



# MICHAEL ANDERSON

## Lead Leather Craft Instructor

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### SUMMARY

Distinguished Leather Craft Instructor with over a decade of experience in the artisanal leather industry. Expertise encompasses both traditional and contemporary techniques, focusing on skill development and innovative design. Renowned for fostering a dynamic learning environment that encourages creativity and craftsmanship among students. Demonstrated ability to adapt teaching methodologies to diverse learning styles, ensuring comprehensive skill acquisition.

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### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### Lead Leather Craft Instructor Artisan Academy

Jan 2023 - Present

- Developed and implemented a comprehensive leathercraft curriculum.
- Conducted workshops focusing on advanced tooling and dyeing techniques.
- Mentored students in individual projects, fostering personal style and creativity.
- Organized annual exhibitions showcasing student work and promoting local artisans.
- Collaborated with industry professionals to enhance course content and relevance.
- Evaluated student progress and provided constructive feedback for improvement.

#### Leather Craft Specialist Creative Leatherworks

Jan 2020 - Dec 2022

- Designed and executed bespoke leather goods for clientele.
  - Utilized advanced techniques in leather manipulation and finishing.
  - Conducted training sessions for new employees on best practices.
  - Maintained quality control standards to ensure product excellence.
  - Participated in trade shows to represent the company and expand market reach.
  - Developed customer relationships leading to repeat business and referrals.
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### EDUCATION

#### Bachelor of Fine Arts in Leather Design, University of Arts, 2009

Sep 2019 - Oct 2020

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### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Technical Skills:** curriculum development, student mentorship, leather tooling, quality control, workshop facilitation, community outreach
- **Awards/Activities:** Increased student enrollment by 30% through innovative marketing strategies.
- **Awards/Activities:** Received the 'Outstanding Educator Award' from the Leathercraft Association.
- **Awards/Activities:** Featured in 'Craftsman Quarterly' for contributions to leather arts education.
- **Languages:** English, Spanish, French