# Mark Clifton

Art director & full-stack designer

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#### **Education**

# Virginia Commonwealth University

BFA, Communication Arts + Design '95-'99 Cum laude

## Recognition

Typeface designs featured in:

- IndieFonts: A Compendium of Digital Type from Independent Foundries by Richard Kegler, James Grieshaber, and Tamye Riggs (P-Type Publications, 2002)
- Typology: Type Design from the Victorian Era to the Digital Age by Steven Heller and Louise Fili (Chronicle Books, 1999)

### **Experience**

#### **Owner**

Phase Space | Atlanta, GA | 7/04-Present

• Freelance design and web development practice

#### **Creative Director**

**Beyond Indigo** | *Remote* | 10/14-10/16

- Part of a team of Directors guiding strategy, internal structure, and budgeting
- Led a team of staff and contract designers, developers, and QA specialists
- Directed and designed all company branding and marketing
- Maintained standards documentation and produced client education materials

#### **Digital Strategist**

Small Business Finance Institute | Atlanta, GA | 9/10-10/14

- Designed and maintained non-profit organization online presence
- Played a senior advisory role in technology strategy decision making

#### **Art Director**

Beyond Indigo | Remote | 5/04-10/14

- Designed and developed websites for veterinary, equine, and funeral sectors
- Oversaw design of in-house marketing
- Defined company standards for design and front-end code

#### **Art Director**

Richmond.com / RDC Integrated Marketing | Richmond, VA | 5/98-11/03

- Led the team responsible for design and front-end development of a large, local news and city guide website
- Designed in-house marketing, in addition to online advertising for clients
- Generated original editorial artwork, including illustration and photography
- Directed a pool of freelance photographers and illustrators
- Coordinated editorial population from partner resources
- Art directed and designed integrated marketing campaigns for agency division

#### Web Designer

Style Weekly | Richmond, VA | 5/97-5/98

- Designed, developed, and maintained the online presence of an influential, free weekly magazine and its sibling publications
- Populated websites with editorial content from the print editions
- Designed in-house and client advertising

#### **Graphic Designer**

Virginia Commonwealth University | Richmond, VA | '96-'98

Designed communications for the Department of Student Affairs

#### **Web Administrator**

Capitol Technigraphics | Springfield, VA | '95-'96

- Designed, developed, and maintained in-house print and online marketing
- Imaged client assets for digital printing

#### **Layout Designer**

Occoquan Photo | Occoquan, VA | '95

Performed digital layout of classified ad publications