Chandler Bearden

BARBER | CLIENT EXPERIENCE | SANITATION & COMPLIANCE

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Barber student at Denmark College with hands-on practical training and community barber experience, backed by a strong record in client service, consultation, sanitation, and team leadership. Brings additional experience in sterile tool handling, aftercare education, confidential client support, and creating welcoming community spaces. Building The Bearden Standard, a future grooming and wellness brand.

BARBERING & TRAINING

Barber Student | Denmark College | Chicago, IL | 2026–Present

- Enrolled in the 1,500-hour barber program; 461 hours completed as of October 2026.
- Practical training in haircutting, clipper and shear work, shaving, client consultation, sanitation, and infection control.
- Illinois barber license expected April 2027.

Community Barber | CODE Day Chicago Eagle | Chicago, IL | 2026–Present

- Provide barber services in a community event setting, adapting to a busy, public-facing environment.

Founder & Brand Developer | The Bearden Standard | Chicago, IL | Pre-launch

- Developing a premium grooming and wellness brand, including its identity, service vision, and client experience.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant Manager | Devil Dawgs | Chicago, IL | 2026–Present

- Deliver responsive customer service in a fast-paced hospitality setting.
- Support staff supervision, inventory, daily accounting, and smooth shift operations.
- Maintain workplace safety and OSHA/EPA compliance.

Owner & Designer | A Bearden Project | Stone Mountain, GA | 2017–2025

- Designed, tested, and manufactured consumer products while managing day-to-day business operations.
- Led customer communications, marketing, website maintenance, inventory, accounting, and compliance.
- Built a consistent brand and client experience across sales and service channels.

Production Director & Performer | Liquid Sky | Atlanta, GA | 2011–2015

- Directed productions and choreographed acts; performed double-static trapeze, stilt walking, and ringmaster duties.

Fire Performer & Safety/First Responder | Circus Combustus | Atlanta, GA | 2011–2015

- Performed fire breathing, fire eating, and fire spinning; supported performance safety and served as a first responder.

Prevention Specialist | Positive Impact | Atlanta, GA | 2010–2015

- Provided HIV testing, counseling, health education, and linkage-to-care support.
- Coordinated community outreach and volunteers; developed education materials and followed organizational policies and procedures.
- Built trust with clients through clear communication, confidentiality, and respectful service.

Customer Service Manager | Wildcat USA | Atlanta, GA | 2009–2010

- Managed customer orders, inventory, invoicing, shipping, and database records.

Client Services | Virtue & Vice | Atlanta, GA | 2008–2010

- Consulted with clients, explained procedures and aftercare, and handled sensitive client needs with discretion.
- Followed universal precautions and PPE procedures; prepared clients, maintained aseptic practices, and sterilized and cared for tools.
- Supported retail sales and cash handling.

Shift Manager | Starbucks | Atlanta, GA | 2007–2009

- Supervised and trained staff, coordinated supply ordering and inventory, and maintained service and cash-handling standards.

EDUCATION

Denmark College | Barber Program | Chicago, IL | 2026–Present
Art Institute of Atlanta | Multimedia Design | 1998–2000
Georgia Perimeter College | Core Curriculum | 1997–1998

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Volunteer | Anti-Cruelty Society | Chicago, IL | 2026

- Assisted with basic animal care and adoption support.

Volunteer | Center on Halsted | Chicago, IL | 2024–2025

- Assisted with food bank operations and community events.

Director | Leather Heart Foundation | Atlanta, GA | 2011

- Updated organizational policies, procedures, and bylaws.
- Reviewed grant requests and supported funding allocations for people facing medical-related financial crises.

Promoter & Event Planner | Atlanta Pride | Atlanta, GA | 2010

- Planned quarterly public events and helped provide a safe gathering space for community members.

Chair & Co-Chair, Entertainment Committee | Hotlanta Roundup | Atlanta, GA | 2007–2009

- Produced entertainment for fundraising events and a conference; served as entertainer liaison and technical advisor, operated sound and lighting, and collaborated on donor outreach.

Volunteer | Atlanta Meth Task Force | Atlanta, GA | 2008–2010

- Shared educational materials and firsthand experience at community events, bars, and cafes.

Volunteer | Kashi Atlanta Street Meals | Atlanta, GA | 2007–2010

- Assembled and delivered meals to people in need.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

CODE Day Chicago Eagle | Community Barber | 2026–2027
Iowa Leather | Judge | 2016
International Mister Leather | Judge | 2013
Mister International Rubber | Judge | 2012
Social Health LGBT Forum | Emory College | 2012
National Youth Leadership Forum | Emory College | Panel Speaker | 2012
Human Sexuality and Psychology | Georgia State College | Panel Speaker | 2012
Leadership Conference | AID Atlanta | Panel Speaker | 2011
Human Sexuality and Psychology | Georgia State College | Panel Speaker | 2011
Mr Atlanta Eagle | Judge | 2011
Mr Atlanta Eagle | Titleholder | 2010

CERTIFICATIONS & TRAINING

Illinois barber license | Expected April 2027 (not yet issued)
Phlebotomy | National Healthcare Association | 2012–2016
Notary Public | State of Georgia | 2014–2018
First Aid/CPR Instructor | American Heart Association | 2014–2018
First Aid/CPR | American Heart Association | 2011–2014
Blood Borne Pathogens | Medic First Aid International | 2010–2015
HIV Counseling and Testing | Georgia Department of Community Health | 2010
Community PROMISE Outreach | CDC | 2010