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OBJECTIVE

To obtain gainful employment as a Graphic Designer where I may utilize my skills and talents to both design and develop engaging and compelling branding.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Creative Director, Designer Freelance, 4efxStudio, Las Vegas, NV May 2010 – Present Designed and coordinated the creation of an internet networking launch, edited three short movies, created misc. advertising projects, working with different clients.

- Creative Director Directed work on a new internet networking launch
- Designer Work with clients on a wide array of projects

Director, Writer, Producer Snow Leopard Films, Henderson, NV January 2010 – May 2010 Wrote and directed an eight actor cast for a short movie, scouted and all secured locations, worked with the music composer, as well as edited the final movie, designed all of the promotional materials

- Director Directed actors and crew from the concept stage through post-production
- Writer Wrote concept and synopsis through final scripts
- Producer Produced a short movie

Instructor The Art Institute of Las Vegas, Henderson, NV January 2003 – December 2009 Instructor, Committee Member, and Critical Reviewer of student portfolios. Built exit exams of qualification bench marks for student progression. Designed creative class structure as well as classroom assignments.

- Creatively designed projects to facilitate learning in a classroom environment.
- Designed a unique critiquing/learning environment for student assignments.
- Coached students on best practices and the achievement of desired results.
- Courses Taught: Media Design, Conceptual Imagery, Marketing Design, Corporate Identity,
 Corporate Communication, Advertising Design, Advanced Design, Typography, Advanced Typography,
 Design Layout, Design Concepts, and Color Theory

Designer Freelance Graphic Designer, Las Vegas, NV

May 2000 - December 2009

- Designer Worked on many different projects for a wide range of clients.
- Author Revision of my book, How To Design Logos

Owner, Art Director, Designer Studio Advertising Art, Las Vegas, NV August 1984 - May 2000

- Management Worked with and oversaw a team of graphic designers. Hired and trained new employees on functional responsibilities. Work directly with clients from a creative standpoint to meet their needs on various advertising and video production projects.
- Director Directed creative work for various clients. Worked directly with photographers and commercial printers.
- Designer Directly designed advertising projects for clients in industries ranging from hospitality to government.

Art Director, Graphic Designer Valley Graphics, Las Vegas, NV

1981 – 1984

- Art Direction Oversaw a group of graphic designers. Involved with the creative design, production and
 presentation of completed work. Directed photographers on photo shoots to achieve the desired feel and
 layout of people and products.
- Graphic Designer Developed concepts through to the desired finished design.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION

Additional Professional Studies

Independent Film Distribution, University California Los Angeles, (UCLA), Los Angeles, California Script Writing, University Nevada Las Vegas, (UNLV), Las Vegas, Nevada The International Film & Television Workshop, Rockport, Maine

Certificate • First Time Director

Utah Technical College, Salt Lake City, Utah

Diploma • Commercial Art (Major area of study)

SKILL SET Adobe Illustrator, PhotoShop, and After Effects as well as Final Cut Pro X, Pro Animator and Microsoft Word

COMMUNITY SERVICE Counselor for Suicide Prevention Center, Clark County

Addy Awards Chairperson - Greater Las Vegas Advertising Federation

1st Vice President of the Greater Las Vegas Advertising Federation

Advisory Board Member for the Design Institute and for the Art Institute of Las Vegas