Chance Manzler

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Brooklyn based apparel designer with 8+ years experience who is passionate about bringing concept design into reality. Ultimately to design with purpose, create connection, and to empower the future. Fashion apparel design resides as Chance's primary medium for creative expression. His goals include crafting thought provoking apparel with innovative fabrics, offering comfort and protection through elevated design.

Skills and Proficiencies

Digital | PLM, Browzewear, Adobe Suites, Microsoft Office, Generation Digital, Raspberry ai

Physical | Product planning, trend research, fabric/trim development, technical flat design, pattern-making, garment creation, fashion sketching, brewing espresso, baking bread, and maintaining a positive mental attitude

Experiences

Rag & Bone | Menswear Designer, Knits | NYC, NY | Mar. 2026 – Oct. 2026
- Identify white space within the market to establish new key programs with innovation through fit, fabric, and storytelling.
- Collaborate with the design team to Illustrate full fashion sketches for presentation
- Provide feedback to product vendors with regards to all development and any product deviations
- Maintain creativity by remaining judgment free through exploring all curiosities

J Crew | Associate Mens C&S Knits Designer for Factory/Off-price | NYC, NY | Mar. 2024 – Mar. 2026
- Complete ownership of the C&S Knits category.
- Strategize accordingly to the calendar to ensure all assets/samples/designs are ready for Finalization
- Engineer and elevate designs to provide the highest value at the lowest cost

Calvin Klein | Associate Mens Sportswear Designer | NYC, NY | Mar. 2022 – Aug. 2023
- Expanded ownership of concept and product development for sportswear, fashion, core essentials, and athleisure
- Sketch and design elevated fashion product with a myriad of inspiration and tears to often present to Willy Chavarria
- Attend and lead weekly meetings with cross functional partners to discuss development progress and deadlines
- Plan and collaborate with all design teams to create a unified vision across all seasonal developments
- Meet with vendors and assess new seasonal fabrics, trims, innovations to implement to new product

Calvin Klein | Assistant Menswear Designer | NYC, NY | Mar. 2020 – Mar. 2022
- Collaborate across all teams in order to develop cut and sewn, woven, and outerwear from concept to market
- Analyze the market and create trend packages from major competitors to present to omni-team counterparts
- Build BOM's and complete tech packs with technical flat sketches and construction callouts
- Attend fittings and place comments based on fit and construction to the overseas team

Greg Norman Golf Collection for Macy's | Assistant Menswear Designer | NYC, NY | Aug. 2018 – Feb. 2020
- Develop licensed product from concept to production.
- Build trend packages and present to leadership for alignment
- Finalize color and SMS details

Previous Experiences

Ideology Activewear for Macy's | Assistant Menswear Designer | Mar. 2019 – Feb. 2020
Under Armour | Men's Outdoor Performance Design Co-Op | Sept. - Dec. 2017
Spyder Active Sports | Men's / Women's Outerwear Design Co-Op | Jan. - Apr. 2017
Land's End | Men's Outerwear Design Co-Op | May - Aug. 2016
Land's End | Women's Outerwear Design Co-Op | Sept. - Dec. 2015

Education and Achievements

BS in Fashion Design | DAAP, University of Cincinnati | 2012 - 2018
- Under Armour "Future Show" Design Competition Apparel Winner (2018)
- Menswear Designer of the Year (University of Cincinnati, 2018)
- Dean's List (2013 - 2018)
- College of Design Student Senator