

REFLECTION

Which existing websites out there most inspired your web site design thus far?

I wanted to keep my site really simple, little text, big bold images and simple navigation. I searched far and wide and eventually found http://amycitrondesign.com/ – a simple portfolio site that is clean and easy to navigate. I tried to emulate her code but using HTML and CSS, I think she was using a plugin.

Which parts of the design are you most proud of?

I really just put in design to match my current portfolio as placeholder. I am self employed so fitting in this class was a struggle. That said I feel confident that updating the colors, fonts and images even my logo, will be possible for me now in terms of coding!

What struggles did you encounter in your design process?

I really just haven't put in the time I want to yet on my design. I am used to my clients coming first and myself taking a backseat. I hope to be able to put my needs first in the coing weeks and really polish off the coding, even if the design and content for now is placeholder.

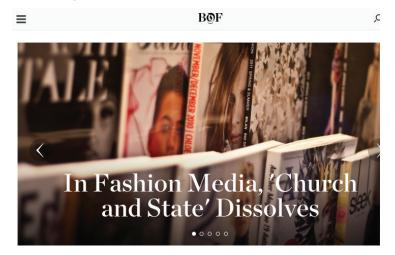
Which struggles did you encounter during page development?

I struggled to understand floats and clears at first. I have been told I over use divs but I am working towards simplifying with each round.

What did you learn from making your project responsive? SOOOOOO much easier. So much can be accomplished with media queries, I love it!



REVIEWS



The Business of Fashion

This website is clean with classic serif font throughout except for the clean modern sans used in the nav. The nav is very clear and simple and all of the well balanced white space focus' the user on the content first.

The scroll is a bit fast so it seems busy as it scrolls endlessly while I critique it, but for a user it might be a good pace to ensure they see several of these features before navigating away.

I like the simplicity in the design for tablet and smart phone. Again, well balanced white space with a read a bit like a newpaper with bold stories that come forward first employing large eye-catching images.



Space Jam

Busy busy! Obviously this site is a smidge out of date! The star patterned background and punchy bright colors compete for an overall jumbled feel. The font size is small and on the busy background very hard to read.

The navigation leaves a lot to be desired. All in all this site really could use a bit of a makeover.

This site is not responsive and would be a nightmare on a smartphone.