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CONTACT INFORMATION

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Freelance Art Director/Senior Designer

Seattle, WA

Self-Employed, Various Brands

02/2023 - Present

- Speak (Creative Lead): Oversee and manage Speak's global creative executions in APAC, EU, and NA regions. Lead creative initiatives while leading a team of 7 designers to re-invent brand visual system and create heavy-volume executions on landing pages, emails, motion graphic, organic and paid social, and mobile products.
- **MetLife (Senior Designer):** Designed and delivered large-volume print and digital executions on direct mail, posters, letters, postcards, emails, and landing pages—for the brand's national integrated campaigns.
- Classical KING FM (Senior Designer): Created refreshed visual identity for the brand expression and developed expansive creative assets such as print, organic social content, videos, and iconograpy libraries.

Art Director (Senior Designer)

Richmond, VA

Capital One

07/2022 - 01/2023

- Successfully launched a notable omnichannel campaign at Amazon's AWS re:Invent 2022, achieving a remarkable 233% boost in Capital One's organic engagement and earning recognition from senior stakeholders and clients.
- Led design directions within a creative team of 8 in developing impactful visual identity for Capital One's experiential and event design. Collaborated closely with marketing and product teams to deliver cohesive design solutions—improving the brand experience.
- Delegated design explorations by pitching creative concepts to senior stakeholders and partnering with external vendors to seamlessly deliver holistic 360-degree campaigns that were pivotal in magnifying the brand's impressions and values.

Junior Art Director Resident

New York, NY

Droga5

03/2022 - 06/2022

- Collaborated intensively with a dynamic team of 20 young creatives from diverse backgrounds; worked on a broad spectrum of campaign briefs for various clients under the guidance of Droga5's Creative Directors.
- Crafted unconventional campaign concepts, working synergistically with partners across various creative teams—to create design executions—blending creativity with strategic insights to develop powerful narratives.
- Pitched and presented campaign creative concepts to Executive Creative Directors and Chief Creative Officers—transforming conceptual ideas into tangible campaign executions that effectively aligned with advertising objectives.

Creative Lead Eugene, OR

University of Oregon

11/2020 - 06/2022

- Created and launched new visual languages and brand style guides to refresh brand identity and reimagine the organization—bringing a reinvigorated brand experience to life across a multitude of media channels.
- Designed high-volume, integrated, on-brand executions for internal and external facing projects with a diverse array of mediums including print, video, presentations, motion design, and branding to improve brand experience.
- Led a small creative team in developing cohesive creative assets while actively mentoring junior creatives with insights and guidance—fostering effective collaborations and ensuring results-driven executions.

SKILLS

Design Tools: Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, After Effects, InDesign, Premiere, Lightroom), Figma, Webflow, Customer.io, DaVinci Resolve, Keynote, Microsoft PowerPoint, Logic Pro.

Skills & Competencies: Key Art, Visual Design, Event Identity, Photo Art Direction, Video Editing, User Experience Design, Presentation, Brand Strategy, Storyboarding, Copywriting, Concept Development, Experiential & Events, Typography, Graphic Design, Branding & Identity, Generative AI, Logo Design, Landing Page Design, WordPress.

EDUCATION

HEC Montréal: Certificate, User Experience Design (UXD)

University of Oregon: Bachelor of Arts: Advertising with a focus on Art Direction & Design; Minor: Audio Production