Dustin Amore

Craft Cocktail Bartender

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I'm Dustin Amore, a craft cocktail bartender and beverage curator. I strive to be at the forefront of my craft and am constantly reading, experimenting and competing in cocktail competitions to stay at the front of the pack. I currently work for Conspiracy Middletown and offer private bar consultation services. I'm always looking for opportunities to grow and learn.

Authorized to work in the US for any employer

Work Experience

Head Bartender

Highland Brass Co. - Waterbury, CT September 2019 to March 2020

Launched multiple adept cocktail menus. Utilized ingredients and techniques that are on the forefront of the craft cocktail world. Created brand new customer base after bar was purchased by new owners. Created food menu, beer selection and all cocktail menus. Responsible for all management except paying bills.

Bartender

High George - New Haven, CT May 2019 to September 2019

Bartender in a high volume fast paced craft cocktail program. Worked under Tim Cabral and Michela Zurstadt, two well known pioneers in CT's bar community. Helped with menu item preparation and menu streamlining.

Beverage Curator

The Cook and The Bear - West Hartford, CT October 2018 to May 2019

This position started as bartender. It has further pushed me into the craft of making classic cocktails and creating new menu items. The development of housemade ingredients, syrups, tinctures, garnishes and researching future menu items are all included in my day to day work. When we closed we were very profitable and I had released two menus. Responsible for inventory management, hiring, training, menu development and event coordination.

Bartender / Social Media & Marketing Manager

The Press - Hartford, CT August 2018 to October 2018

As Bartender I took an important role in creating specialty cocktails, garnishes, syrups, tinctures and mixers. Consistency, speed and precision are traits I refined during this employment period. I was also promoted to Social Media and Marketing Manager. I managed all Social Media accounts creating new business through creative posts and virtual interaction. By getting to know the audience I was able to

increase followship on all platforms. Event Planning and maintaining a calendar of those events was also part of my job. By managing the calendar I assisted the management team in proper planning and staffing.

General Manager (GM)

75 Center - Southington, CT September 2017 to May 2018

Providing oversight for operations of restaurant and its employees. Manage inventory of food and alcohol. To educate and provide access to safe service alcohol training. Constructing and maintaining schedules to provide gap-less coverage of shifts. Interacting with guests to provide a comfortable casual experience and help establish recurrent guests.

Bartender/Server

Shamrock Bar & Grill - Waterbury, CT April 2017 to August 2017

Provided guests with exceptional dining and bar service while also providing a fun casual atmosphere. specializing in customer service and proper execution of steps of service.

Assistant General Manager

Chicago Sam's (sportsbar) - Enfield, CT August 2016 to April 2017

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Bartender/Manager

Wood-n-Tap - Hartford, CT August 2015 to August 2016

Started off as a day time server. Quickly established better scheduled positions and eventually proved to be an effective bartender and supervisor. Instructed alcohol service to new bartenders and new employees. Maintained high levels of service under the pressure of a busy bar. Established a recurrent crowd quickly.

Assistant Manager/ program instructor

Residential Management Services, Inc. - West Hartford, CT September 2010 to December 2013

To oversee the proper administration of Team developed programs designed to enrich the lives of the consumer. Scheduling of medical appointments for consumers. maintaining proper documentation for safe administration of medication. Managed finances for individuals. Providing opportunities for individuals to increase quality of life.

Education

not completed in general studies

Eastern Connecticut State University - Willimantic, CT September 2008 to September 2009

High school

Windham High School

Skills

- Customer Service (10+ years)
- Training (6 years)
- Leadership Training (5 years)
- Ordering (2 years)
- Inventory Management (4 years)
- P&L (2 years)
- Marketing (1 year)
- Social Media Marketing (1 year)
- Bartending (10+ years)
- Mixologist (2 years)
- Restaurant Server (10+ years)
- Serving Experience

Military Service

Branch: Army National Guard

Service Country: United States

Rank: E4

September 2014 to Present

15h helicopter pneumatic and hydraulic technician for the CT Army National Guard.

Maintaining and repairing CH-47 ,UH-60 and HH-60 aircraft as well as servicing aviation ground service equipment.

Commendations:

Army achievement medal

Aviation badge

Certifications and Licenses

TIPS Certified

ASIST

Suicide first aid training. Work force suicide prevention training. Crisis management

Additional Information

I have worked for approximately 10 years now in customer service based industries. I take pride in exceeding guest expectations. I have cocktail crafting experience and some menu engineering experience. I have management experience in residential programs for developmentally disabled adults as well.