

Education

Master of Fine Arts

with an emphasis in Painting
Completed in December of 2006
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, IL

Bachelor of Fine Arts

with an emphasis in Illustration
Completed in May of 2002
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, IL

Software

Mac OSX
Windows/PC
Photoshop CS3
Illustrator CS3
GoLive CS3
InDesign CS3
Dreamweaver
Freehand MX
Fireworks MX
Microsoft Word
Powerpoint
HTML
CSS

Past clients include

The Merchandise Mart
CME Group
Nestle
Spine-health.com
Loyola University
Maddock Douglas
Plan B Chicago
Stevens & Tate
Blue Chip Marketing
Potbelly Sandwich Works
Banco Popular
UMarketing
The Carlson Group
Upstaging, Inc.
Patch Products
Latham Marketing
Glenview Park District
Northern Illinois University
The Northern Star

Work History

CME Group | Website Designer Chicago, IL 03/08-06/08

- Converted Photoshop based designs to web using HTML/CSS and built websites/webpages.
- Troubleshoot/repaired site pages that had content that wasn't displaying properly.
- Sliced graphics and images to be web-ready using Photoshop/Illustrator.
- Worked with javascript and PHP programmers to add dynamic functionality to designs.

Potbelly Sandwich Works | Freelance Illustrator Chicago, IL 08/2007-Ongoing

- Illustrated food items/shake ingredients that had youth appeal for kid's activity sheet.
- Designed/Illustrated activity sheet using pen and ink finalized pieces using Adobe Illustrator.

Loyola University (Water Tower Campus) | Designer Chicago, IL 03/2008

- Designed posters and postcards for the intercampus mailings, bulletins, signs for the campus students, visitors, as well as to the University Alumni.
- Produced an early draft of the 2008 graduate catalog in InDesign.
- Created mock-ups and templates for future postcard mailers.

US Music Co. | Packaging Designer Mundelein, IL 02/08-03/08

- Created packaging for Washburn's line of Disney® guitars and accessories based on style guide and pre-existing art created by Disney® to fit Washburn's existing templates.
- Accounts included Hannah Montana®, Camp Rock®, Cheetah Girls®, Tinkerbell®, and Princess® guitars and accessories.

Plan B | Designer/Production Artist Chicago, IL 02/08

- Converting Illustrator files into working InDesign CS3 documents.
- Created paragraph styles and character style libraries in InDesign for designs.
- Re-sized Plan B portfolio to smaller size and converted design to French.

Spine-health.com | Designer Chicago, IL 02/2008-Ongoing

- Design mock websites for to be used in Powerpoint presentations for their clients.

The Merchandise Mart | Web Designer/Production Artist Chicago, IL 08/07 - 02/08

- Designed and published websites for the Merchandise Mart shows and properties.
- Produced e-blast/e-mail newsletters.
- Added, edited, and published content on sites, using HTML, CSS, images and text.
- Created banner ads, animated ads, and buttons for Mart sites.
- Balanced multiple projects while meeting short and long deadlines.
- Worked with Account Executives and other designers within a team to complete projects.

Maddock/Douglas | Designer/Production Artist Elmhurst, IL 08/2007

- Revised print ads using Quark, InDesign and Photoshop.
- Revise marketing proposal chart using Adobe Illustrator and InDesign.
- Create slides/tabular information for Powerpoint presentations/make revisions to slides.
- Design Postcard for tradeshow for client brand that preserved graphic elements and look.

The Carlson Group | Designer/Production Artist Lombard, IL 08/2007

- Revised and cleaned up booklet proposal design and copy in InDesign.
- Create order form that was a web ready PDF/fax document.

Banco Popular | Designer/Web Production Artist Rosemont, IL 03/2007-08/2007

- Revised outdated pages on Banco's corporate site with a more attractive design.
- Created graphics, headers, and uploaded content to "bancolovesdreams.com" using HTML/CSS.
- Designed direct mail print pieces and booklets using InDesign.

The Northern Star | Graphics Editor Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL 06/06 - 12/06

- Founded and created Graphics department.
- Created graphics for daily publish including: maps, charts, graphs, editorial illustration, web icons, and layouts for feature articles.
- Worked with editors, writers, and designers to create graphics for daily pages.
- Managed traffic, art direction.
- Managed and directed a staff of eight artists/designers.