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SUMMARY

Advertising and design professional with visual expertise in providing materials for industries such as; retail, consumables, consumer electronics, healthcare, and education. A creative problem solver who uses strategic leadership and presentation skills to produce work to its highest caliber.

EDUCATION

BFA in Graphic Design, Kendall College of Art and Design

EXPERIENCE

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FREELANCE ART DIRECTOR

TWENTY TWO 7/2007 - PRESENT

- Executed wireframes and prototypes of landing pages and websites for various clients.
- Utilize design expertise to lead projects in advertising for print, digital and social media, publishing, packaging, collateral, corporate identity, and branding. Clients include; AARP, Walmart, Toyota, McDonald's, Hilton, National Geographic, The March of Dimes and Comcast.
- Interface with clients to assist with creative concept development and execution. Accelerated understanding of client's culture by analyzing competitors to develop the most effective design strategy possible.
- Responsible for developing RFPs and obtaining and evaluating quotes for various projects based on specific job specifications.

ART DIRECTOR

MADDEN COMMUNICATIONS 1/2015 - 2/2016

- Managed a team of 5 designers in the development of creative POS materials for MillerCoors.
- Created briefs, conducted presentations and maintained relationships with MillerCoors clients and stakeholders.
- Provided creative guidance to the design and production staff in the creation and execution of a variety of projects.
- Strong attention to detail and extensive knowledge of branding and strategy.

ART DIRECTOR/PROJECT MANAGER

SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION 3/2011 - 12/2014

- Designed in-store POS materials and digital elements for web and mobile for Kmart and their participating entertainment partners.
- Provided artistic direction to staff and outside vendors regarding Kmart's branding standards.
- Attended press checks to guarantee the quality of printed materials.
- Ensured brand standards adherence and consistency of work while simultaneously managing timelines and budgets.

FREELANCE ART DIRECTOR

TIGHE EDUCATIONAL PUBLISHING 10/2009 - 6/2010

- Designed textbook layouts for agency's client National Geographic.
- Performed photo art direction, image editing and retouching of selects for layout placement.
- Communicated with staff and outside vendors to implement client's requested revisions.
- Managed a staff of production artists in the process of building layouts to ensure consistency of QA while utilizing best practices.

FREELANCE ART DIRECTOR

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- Managed the artistic team in the production of Walmart's "Great Value" line of food packaging.
- Acting liaison between the agency's account staff and the Walmart creative team.
- Developed solutions for streamlining the production process of 4200 Walmart packaging SKUs.
- Successfully managed projects from inception to completion while ensuring all client expectations were met or exceeded.

ART DIRECTOR

AMBROSI AND ASSOCIATES 07/2000 - 7/2007

- Managed the internal team of six designers and also managed the relationships with outside vendors.
- Developed and produced comps and presentation boards for general consumer and business-to-business advertising, direct marketing, catalog, collateral, corporate identity.
- Represented the agency in on-site and Insite® digital press checks and photo art direction.
- Created layouts of preprints and ROPs for Sears, Craftsman Club and, OfficeMax.

SKILLS

Illustrator	•	•	•	•	•
InDesign	•	•	•	•	•
Photoshop	•	•	•	•	•
Dreamweaver	•	•	•	•	
Word	•	•	•	•	
Excel	•	•	•	•	
Power Point	•	•	•	•	
Keynote	•	•	•	•	
Komodo Edit	•	•	•	•	
Wordpress	•	•	•		
After Effects	•	•			
Muse	•	•			
Adobe XD	•	•			
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LANGUAGES

HTML	•	•	•	•	
CSS	•	•	•	•	
Actionscript	•	•	•		