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COMPUTER SKILLS

Design:

Adobe CC (Illustrator, InDesign, Photoshop, Flash, Dreamweaver), K4 Publishing System, Sketch (UI/UX design)

Programming languages: Flash ActionScript3, XHTML, CSS, JavaScript, jQuery, PHP, mySQL

Videos: Premiere, After Effects

OBJECTIVE

My professional design passion from print to digitals strives me to develop creative effective design solutions to the clients and readers. Being of detail-oriented and well time management are the objectives in my work practice. With my strong knowledgeable graphic design experience, I am confident that I can contribute and share my expertise to your company.

WORK EXPERIENCE

October 2011 — February 2019

DEPUTY ART DIRECTOR—Style at Home magazine and Canadian Living magazine, TVA Publications, Toronto, ON

- Worked closely with Creative Director and Editors from creating concepts, designing pages and production for different stories to meet the particular style of each magazine.
- Conceptualized photo shoots with Creative Director for features and created mock-ups for the art templates.
- Assigned illustrations with the art direction to meet the branding of the magazine.
- Supervised and provided direction to junior designers.
- Managed production, preflighted and approved pages under deadlines of two magazines.

May 2010 - August 2010

ASSOCIATE ART DIRECTOR—Style at Home magazine and Canadian Gardening magazine, Transcontinental Media Inc., Toronto, ON

- Worked closely with Art Directors and Editors to create concepts for different stories to meet the particular style of each magazine.
- Responsible for designing feature stories and art directing photoshoots.
- Responsible for production of the magazine.

February 2009 - May 2010

ASSISTANT ART DIRECTOR—Canadian Gardening magazine,

Transcontinental Media Inc., Toronto, ON

- Worked closely with Art Director from design stage to production of the magazine.
- Responsible for designing layouts of the up-front columns, the back columns and some feature stories.
- Art directing in a studio gardening product photo shoot.
- Assisted with image selection, forward selects to photographers and follow up for final digital files.
- Commissioned illustrators for the up-front stories.
- Researching and handling all stock images every issue to ensure the consistency of the style of the magazine.

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EDUCATION

2010 - 2011

SHERIDAN COLLEGE, Oakville, ON

Post Graduate Certificate – Interactive Multimedia (with High Honours)

 Course project: Redesigned the template of Lieutenant Governor of Ontario's website and engaged the audience with social media.

1999 - 2004

ONTARIO COLLEGE OF ART & DESIGN,

Toronto, ON

Bachelor of Design

 Five year Graphic Design Degree Program; Major in Editorial Design

AWARDS

2011

HONOURABLE MENTION—
34TH NATIONAL MAGAZINE AWARDS

(Homes and Gardens)

2002 - 2003

PATRICIA WATT AWARD—4th Year Award at OCAD's annual exhibition

2000 - 2001

TIMOTHY MASON AWARD—

2nd Year Award at OCAD

June 2006 - December 2008

FREELANCE WEB DESIGNER AND GRAPHIC DESIGNER—Irish Creek Stables, Cambridge, ON

- Redesigned Irish Creek Stables website to a more kids-friendly and easy to use website.
- Maintained the website with latest information and contents.
- · Designed summer camp brochures.

January 2006 - February 2009

ASSISTANT ART DIRECTOR—Canadian Home and Country magazine, Transcontinental Media Inc., Toronto, ON

- Worked closely with Art Director to refresh the template of the magazine.
- Responsible for designing layouts of the up-front columns, the back columns and some feature stories.
- Worked on the Canadian Home and Country Show Guide, sales brochure and other magazine promotional ads.
- Art directed a decor product photo shoot in the photo studio.
- Reviewed colour soft proof with production department.

November 2004 - February 2006

GRAPHIC DESIGNER—Wave Advertising Inc., Toronto, ON

- Created Asia travel booklet layouts and in-house advertising for travel account of Tai Pan Tours.
- Designed layouts for a monthly lifestyle magazine, poster and event promotional materials.

Summer 2003

- i) INTERN GRAPHIC DESIGNER—Avid Media Inc., Markham, ON
 - Created layouts for contributors, source guide and events' advertisement in Canadian Home and Country magazine. Coordinated page layouts, photo scanning and making mock-ups. Worked with art director, editor and copywriter in the design process.
- ii) INTERN GRAPHIC DESIGNER—Carol Moskot Publication Design and Direction, North York, ON
 - Created feature layouts for a client of World Vision Winter 2003/04 Childview Magazine and provided direct assistance to art director.