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Experience

Personal Motto: "Continuous Learning is Key."

An experienced creative professional rooted in art, graphic design, and effective team leadership. My expertise lies in providing a proven set of design and managerial skills. I excel in transforming ideas into visually stunning designs, with a specialization in architectural signage and graphic design. My focus is on creating precise and compelling channels of visual design communication with graphic design & multimedia in the contemporary business & arts world.

Free Lance Graphic Designer Self Employed - Spring Hill, FL 2007 to Present

As a freelance graphic designer & gig worker, I've utilized these roles as platforms to showcase my steadfast dedication for providing exceptional services. With a strong skill set, my specialization encompasses visual communication within the worlds of Architectural Signage, Project Management, Manufacturing, Marketing, and Graphic Design. I also design digital media including: Front-End web graphics, UX/UI design, Mobile Application development, Video, & Motion Graphics for Multimedia production.

Senior Signage Graphic Designer Arete Industries (Designer Golf) - Odessa, FL 2017 to 2018

While at Arete Industries, also known as Designer Golf, I designed various types of golf-related signage for country clubs and golf fields. This included creating monument-style signs for neighborhood entryways that featured hand-painted sandblasted granite signs with 24-carat gold leaf. Additionally, I occasionally designed furniture pieces as needed. Working alongside another designer who specialized in printing, I utilized Adobe Illustrator on a PC with an iMac as a backup computer in a pippen-style office environment. I operated a Roland Verascam with Versa software for vinyl plotting and large paper cutters. My responsibilities included producing production art for stone and metal vendors or in-house use. As a top graphic designer, I supported the sales team by creating artwork for their pitches.

Operations Manager US Signs & Letters - Hudson, FL 2015 to 2016

As the Operations Manager for US Sign & Letters signage factories, I managed a team of 60-plus employees and oversaw all production in over 30,000 sq. ft. of space, utilizing state-of-the-art signage equipment. My primary responsibility was managing fabrication of a variety of channel letters, fabricating with plastics and routed aluminum. Clients included other sign companies and clients with brands like Chic Fil A, Tommy Hilfiger, Godiva, Armani, Game Stop, Waffle House, and many others. Was UL certified for electric signage manufacturing. Managed clients shop drawings in Corel Draw and ensured the highest level of quality control with demanding production deadlines. Oversaw and managed delivery of the signs via freight.

Operations Manager Sign A Rama - New York, NY 2013 to 2015

At Sign A Rama in Manhattan, New York, I oversaw a team of employees and subcontractors, managing various aspects of the business. This included estimating, purchasing, sales, design procedures, and administrative decisions. Additionally, I was responsible for overseeing the production, procurement, manufacturing, and permitting of the acquisition of all signage projects, while designing signage for important clients in New York City.

Global Manufacturing Project Manager Infinite Manufacturing Group - Irvington, NJ 2012 to 2013

In this role, I worked as a global project manager for an exclusive retail brand's architectural signage manufacturer. The company had iconic corporate designer brands like Burberry, Tory Burch, Ralph Lauren, Polo, Tommy Hilfiger, Cole-Haan, Kenneth Cole, Coach, Tommy Bahama, Eddie Bauer, Chanel, Vince Camuto, Vineyard Vines, C Wonder, and many others, for whom we provided manufacturing and signage services. My responsibilities included overseeing the fabrication process, quality control, and sign installations. Additionally, performing repairs and restorations of old or damaged signage for my clients. Our manufacturing capabilities spanned a variety of substrates, including acrylic, aluminum, steel, brass metals, various kinds of fine wood, and plastic fabrication. I also participated in the estimating process for custom signage projects, running takeoffs from architectural blueprints. Finally, I managed the shipping and freight of signs both domestically and internationally.

Architectural Signage Production/Project Manager Maier Sign Systems - Fairfield, NJ 2005 to 2012

Earned extensive experience in project management for corporate, commercial, retail, and private signage projects. I had successfully generated new sales and maintained strong relationships with new and existing clients by utilizing an organized database management system, as well as Microsoft Office spreadsheets. In my previous roles, I have supervised graphic designers and managed customer service, overseeing both in-house and external production of signage while also handling purchasing for the company. Additionally, I provided support for accounting and permit acquisition and managed installations. I have worked with various institutions, including banks, construction companies, and local small businesses. My specialties include ADA compliance, new construction, building plaques, traffic signage, and printed signage and sales support.

Skills, Certifications, & Licenses

Project & Operations Management, Purchasing, Estimating, Sales, Training, Quality Control, Safety Assessments, Business Consulting, Graphics & Signage Design, Digital Photography, 4 Color/Digital Printing - Small & Large Format, Pre-Press, Marketing, Networking, Promotions, Technical Documents, Product Design & Packaging, Architectural Signage Manufacturing, Mac OS, HTML/Web Design, QuickBooks, Adobe Creative Cloud/Suite, Keynote, iWork, iLife, Corel Draw, Quark X Press, Flexi-Sign, Audio & Video Production, Vinyl Plotting, Wide-format Printing, Scanning, Technical Drawings, Adobe After Effects & Premiere, Logic X, Final Cut, UX/UI, Mobile Application Development, MS Office/Windows.

- Underwriters Lab (UL) - 2015 to Present - UL certification in electrical signage manufacturing.
- CPR First Aid Certified • Current Driver's License

Education

- Associate of Applied Science in Graphic Design - Morris County College - Randolph NJ - 2001
- Technical Diploma in Multimedia Design - The Chubb Computer Institute - Parsippany, NJ - 2004
- Bachelor's of Applied Science in Graphic Information Technology - Arizona State University - Tempe, AZ - 2023



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