Mitchell Thorson



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Experience

Interactive graphics editor

USA TODAY May 2014—Present

As an interactive graphics editor at USA TODAY, I have helped tell stories online by creating visualizations, interactive graphics, and multimedia experiences. As an advocate for mobile-first and user-centered design, I've helped to both design and build a range of web experiences and tools. I've also contributed data analysis, reporting, writing, and editing to visual stories.

Freelance designer and front-end developer

January 2013—May 2014

As a freelance designer, I worked with non-profits, startups, agencies, and individuals to create websites, brands, printed materials, and videos that tell their stories and share their ideas. Experience includes web development, print design, branding, video production, and editing, as well as motion graphics.

Designer and editor

VsTheBrain February 2011—January 2013

At VsTheBrain, a small video production company, I worked on both production and post production of videos, designed and animated motion graphics, edited video, managed large scale projects with multiple clients, and designed and developed websites.

Education

BA Graphic Design

George Mason University January 2012

Graduated Cum Laude, participated in Honors program in General Education

Skills

HTML, CSS, Javascript, responsive web design, Git, Python, D3, SQL, Adobe Creative Suite

References

Available upon request

Awards

SND 2014 Best of Digital Design

Award of Excellence:

Portfolios: Organization

Features: Single-subject project Features: Single-subject project

SND 2015 Best of Digital Design

Award of Excellence:

Features: Single-subject project

SND 2016 Best of Digital Design

Award of Excellence:

Graphics: Breaking news

SND 2016 Best of News Design

Award of Excellence:

Information Graphics: Nation & World deadline