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OBJECTIVE

"To achieve set goals efficiently and effectively with great emphasis on product quality and customer satisfaction."

EDUCATION

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| 1989-1992 | Kenyatta University Faculty of Arts Department of Fine Art | B.A. (Fine Art) Hons. |
| 1987-1988 | Lenana School 'A' Levels | KACE - 9 points |
| 1984-1986 | Lenana School 'O' Levels | KCE - Division II |
| 1983 | Strathmore Secondary School (Form 1) | |
| 1978-1982 | Kilimani Primary School | CPE - 32 points |
| 1977 | SSD Primary School | |
| 1976 | Kitante Primary School, Kampala, Uganda | |

OTHER TRAINING

National Youth Service (Pre-University Training Programme)
June, 1989 - September, 1989

Subjects Covered: • Personal fitness • Footdrill • First aid
• Campcraft • Fire-fighting
• Attendance of a series of lectures on national development issues and strategies.

Computer Training

Insight Technologies - March-April, 1994

- Introduction to Computers (Cert)
- Pagemaker (Cert)
- Microsoft Word (Cert)
- Microsoft Excel (Cert)

Circuit City - November, 1996

- Photoshop (Cert)
- Advanced Scanning and Colour Separations (Cert)
- QuarkXpress (Cert)
- June, 1997 • Adobe Illustrator (Cert)

AGFA (Belgium) - September, 2001

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Intellitune - Color Management System (Cert)
- In-house Training
- Windows '95
 - Microsoft Excel
 - DTI (Imagespeed, Adspeed & Scanning) (Cert)

August, 1999

- Javelin and Advanced Colour Correction
- August, 2003 • HIV/AIDS Awareness Course

Management Training

- Seminar on Total Quality Management - April, 1996
- Seminar on Super Communication (Cert) - May, 1997
- Seminar on Total Quality Management - April, 1998
- ISO Awareness Course (Cert) - SGS - December, 2000
- ISO Effective Procedure Writing (Cert) - SGS - January, 2001
- ISO Audit Course (Cert) - SGS - November, 2001
- Team Building Course (Outward Bound) - July, 2003
- ISO Internal Quality Auditing Course (Cert) - SGS - August, 2003
- Leadership at Work – KPMG - October, 2003
- Team Building – Brackenhurst, Limuru - 2007
- Peak Performance – Lukenya - April, 2008
- ISO Lead Auditor Course (Cert) – ICRA - September, 2010

April 2011 – Present

Pre-Press Production Manager

(Pre-Press Production) - Nation Media Group Limited

Main responsibilities:

Heading operations at Pre-Press Production(see below).

January 2002 – March 2011

Imaging Centre Supervisor

(Imaging Centre, Production) - Nation Media Group Limited

Main responsibilities:

- Overall responsibility for management & supervision of the Pre-Press section & staff.
- Overall responsible for implementation of ISO 12647-3 color workflow standards.
- Responsible for end quality of all images that are printed in all company and third-party publications.
- Timely collaboration with editorial, advertising and IT for quality assurance of the color workflow process.
- Schedules planning meetings with other departments and/or external clients when necessary and oversees Internal/external Customer feedback to resolve customer issues.
- Responsible for implementation of ISO 9001:2008 quality standards at Pre-press.
- Reviews corrective and preventative maintenance of machines and equipment assigned to Pre-Press.
- Prepares management reports.
- Liaise with the HOD for consultation, guidance and direction in work related matters.
- Responsible for determination of capital investment requirements within pre-press.

April 1999 - December 2001

Graphic Designer

(Imaging Centre, Production) - Nation Media Group Limited

Main responsibilities:

- Scanning both editorial & advertising pictures, logos, camera ready-adverts (Color/Black & White).
- Color correction of pictures for both advertising & editorial using the set Color Management System.
- Receiving and sending of contract work to the plant via IT for external clients i.e. newsletters, newspapers.
- Trouble shooting on issues related to picture/advert input and output of the various publications.
- Analysing pictures of the various publications to ensure they conform to set quality standards.

February 1996 - March 1999

Graphic Designer

(Advertising) - Nation Media Group Limited

Main responsibilities:

- Conceptualising and Designing Black and White as well as colour advertisements.
- Placing advertisements on pages using an integrated computer system that links DTP software to the system servers.
- Creating Info-graphs and other illustrations for editorial pages.
- Sitting in on the absence of the Chief Graphic Designer.
- Insuring that the quality of ready artworks coming from clients and agencies conforms to the newspapers specifications.
- Scanning all images (Colour and Black & White) used in adverts created and done in-house.
- Trouble-shooting on the part of basic software mishaps both on applications and system software.

October 1994 - February 1996

Graphic Artist

(Editorial) Jomo Kenyatta Foundation

Main responsibilities:

- Preparing all book illustrations and liaising with the Authors and Editors. (Colour/Black & White)
- Preparing all book covers designs. (Colour/Black & White)
- Laying out final pages ready for filming.
- Pasting up finished artwork on the art pulls making them ready for filming.
- Doing general design work related to book publishing and communication. (Colour/Black & White)
- Following up artwork up to the finished books with the printers.
- Designing book layout.

April 1989 - May 1989

Casual Clerk

Kenya National Examination Council

OTHER SKILLS

INTERESTS

REFERENCES

Writer

- Writing articles i.e. sports briefs for the Daily nation and humour articles for Nation Media Group in-house newsletter.

Rugby

- **1985** - Impala Rugby Club
- **1986 -1988** - Kenya Breweries Rugby Club
- **1988** - Vice Captain of Lenana Rugby Team "Mean Maroon"
- **1989 -1993** - KCB (founding player)/Blak Blad (Kenyatta University)
- **1994** - Kenya Harlequins Rugby Club
- **1995- 2000** - KCB Rugby Club (Captain in 1996)
- **1996** - Kenya Team Trialist
- **2001 – 2003** - Kenya Harlequins Rugby Club
- **2006 to present KCB**
- **2008** - Assistant Coach KCB Rugby Club
Team Manager Lions Franchise
(Bamburi Super Series)
- **2010 to 2017** - Secretary - KCB Rugby Club
- **2018 to Date** - Assistant Secretary - KCB Rugby Club

- Am also a member of a Rugby Awareness and Development side called "Damu Pevu" which consists of Ex-Kenyatta University Students (Blak Blad) who played rugby for the university.

Others

- Body Building, Football, Hockey, Basketball, Tennis, Reading and Travelling.

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