

John Klapheke

Portfolio

John Klapheke

Table of Contents

1. Introduction
2. Hobbyist/Commissioned Photography
3. Event Photography
4. Louisville Zoo Collaboration
5. Springhurst Habitat
6. Filmmaking
7. Chartres Cathedral
8. Indiana Jones Vignettes
9. TEDxBellarminoU
10. LEGO Design Internship
11. Wand of Creativity
12. TEDxYouth@Highlands
13. NEXU Agency Experience
14. Contact Information





Introduction:

Hi! I'm a law and business student at the University of Louisville. I consistently chase what I am passionate about and study companies that inspire me.

My hobbies include kayaking, working out, hiking, listening to Boston's 1978 album *Don't Look Back*, and of course, photography.

Let me show you some cool stuff I've worked on.

Hobbyist/Commissioned Photography



Event Photography





I made this collage (entitled "Keeping Conservation in Focus") which was shot as a volunteer for the Louisville Zoo.



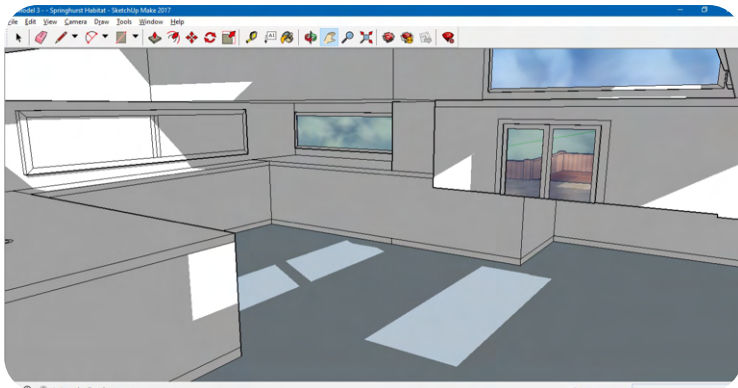
theZOO
L O U I S V I L L E



I became inspired by nature and wildlife photographers' compelling images, so I chose to aid public understanding of conservation through high quality images.



The project contains several hundred images, but these are my some of my favorite shots.



Springhurst Habitat

- 3D model built and rendered in SketchUp
- Incorporates modern styles with classic materials
- Energy efficient and ergonomic
- Features a pool, backup generator, solar panels, and garage

Filmmaking

I've fully embraced the versatile power of the cellphone as a camera. Aided occasionally by a miniature drone and a camera stabilizer, I've learned what tasks go into a film, from director and producer to editing and filming.

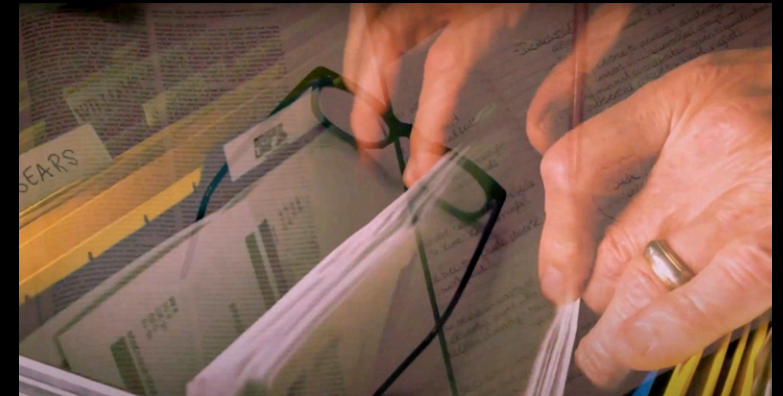
Here are three linked videos which showcase my various filmmaking experiences.



I co-filmed in the *Those Who Do* podcast with two of my friends as seen in [this episode](#).



In this individual film, I show what life in [Denmark: 5 MONTHS IN 3 MINUTES](#) looks like outside of LEGO during my internship.



My longest and most ambitious project, this co-produced documentary focuses on true crime in [True Crime Illuminated](#).

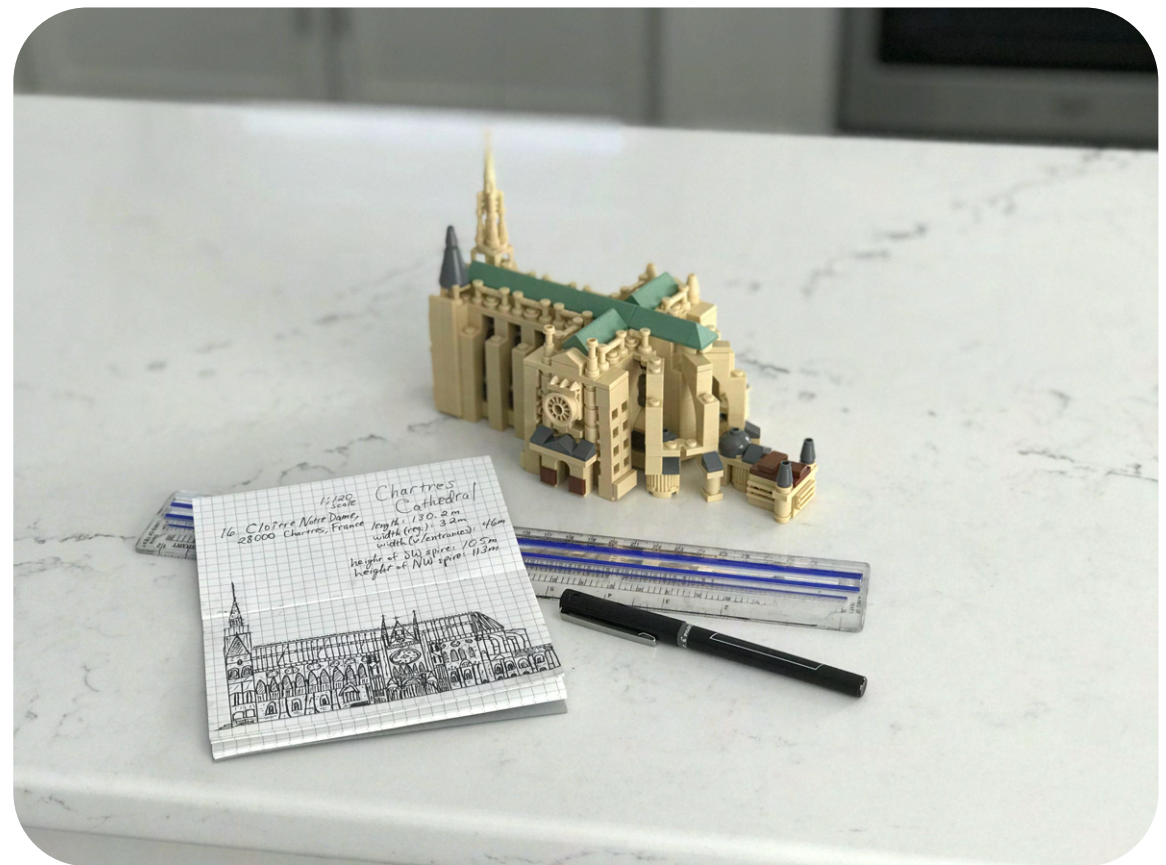
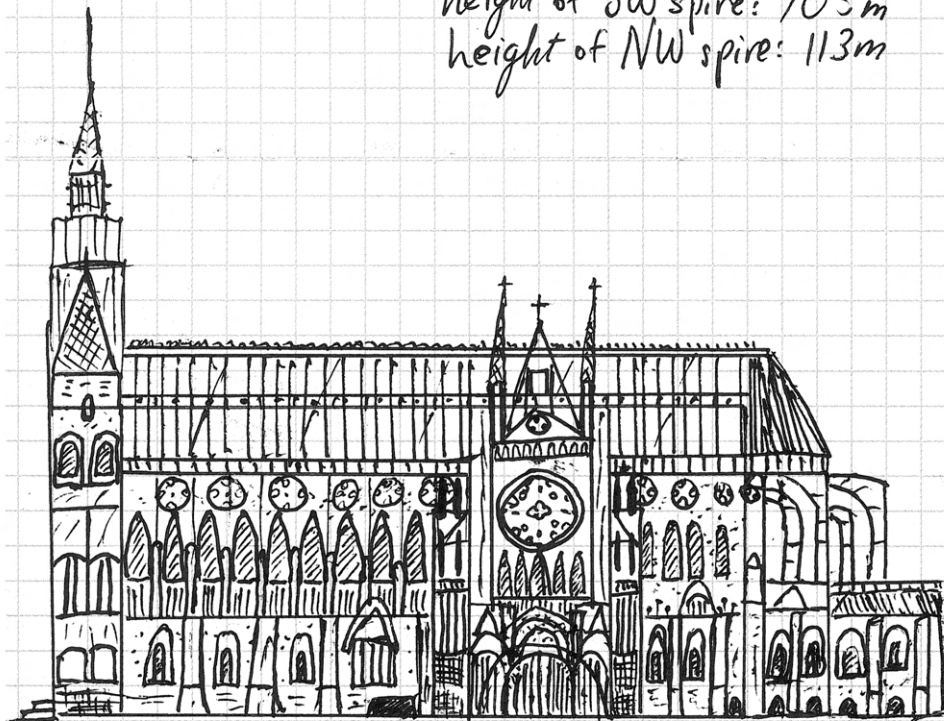
1:120
scale

Chartres
Cathedral

16 Cloître Notre Dame,
28000 Chartres, France

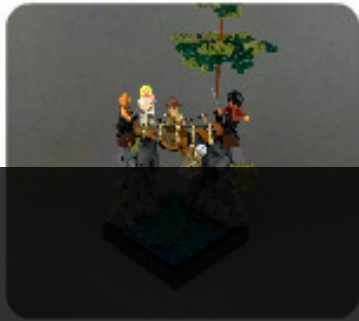
length: 130.2 m
width (reg.): 32 m
width (w/entrances): 46 m

height of SW spire: 105 m
height of NW spire: 113 m



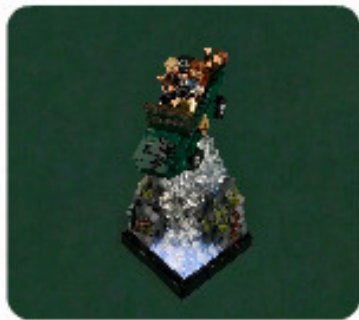
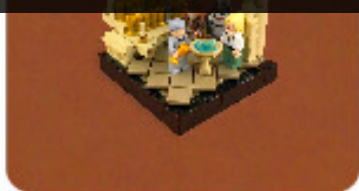
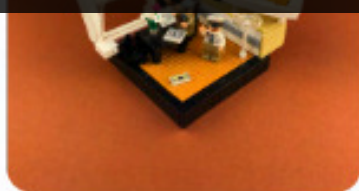
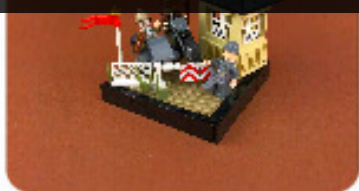
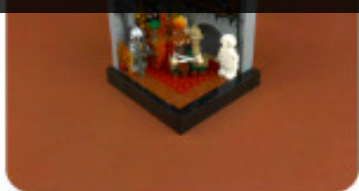
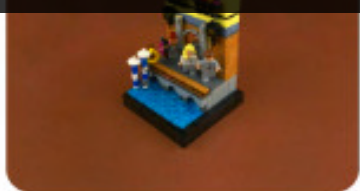
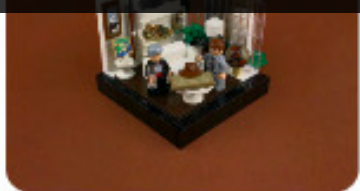
Chartres Cathedral

The sheer grandeur of cathedrals is awe-inspiring. Capturing this essence in LEGO bricks proved challenging given the 1:120 scale of this model. While designing it, I focused on intentional part usage and structural integrity so that the cathedral could be picked up and examined.



LEGO INDIANA JONES VIGNETTE SERIES

Indiana Jones will always remain my favorite LEGO theme. Over a period of two months, I constructed 24 individual vignettes on a 12x12 stud base. The goal: to incorporate as many movie-accurate details into each creation as possible. They've been featured on YouTube videos, in online articles, and even on Kentucky's WDRB News.





TEDxBellarminoU

Since February 2018, I have had the pleasure of working with the TEDxBellarminoU Core Team. Our dedicated core team ensures a high level of production in TEDx talks hosted by Bellarmine University.

I've worked as front-of-house, liaison with speakers, media assistant, protocol advisor, stagehand, and photographer.

Check out what we're up to [here](#).

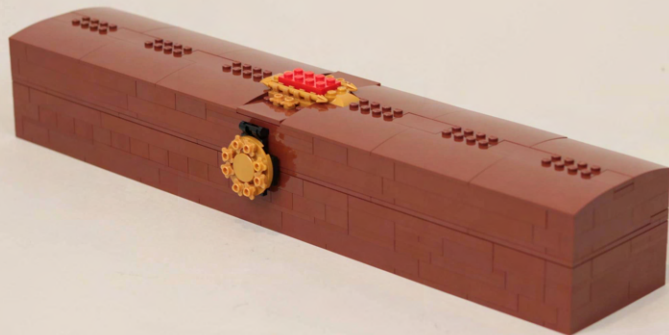


The LEGO Design Internship

I have always enjoyed building with LEGO bricks. In high school, my dream was to one day go to work for the LEGO Group as a product designer.

This dream would be fulfilled from August – December 2018 as I had the honor of working in Billund, Denmark alongside Creator Expert designers whom I had admired since childhood.

Throughout my time in Denmark, I worked on product development, attended regular design board meetings, and assisted in many other internal affairs. Working full-time and being a college student gave me a taste of what an authentic work-world is like, and I thoroughly enjoyed it.

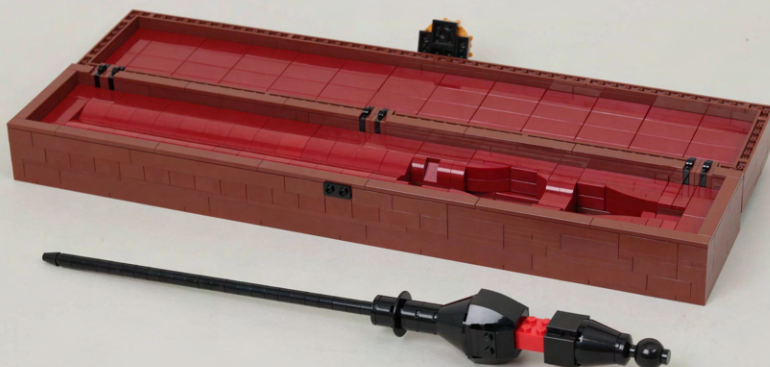


As I had to sign a non-disclosure agreement for my internship in Denmark, there are few projects I can talk about.



One exception is this “Wand of Creativity,” built as a birthday present for a LEGO executive. This model was intentionally co-designed and co-built with my brick-mate, Mike Psiaki, a ‘design master’ at the LEGO Group.

The wand was intentionally designed to center around a red 2x4 LEGO brick, indicative of the LEGO Group’s humble beginnings. The brick is at the center of the wand to symbolize the responsibility the executive bears while remaining true to the LEGO Group’s core values of playing well and promoting creativity.



TEDxYouth@Highlands

In January 2020, I gave a TEDx talk. Bellarmine University hosted TEDxYouth@Highlands, a TEDx event focused on the theme of “inspiration.”

I talked about the inspiring experience of working for the LEGO Group during my design internship with the Creator Expert team in Denmark. You can view the talk [here](#).





Dive into fun with
our summer
camps!



“

Getting to come to Kids Cancer Alliance's camp is the absolutely only good thing about having cancer.

-Cody, 2011 graduating camper

”

During my Spring 2021 semester of undergrad, I participated in Bellarmine University's NEXU project, which helps local non-profits and businesses with promotional content.

I was assigned Kids Cancer Alliance, a local NPO which helps kids with cancer live happier lives through summer camps and other fun activities.

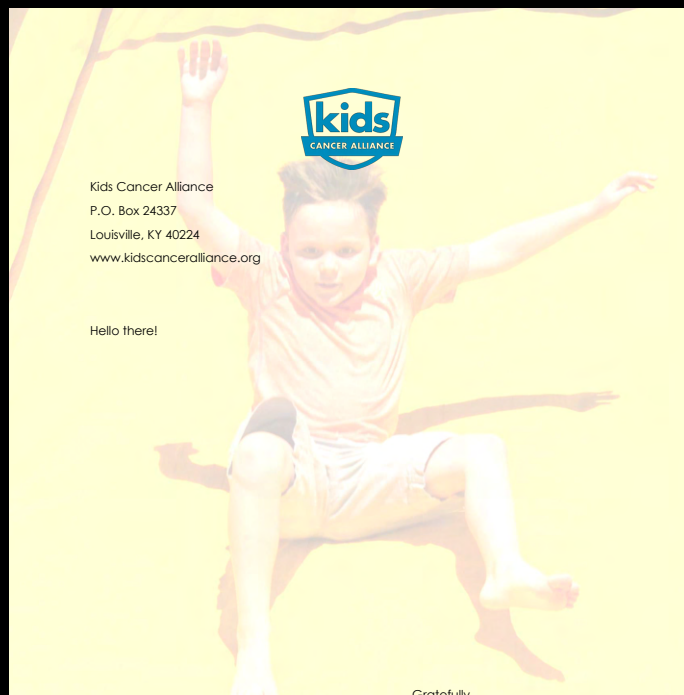
These are some of the digital materials I made for both promotional and internal uses.

“

Knowing there are caring individuals that give us activities to look forward to and a bit of normalcy shows us that we are not fighting cancer alone.

- Camper Mom

”



Kids Cancer Alliance
P.O. Box 24337
Louisville, KY 40224
www.kidscanceralliance.org


Hello there!

Gratefully

John Klapheke

Law & Business Student | Photographer | TEDx Speaker

 jpklapheke@gmail.com

 (502) 930-7515

 [linkedin.com/in/john-klapheke/](https://www.linkedin.com/in/john-klapheke/)

 [john_klapheke_photo](https://www.instagram.com/john_klapheke_photo)

