

# mason pitchel

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References Available Upon Request

## work and experience

### Director of Routesetting

Ground Up Climbing Centre  
2024 - Present

Managed a team responsible for setting routes and boulders in a commercial setting for all ability levels and body types. Setting included both lead and bouldering. Duties outside of setting included hiring, hold ordering, training junior setters, budgeting, and facility maintenance.

### Routesetter

Responsible for setting routes and boulders in a commercial setting for all ability levels and body types. Setting included both lead setting and boulder setting. Duties included facility maintenance

Ground Up Climbing Center, Hive Climbing, Rock Spot Climbing, The Crag  
2021 - 2024

### Head coach, Teacher

The Climbing Academy  
2020 - 2021

Responsible for designing and implementing the field based climbing program at an international traveling highschool. Taught standard curriculum Spanish II and Environmental Science. Relevant duties include staff management, project management, delegation, community relations.

### Manager, Head Routesetter

Quest University Canada  
2016 - 2019

Organized staff and coordinated the routesetting program, at a student built rock climbing facility on the Quest University Campus in Squamish, BC.

### Junior Geologist

Serac Exploration, Etruscus Resources, Commander Resources  
2021 - Present

The other half of Mason's career. Based in North-Western British Columbia; responsibilities included qualitative and quantitative geologic data collection and interpretation for a mineral resource company.

## education

### Quest University Canada

2015 - 2020

#### Ba,Sc.

Interdisciplinary Studies with a Focus in Geologic Sciences

## partnerships and more

### Quest University Canada

2015 - 2020

LEAP scholarship recipient (leaders in elite athletics and performance)

### Scarpa

2017 - present

Regional Ambassador, British Columbia

## media

- Video: Design Thinking In Routesetting ([link](#))
- Video: Climbing in South Lake Tahoe ([link](#))
- instagram: @routesetter.xyz
- instagram: @mpitchhole (personal)
- website/portfolio: [www.routesetter.xyz](http://www.routesetter.xyz)

## key skills and competencies

- rope system safety (CGI Level 1 certified)
- team leadership
- hold ordering
- clear and kind communication
- athletic empathy
- competition setting and head setting

## climbing

- 20 years climbing
- extensive knowledge of North America and European climbing scenes
- 5.14b / V12 redpoint, V10 / 5.13c flash/onsight