

## Personal

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## Objective

Currently seeking an opportunity in the area of design that will utilize my skills and offer me opportunities to develop and create effective designs.

## Experience

1997-Present

### **Contractor - Illustration and Graphic Design - Salt Lake City, UT**

Working as a freelance artist for the past 15 years. Created web design, logos, company branding, mural work, character design, sketches and numerous illustrations. Working with business owners and various clients to illustrate and design imagery for numerous projects and presentations. Have created several company identities and created layouts for brochures and advertising. Recently completed designing and illustrating two children's books for the iPad.

2012-Present

### **Lead Design - American Crafts - Orem, UT**

Creating original artwork, typography, designs and illustrations for retail products. Working with the Art Director daily to effectively create appealing designs that are on trend and in high demand. Primary responsibilities include producing press ready files, mock-ups when necessary, communication with Art Director and team of designers and leading and directing creative processes.

2009-2012

### **Lead Designer - Die Cuts With a View - Provo, UT**

Creates and designs original artwork for home décor products. Works directly with the Art Director to create and recreate artwork for retail sales. Creates numerous original designs for clients such as Target, Kohls, Bed Bath & Beyond, Wal-Mart, Joanns, Michaels and more which have continued to be best sellers at retail. Primary responsibilities include management of a team of artists and designers, producing files that are ready for press, color research and knowledge of current trends, and leading and directing creative processes.

2000-2008

### **Graphic Artist - Qwest Dex - Salt Lake City, UT**

Worked with sales management and marketing department with clients to create and design effective yellow page advertisements. Duties included logo creation and design, ad building and layout, image reproduction and color correcting. One of the top artists at the Salt Lake location several years in a row for production numbers and was asked numerous times to participate in special sales promotional projects.

## Experience

1998-2000

### **Graphics Assistant - Utah's Hogle Zoo - Salt Lake City, UT**

Worked alongside the Graphics Director and Marketing Director to design creative and effective signage and representation for the Zoo. Duties included creation and layout of the Zoo newsletter, updating the web site, creating signage for exhibits, logo design, illustration and mural work. Also responsible for the graphics department when the Director was out of the office.

## Education

1998-2002

### **University of Utah - Illustration and Graphic Design - Salt Lake City, UT**

Studied Fine Arts, Illustration and Graphic Design at the University of Utah. Participated in designs for student campaigns, campus events and numerous other university programs.

1991-1994

### **Skyline High School - Salt Lake City, UT**

Graduated in 1994 from Skyline High School with a G.P.A. of 3.1. Also participated in a multi-media design program and was awarded with teacher's honors and offered a job with Microsoft after graduation.

## Software

Over the past 15 years I have worked extensively with numerous different design programs. I am extremely knowledgeable with Adobe Illustrator and Adobe Photoshop, Indesign and Adobe and Office programs. I am proficient on the Mac platform and also have experience with the Windows environment.

## Interests

I have always been interested in art of every kind. I love all types of fine art, music, film and dance. I have an interest and an eye for photography and also play the drums and guitar. I have always loved cartooning and apprenticed with a Disney animator following my senior year of high school. I also enjoy camping and the outdoors and earned my eagle scout award when I was 14.

I have been married for 13 years and have 1 daughter and 2 sons. I love spending time with my family and also enjoy being around animals.

I have always been a hard worker, with a great work ethic. I love being part of a great team and I am very dedicated to doing the job professionally and doing the job correctly. I take my responsibilities seriously and enjoy working with other people. It's also important to me to have fun at work!

## Referrals

Available upon request.