

MICHAEL ANDERSON

Senior Leather Tooling Artisan

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Highly skilled Leather Tooling Artisan with over a decade of experience in the artisanal leathercraft sector. Expertise encompasses the meticulous design, crafting, and finishing of bespoke leather goods, showcasing a profound understanding of traditional and modern tooling techniques. Demonstrated ability to merge creativity with technical precision, resulting in unique, high-quality products that meet the exacting standards of discerning clientele.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior Leather Tooling Artisan | Artisan Leather Co.

Jan 2022 – Present

- Designed and executed intricate tooling patterns for a range of luxury leather goods.
- Utilized advanced techniques such as blind tooling and hand-stitching to enhance product quality.
- Managed a team of junior artisans, providing mentorship and training in traditional leathercraft methods.
- Collaborated with the design team to develop seasonal collections, integrating market trends.
- Maintained quality control standards, ensuring each piece met brand specifications before delivery.
- Implemented sustainable practices by sourcing eco-friendly materials and minimizing waste.

Leather Craft Specialist | Heritage Leatherworks

Jul 2019 – Dec 2021

- Produced custom leather products, focusing on bespoke orders for high-end clientele.
- Conducted workshops to educate customers on leather care and maintenance.
- Developed and maintained supplier relationships to ensure high-quality material sourcing.
- Executed precise cutting and sewing techniques to achieve superior craftsmanship.
- Analyzed market trends to inform product development and expansion strategies.
- Documented production processes and maintained inventory for efficient workflow management.

SKILLS

Leathercraft

Tooling Techniques

Project Management

Team Leadership

Sustainability Practices

Customer Engagement

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Leather Design

2009

University of Arts

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recipient of the Artisan Excellence Award for outstanding craftsmanship in 2021.
- Increased production efficiency by 30% through the implementation of new processes.
- Successfully launched a limited-edition collection that sold out within weeks.

LANGUAGES

English

Spanish

French