

Sepehr Nasihatgar

PHOTOGRAPHER & VISUAL CONTENT CREATOR

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Photo Technician

2026 – Present

Oscar's Photo Lab · San Francisco

- Hand-develop color and black-and-white film and run the full darkroom chemistry process at one of the Bay Area's oldest photo labs.
- Operate professional commercial printers and quality-control every photo, negative, and print to a professional standard.

Social Media Content Creator

2025 – Present

Iranian Studies, Stanford University · Stanford

- Produce and edit explainer videos, photo edits, and flyers that grow engagement, aligned with Stanford's brand standards.
- Own the full production pipeline across Premiere Pro, Photoshop, and Audition.

Photographer & Sales Associate

2025 – Present

California Academy of Sciences (Showtime Pictures) · San Francisco

- Capture well-lit visitor portraits quickly in a high-traffic museum and composite them onto AI-generated backgrounds.
- Build instant rapport with guests to convert photo sessions into on-site sales.

Photographer

2024 – 2025

Ashnow Film Production · Palo Alto

- Shot product, advertising, behind-the-scenes, and documentary stills for a studio producing series and films, with full post-production editing.

Assistant to the Art Director

2023

National Visual Arts Festival · Tehran

- Supported curatorial and executive operations for a national festival (32nd edition) and advised participating artists on their creative direction.

Photography Instructor

2017 – 2023

Arman College · Soroush Educational Center · Tehran

- Taught Digital Photography and History of Photography to hundreds of students over six years across two institutions.

Photographer & Collage Artist

2014 – 2023

Freelance · Tehran

- Exhibited photography, documentary, collage, and conceptual work across 12 exhibitions; served newspapers and commercial clients.

EDUCATION

B.A. in Photography

Advertising concentration · Univ. of Applied Science & Technology, Tehran, Iran
2020 · with distinction

A.A. in Photojournalism

Univ. of Applied Science & Technology, Tehran, Iran
2018

ABOUT

Photographer and visual content creator with 10+ years of experience spanning editorial, documentary, commercial, and fine-art work. Proficient across digital and film systems, studio lighting, and the full Adobe Creative Suite, with a growing command of AI-assisted production tools. Combines technical precision with a fast, deadline-driven turnaround and adapts easily across editorial, commercial, and fine-art work.

CAPABILITIES

PHOTOGRAPHY

Digital & film · DSLR & mirrorless camera systems · studio & location lighting · darkroom & printing

SOFTWARE

Photoshop · Lightroom · Audition
Premiere Pro · WordPress
Elementor · Google Workspace

ALSO

explainer videos · social media content · AI-assisted imaging
video editing · exhibition coordination

AWARDS & EXHIBITIONS

01 Forsat Exhibition

Iranian Artists' Forum, Tehran (2019)

02 21st & 23rd Visual Arts Festival

Participant, Sanandaj (2014 & 2016)

03 Alefma Photography Exhibition

Organizer, Ardabil (2015) & Rasht (2014)

04 Ashur Photo Festival

Winner, Rasht (2014)

+ 7 more photography & visual-arts exhibitions

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