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Skill set:

Front End Development
Web Design/Production
Print Design/Production
PowerPoint Design
Illustration
Logo Design
Cartooning

Technology:

Mac OSX
Windows/PC
Photoshop CS5.5
Illustrator CS5.5
InDesign CS5.5
Dreamweaver CS5.5
Fireworks CS5.5
Flash CS5.5
Quark
Microsoft Office
PowerPoint
HTML
CSS
jQuery

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

Midwest Corporate Credit | Designer/FE Developer Chicago, IL 08/11 - Ongoing

- Redesigned previous site to update company message, look and branding.
- Built new site based off my design with HTML and CSS.
- Provide site maintenance and updates per client request.

nickvolkert.com | Various Freelance Chicago, IL 02/10 - Ongoing

Motorola | Various Roles Schaumburg, IL 02/10 - 03/11

- Resource for Motorola's Powerpoint, Logo Design, and Web Design needs.

Blue Chip | FE Developer Northbrook, IL 12/10 - 03/11

- Resource for various small FE Development projects: mainly splash pages and microsities.

3CD | FE Developer/Web Master Chicago, IL 12/10 - Ongoing

- Built a working website based on client's design and direction to replace an old Flash based site.
- Worked with HTML5 video for the site landing page.
- Sliced and coded the site, checked for bugs and display errors in IE7, 8, FF, Safari and Chrome.
- Worked with jQuery to code the site's navigation to switch colors for the states of the mouse.
- Coded their tumblr blog to work seamlessly in look and feel with their live site.
- Embedded fonts in the site and tumblr to work across all browsers.
- Helped integrate the company into social media: twitter/facebook/tumblr.

Compliance11 | FE Developer/Web Master Chicago, IL 11/10 - Ongoing

- Working with marketing to create a site based on their current print collateral.
- Editing and fixing design bugs in multiple browsers using CSS/HTML.
- Creating jQuery based pop-up forms that are used for customer data capture.
- Ongoing resource for bugs and new additions/site updates.

Hubbard One | Web Developer Chicago, IL 03/10 - 10/10

- Working within a team of Web Production artists/web developers to create templates, sites, and re-skins of existing sites that are cross browser compatible (including IE6, IE7).
- Editing and fixing design bugs in multiple browsers using CSS/HTML within aspx/proprietary product framework.
- Working with Account Managers and Programmers to style dynamic content in large scale sites fix browser issues until, up to, and after live launch.
- Creating templates and editing bugs for handheld devices, especially: Blackberry, iPhone, iPad, and Android.
- Styling/re-skinning existing sites with dynamic content over existing HTML with new designs. Also, creating fixes and proposing new solutions to existing elements of sites such as new navigation logic.
- Creating design proposals for landing and interior pages for clients within Photoshop based on client's direction and style guides.
- Creating designs for print pieces that load with dynamic content including: print versions of sites and pdf printouts. Testing/fixing bugs in designs until pushed live.

Articulated Man/Trilogy Interactive | Web Developer Chicago, IL 08/09 - 04/10

- Sliced/coded designs for programmers using hand-coded CSS/HTML.
- Created animated flash banner ads and site headers using Photoshop and Flash.
- Sliced/coded home and landing pages for sites as well as mini sites that required quick turnaround.
- Created icons and illustrations for usage in ads, web sites, as well as interior proprietary icons.

S2 Business to Business marketing | Designer/Illustrator Chicago, IL 03/09 - 04/2009

- Designed various ads and signage for investment/banking clients.
- Made edits/design revisions to marketing pieces within Photoshop, InDesign, and Quark.
- Created spot illustration for marketing booklets and advertisement pieces.

Vodori | Front End Developer Chicago, IL 01/09 - 03/09

- Sliced Photoshop images for the web sites/pages/templates.
- Coded cross-browser compliant CSS/HTML code (especially for Internet Explorer 5) within YUI.

Motorola | Sr. PowerPoint Specialist Chicago, IL 09/08 - 01/09

- Refurbished and cleaned up older presentations to fit new marketing design standards.
- Designed PowerPoint presentations to showcase new products following marketing style guide.
- Icon illustration for print and presentation usage.