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#### **ABOUT**

Senior graphic designer with over 15 years of experience in team building, training and leadership. Specializing in digital and print design. Passionate about pushing boundaries, experimenting, and leading a team that's not afraid to take risks. Effective in managing complete design process from concept to delivery. Driven to effectively use design process to communicate the client's story.

## SKILLS

#### Proficient with Windows and Mac OSX operating systems

Software: Adobe After Effects, Premiere, Illustrator, Photoshop, InDesign, Dreamweaver, Final Cut Pro, Microsoft Office Coding: HTML, CSS, XML, JavaScript

Expertise Includes: Animation, Video Editing, Email & Web Design, Print Layout, Illustration, Photography, Branding, Packaging, Typography

#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### Transwestern

#### Senior Graphic Designer

Houston, TX

03/2008 to present

When I began at Transwestern in 2008, my assignment was to bring the company's marketing efforts up to contemporary standards. Over the last 16 years I have exceeded this initial charge, and helped to lead the company's push towards streamlined innovation in the commercial real estate industry.

For example, I have pioneered the company's video production efforts for both internal and external communications. The past two years, the company's YouTube page garnered over 40,000 views and over 230,000 impressions. In 2023, our social media channels received over 140,000 video views and over 1.4 million impressions. I have created designs for advertisements, brochures, collateral and thought leadership publications. In addition to the design, I've made strategic changes in the delivery of collateral and communications. By reducing the amounts that are printed versus published online or sent via email, these changes resulted in savings on printing costs while increasing engagement. Additionally, I have assisted in the marketing and promotion of iconic properties in cities across the country, helping to differentiate, reduce vacancies and reposition them among comparable buildings in their markets.

In my position I've also served as a team leader of our over 50 regional designers located across the country, by leading regular calls offering software training, spotlighting their successful creations, and communicating new corporate initiatives. Furthermore, I have helped to create and manage numerous shared media resources including corporate identity standards, email templates, photos, and video assets. During my tenure I've taken part in corporate rebranding efforts three times, overseen the production of large-scale media presentations for annual events, and created impactful multimedia white papers and research reports in collaboration with our researchers, copywriters, and leadership.



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## EXPERIENCE (continued)

#### Commissioned Designer

Atlanta, GA

10/2006 to 03/2008

Created various print and electronic marketing and training materials for: The Home Depot, EXPO Design Center, Chick-fil-a, ExecuTrain, Manheim.com, Cox Communications, PGA TOUR Superstore, and the National Center for Civil and Human Rights

#### Georgia State University

#### **Graduate Teaching Assistant**

Atlanta, GA

08/2004 to 12/2006

Led undergraduate courses while pursuing an MFA degree:

Introduction to Graphic Design and Graduating senior portfolio preparation and review

Contributed to the learning environment by leading and developing classroom lectures, demonstrations, discussions, and critiques of projects and assignments.

Mentored students individually with their learning and mastering of various design theory and computer software programs.

### **EXPO Design Center: A Home Depot Company**

#### **Graphic Designer**

Atlanta, GA

02/2000 to 10/2006

Developed innovative training materials for The Home Depot and EXPO Design Center store management and employees which increased effectiveness and reduced costs.

Created a consistant look and feel in branding EXPO's Training, Recruiting, Loss Prevention, Operations, Merchandising, Internal Communications, Store Planning, Store Signage, and Advertising print collateral.

Managed inventory and coordinate print deadlines with various clients and print vendors.

#### **EDUCATION**

Georgia State University Ernest G. Welch School of Art and Design

Atlanta, GA

MFA in Graphic Design

# Florida State University

### College of Business

Tallahassee, FL

BS in Marketing