# Art & Creative Director / Cross-Functional Team Leadership & Process Development

With over twenty years of design and strategic art direction, I am an experienced leader who works with high-performing companies across a variety of industries. By working with inspired and driven organizations, I aspire to create beautiful, exciting, and positive experiences. Whether it is bringing people together through an application, or developing a dynamic brand to change the world, I believe that inspired teams yield inspirational results.

Team Leadership & Motivation Brand Development Creative Strategy User Experience & Interface Design Digital & Online Marketing 360 Marketing Campaigns Art & Creative Direction

Data & Process Driven Design

Concept Development

## **Career Highlights**

- Experienced and accomplished creative director—concepting and developing award-winning marketing campaigns and communications across a variety of industries, platforms, and mediums.
- Collaborative cross-departmental leadership—using process, data, and technology to inform decisions, problem solve, and create solutions with measurable results.

## **Professional Experience**

#### San Francisco Surfrider Foundation—Executive Committee Chair (2019-2020)

Coordinate and lead the Executive Committee of one of the largest chapters of a grassroots environmental organization dedicated to keeping our ocean, waves, and beaches clean for all to enjoy. Responsible for setting annual budgets, agendas, and yearly plans for nine programs with a focus on community outreach, activism, policy initiatives, and volunteer retention.

- Implemented and revitalized outreach programs to attract corporate sponsors, high-profile collaborators, and community members. With consistent and focused messaging the chapter has seen a 28% growth in membership since October 2019.
- Partnering and collaborating with local businesses and corporations to help strengthen brand awareness, drive member acquisition and retention, and increase donation volumes.

### Tag Worldwide @ Union Bank—Art Director (2016-2020)

A brand steward who directed designers, production artists, copywriters, and other specialists to ensure consistency for 360 marketing campaigns. Delivered collateral and assets across channels and mediums on schedule and to specifications.

- Created campaign concepts and end-to-end assets for email, landing pages, digital signage, print, and packaging materials.

  Product marketing campaigns yielded a 200% 400% increase in applications and approvals for various products.
- Developed emails, mock-ups, redlines, templates, and specs that adhered to UX / UI standards, accessibility, and corporate
  guidelines resulting in a 75% reduction in the time required to deliver final assets. The increase in efficiency of asset delivery
  allowed for strategic and design thinking around email campaigns.
- Presented concepts for high visibility products (credit cards and car wraps) and marketing strategies (home loans and
  mortgage products) to C-suite and decision-makers. Increased the overall business and grew to the agency statement of work
  by leveraging the internal team capabilities.
- Managed files and cloud repositories using Microsoft OneDrive, allowing for greater transparency and smoother handoff of mechanical files throughout the entire design process.

### Advanced Energy Economy—Creative Director (2013-2016)

Defined, built, and maintained the company's visual identity to ensure brand consistency across channels, mediums, and campaigns. Responsible for conceptualizing and creating assets for print collateral, websites, and email campaigns.

- Managed files and cloud repositories using Dropbox and Github. The use of Trello and Asana project management software
  and a consolidated file system allowed for automatic file updates, greater transparency, and a more efficient process.
- Incorporated Hubspot (CRM) into existing processes to maximize talents and time of program leads and developers. This
  allowed program leads to instantly make content updates instead of the previous minimum two week turn around time, which
  required a cumbersome process and multiple levels of approvals.
- Recognized by Graphic Design USA for created award-winning report and infographic designs.

#### Chronicle Books—Dynamic Digital Production Coordinator (2010-2013)

Worked with teams at Sony, HBO, Lucasfilm, Apple, and Amazon to create digital books and applications. Responsible for hiring and managing a five-person team of front-end web developers, fellows, and interns.

- Collaborated with authors, editors, designers, content creators, and outside vendors to set up systems to translate the entire
  back catalog of physical books and mechanicals to ebooks. We efficiently converted approximately 1000 titles of varied
  complexity per year.
- · Won awards for excellence in design, interactivity, and quality from PubWest, Bookbuilders West, and Digital Book World.

#### TRX - Fitness Anywhere—Creative Manager (2007-2010)

Responsible for hiring and managing a six-person video production team and developing best practices for content creation and distribution.

- Worked with the CEO and Founder and department heads to oversee the production, filming, and editing of the TRX Force Training Videos. The resulting two-disc DVD set would establish the standards for production quality for subsequent projects.
- Developed and provided standards to give early-stage content creators ownership of their content. By allowing content
  creators and personal trainers to produce videos and blog posts independently, the internal production team was able to
  focus on revenue-generating projects.
- Designed, developed, and presented wireframes, storyboards, user experiences, interactions and prototypes for online communities, landing pages, and large scale campaigns resulting in a consistent look and feel across digital channels.

## **Education**

#### **Griffith Film School**

MA: Media Production with Honours (2008)

#### **Old Dominion University**

BFA: Graphic Design, Cum Laude (1999)

## **Awards & Recognitions**

## **American Graphic Design Awards 2015**

Advanced Energy Now 2015 Market Report

California Advanced Energy Employment Future Report

Ohio's Electricity Future Infographic

North Carolina: Clean Energy

Works! Infographic

Advanced Energy Leads California Jobs Growth Infographic PubWest Book Design Awards 2012 Enhanced e-Book—Silver Award

Worse Case Scenario, Jr. Interactive Adventure: Everest: You Decide How to Survive

41st Annual Bookbuilders West Book Show 2012 - Certificate of Excellence

Worst-Case Scenario Ultimate

Adventure: Everest

Publishing Innovation Awards 2012
—Quality, Excellence, Design (QED)

Count, Dagmar!

Top Pot Hand-Forged Doughnuts

The 48 Hour Film Project 2009

Best Acting Ensemble

**Griffith Film School 2006** 

Award for Individual Excellence

Highly Commended Editing

# **Knowledge / Skills**

Content Strategy

**Branding & Brand Development** 

Corporate Identity

Logo Design

User Experience Design (UX)

Interaction Design

User Interface Design (UI)

Information Architecture

Digital and Online Marketing

Web Design & E-commerce

Advertising Campaigns

Graphic Design

Adobe Creative Suite / Sketch

Premiere / After Effects / Media Encoder

Microsoft Office 365

iWork-Keynote / Pages / Numbers

Front-end Web Development

HTML5 / CSS / JavaScript

CRM—Hubspot / Salesforce / Mailchimp

CMS-WordPress / Joomla / Drupal

Cloud and File Storage Systems

Dropbox / AWS / OneDrive

**Project Management** 

Basecamp / Asana / Trello

Github / MAMP

Digital Media

Web Development

Film & Video Production

**Print Production Process** 

Out-of-Home Advertising

**Outdoor Advertising** 

Outdoor Advertising

Vendor Management

Concept Development

Time Management

Planning

**Problem Solving**