

A highly creative, innovative and user-focused Industrial Designer with extensive experience contributing in creative and forward thinking environments, working productively within a team, designing with sustainability in mind, and succeeding with deadlines as a priority.

Experience

Dell, UIC Interdisciplinary Product Design Program, Chicago, IL, 9/2009-Present

Year long, collaborative group project working with engineers and MBA students for Dell to improve the computing experience for users.

Unit 2 Design Chicago, IL, 2008-Present

Freelance design offering product development, design research, website design, brand image consultation, and strategy.

Product Development Technologies, PDT, Chicago, IL, 9/2009-12/2009

Internship focusing on the integration of design research within the product development process.

Powerleap, Chicago, IL, 5/2009-8/2009

An internship with an alternative energy start-up devising strategy, product and system solutions to products that convert kinetic human energy into electricity.

Ecolect, Chicago, IL, 1/2009-6/2009

An internship at a sustainability consultancy and material resource web site working on a new Eco-Label, Life Cycle Analysis integration, and a blog.

Newell Rubbermaid, Design Internship, Chicago, IL, 5/2008-8/2008

An excellent opportunity to learn within the field and work on several projects including trend identification, office related products, issues of sustainability and eco-integration.

Starbucks Coffee - Cincinnati, OH and Chicago, IL, 2001-2008

Within a corporate environment, responsibilities included legendary customer service, supervisory duties, ordering and event organization.

Freelance Photographer - Cincinnati, OH- 1995-2004

A challenging environment of managing various organizational responsibilities with the creative, to achieve client satisfaction.

Professional Organizer - Cincinnati, OH - Home and Business Organization, 2002-2004

Owner of a small business which aided professionals in the organization, simplification and upkeep of their businesses by setting up better systems of use.

Gordon Baer Photographic - Cincinnati, OH - Photographer and office manager, 1997-2001

Responsibilities in a small business environment included organization, database management, graphic/website design, customer relations and bookkeeping.

Education

University of IL, Chicago - BFA in Industrial Design with a Minor in Art History expected 5/2010, 3.9 GPA

Danish Institute for Study Abroad - Sustainability in Scandinavia, Summer 2009

Harold Washington College - Fine Arts, 2004-06, 4.0 GPA

University of Cincinnati - Journalism and Graphic Design, 1999-2002

Exhibitions/Awards

2008-09 - UIC Design Lecture Series - creator and curator of 7 lectures focusing on innovation and sustainability within design.

2008-09 - Deceptive Design: Experiments in Furniture, The Chicago Cultural Center.

2009-2010 - TCF Bank Supporting Excellence Award and Scholarship

2009 - Judith Ikenberry Memorial Award

2009 - Peter Langmar Memorial Design Award

2009 - Danish Institute Study Abroad Scholarship

Organizations

IDSA Student Chapter Member- 2006-Present and President 2008-09

Honors College Member - 2007-Present

Computer Skills

Macintosh and PC: Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Flash, Dreamweaver, Final Cut Pro, QuickBooks, Excel, Rhino, Hypershot, Solidworks and SketchbookPro.

References

Available upon request