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Graphic Designer

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Designer, illustrator, and copywriter with 5+ years of experience in the design industry. 4 years of experience in publication and brand design for fashion, art, and lifestyle magazines, news, television, and radio. Award-winning web designer and former editor-in-chief of fashion magazine DAMchic Magazine.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Junior Designer

June 2022 - June 2023

Orange Media Network, Corvallis, OR

- Designed and developed identity systems for television, radio, and print magazines, both within the company and for external clients, ensuring on-brand creative solutions that aligned with technical and brand standards.
- Maintained a detail-focused and highly organized approach, effectively managing multiple tasks and delivering print and digital work against tight deadlines.
- Created compelling layouts for editorial fashion and lifestyle magazines, incorporating strong typography skills and paying meticulous attention to detail, with a 50% increase engagement in social media.

DAMchic Magazine Editor-In-Chief

June 2021 - June 2022

Orange Media Network, Corvallis, OR

- Led and managed a team of 20+ people in producing print and digital content focused on fashion, beauty, and culture, following brand guidelines and visually appealing stories
- Collaborated effectively with marketing, project managers, design colleagues, and digital, and content experts, providing clear creative and technical input and ensuring proper implementation of designs across multiple departments.
- Art directed and designed three award-winning issues of a print magazine, showcasing strong typography skills and attention to detail while elevating the brand message.

DAMchic Contributing Director

Oct 2019 - June 2023

Orange Media Network, Corvallis, OR

Wrote fashion journalism stories focused on fashion, culture, and beauty, as well as directing photoshoots for print publications.

- Pitched content and stories using news values, proofread articles ensuring written material was edited for grammar, punctuation, AP style, and accuracy.
- Formulated shoot prep sheets that detail the vision, incorporating feedback from the pitch, outlined the location details, budget, model names, contact information, and potential challenges.

ShadowMachine Studios, Portland, OR

Worked under Art Director as an intern on the stop-motion Adult Swim show The Shivering Truth (2018) creating assets and assisting production designers.

- Created props and dressed sets in staged studios using unconventional materials and managing under a specified budget.
- Moved cameras and launched shots in a timely manner.
- Illustrated and assembled print objects and props under extremely tight deadlines.

EDUCATION

Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR

Bachelor of Fine Arts — Graphic Design Graduation: September 2023

AWARDS

Pinnacle College Media Awards 2022

Best Online Main Page, Second Place, DAMchic, Oregon State University

2022 Associated Collegiate Press

Magazine Pacemaker Award, DAMchic, Oregon State University

SKILLS & OTHER

Techniques: Production Design, Design Thinking, Detail Oriented, Excellent Project Management, Team Oriented, Great Communicator, Leadership Experience, Excellent Typography, Motion Graphics **Tools and Frameworks**: Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe InDesign, Figma, Canva, After Effects