) – June 2013  
**Eye See No Slant Asian Film Festival** (Minneapolis, MN) – December 2012  
**MinnAnimate** (Minneapolis, MN) – October 2012 & February 2013  
**Northern Spark Festival** (Minneapolis, MN) – June 2012  
**The Soap Factory 10-Second Film Festival** (Minneapolis, MN) – June 2012  
**Bedlam 10-Minute Play Festival** (Minneapolis, MN) – June 2012  
**Art Shanty Projects** (Medicine Lake, MN) – January 2012  
**The Soap Factory 10-Second Film Festival** (Minneapolis, MN) – July 2011  
**Station Identification at Northern Spark Festival** (Minneapolis, MN) – June 2011  
**Sound Unseen Film Festival** (Duluth, MN) – August 2010