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Graphic Designer & Writer

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Work Experience:

Creative Connection (2002-Present)

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Chicago (since October 2007) and Durango, Colorado

Graphic Designer & Writer

Overview: Freelance graphic design for print and web, setup and integration of content management systems, logo design. Writing press releases and other written promotional material.

Clients Include: StarPals International Young Astronomers' Network, Chicago Astronomical Society, Beverage Art, Wild Blossom Winery, and local businesses

Colorado 14ers Initiative (May-Sept. 2007)

Chicago Basin, near Durango, Colorado

Trail Crew Leader

Overview: Spent 10-day hitches throughout the summer constructing, restoring, and maintaining trails to 14,000-foot mountains in the remote backcountry. Trained and supervised volunteers on weekend restoration projects.

Kohler's Printing & Copying (2006-2007)

Durango, Colorado

Graphic Designer & Pre-Press Specialist

Overview: Created print advertisements, direct mail pieces, calendars, and other B2B promotional materials as in-house graphics person. Worked with clients to take their vision from concept to fruition, built job bids and invoices and managed client accounts. Color separated client-supplied files for offset printing, proofread and performed revisions

Fort Lewis College Independent (2003-2004)

Durango, Colorado

Design Editor

Overview: Managed design and design staff of weekly 16-page college newspaper, designed template for newspaper pages with change from broadsheet to tabloid format, trained and managed staff of three with no prior design experience in design style and software, edited for consistency

Freelance Writer

Overview: Contributed two A&E feature stories and photography to college newspaper

Creative Connection (1999-2001)

Chicago

Junior Designer/Proofreader

Overview: Implemented changes and laid out pages using pre-designed templates, proofed and edited materials for consistency

Education:

Fort Lewis College (January 2002-May 2005)

Durango, Colorado

Bachelor of Arts, Communications and Humanities

• Graduated cum laude, 3.5 GPA

Instituto de Español Moderno (June-July 2004)

Mérida, Yucatán, México

Spanish

Shimer College (September-December 2001)

Waukegan, Illinois

Humanities and Painting

Training:

Durango Chamber of Commerce Spring Training

Attended "Future Internet Marketing Trends: Staying ahead of the curve" half-day workshop in 2006
HTML - W3C Schools 2006

Technical Proficiency:

Software: Adobe Illustrator, Adobe InDesign, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Dreamweaver, Adobe Acrobat, Adobe Fireworks, Adobe Flash, Apple Keynote, Macromedia FreeHand, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft PowerPoint, Microsoft Publisher, Microsoft Word, Quark Xpress

Programming Expertise: HTML, CSS, Drupal

Operating Systems: Mac, PC

Awards & Honors:

2007-Present - Member of American Mensa

2005-Present - Member of Sigma Tau Delta (International English Honor Society)

2006-Present - Steering Committee Member for Local Expressions at the DAC, gallery in Durango, Colorado

2002-2004 - Dean's List

2003 - Betty Haskell Theatre Scholarship

2003 - Outstanding Achievement Award from the Independent

1996-1998 Junior Exhibitor at Port Clinton Art Fair