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Nationality: French, US.

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Background

Graphic and web designer with 4 years experience, including 2 years in a top integrated agency in London and 2 years as head in-house designer in a role encompassing all web and print design. Previously completed a BA (Hons) from Central Saint Martins in Arts & Design Media. I am currently looking for a new challenging role in a design environment, where i can work alongside inspirational people and create exciting work for interesting clients.

Portfolio

Full Portfolio of websites and designs can be viewed on personal website: www.dizko.co.uk.

Skills

Languages: XHTML, HTML, CSS, some ActionScript (some AS3, some AS2), some JavaScript, some jQuery, CSS3 and HTML5.

Currently taking an evening course in Digital Marketing.

Applications: Proficient in the full Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, Dreamweaver, Illustrator, Flash, InDesign), MS Office.

Some experience using Quark Xpress, Cubase SX, Adobe AfterFX, Premiere and Final Cut.

Proficient in both PC and Mac platforms.

Relevant Experience

May 2008 - ongoing, Middleweight Graphic and Web designer, Spotlight, London

Rebranding and management of all design for the company, both for web and print projects including rebranding of Spotlight website, design and build of microsites and print and web advertising for various sub-brands of Spotlight. Responsible for all online design including advertising on external websites. Responsible for print design and collateral including window displays, glass signs, chairs, cups, bags... Liaising between IT and Marketing and Production to develop the brand both on and off-line.

February 2008 - April 2008, Freelance Graphic and Web designer, dizko design, London

Design and construction of websites on a freelance basis for a variety of clients (please view website www.dizko.co.uk).

May 2006 - February 2008, Graphic and Web designer, Lateral Group, London

Design, coding and maintenance of websites for clients including HSBC, Superdrug, PruHealth, Randstad, Everest, Yell, Everest Commercial, Dialogue Solutions, Howitt and more. Client-facing role with large degree of responsibility and autonomy as creative team composed of self and creative director only. Working across both print and web projects and to multiple tight deadlines, the role involved responsibility for the development of ideas in the concept stage through to delivery of the final product.

January 2006 - April 2006, Freelance web designer, London

Creation of websites hand-coded to W3C standards, mainly using XHTML, CSS and JavaScript. Responsible for project management (working to deadlines), liaising with clients to ensure the project's integrity, and responding to accessibility issues.

Other Experience

March 2006, Intern, Z-Channel festival, London

Work experience as assistant to the producer of the Provoke fashion show.

October 2005 - December 2005, Market Researcher, The Operations Centre, BMRB, London

Working as a market researcher, cold-calling businesses and consumers in France, Switzerland and Belgium to answer market research surveys.

Liaising with business, IT and HR managers including the role developed my client-consultancy, interpersonal and project management skills.

July 2005 – ongoing freelance flyer designer & promoter, London

Flyer designer, distributor and promoter for the Rootsteady Soundsystem in the London area.

May 2005 - July 2005, freelance translator, London

Translator of an extensive thesis covering Philosophy and Politics from English to French. Working to tight deadline.

Education

2009, 2010

Evening courses at Central Saint Martins in animation with Flash CS3 and ActionScript 2, intensive course in ActionScript 3, distance learning course in advanced typography, evening course in printmaking.

January 2006 - April 2006, EXP-Solutions Ltd, London

Completion of CIW Certified Webmaster certificate.

Throughout this intensive course I have learnt to create websites hand-coded to standard, web languages and applications, and all necessary knowledge to create functional, efficient sites. Also included learning some networking, and some application development.

September 2002 - July 2005, Central Saint Martins, London

BA (Hons) in Arts & Design Media completed with a 2.1 result.

Final project thesis on environmental sound perceived as music. Produced soundtrack and produced and directed short film of selected contemporary dancers improvising to own environmental sound track.

Complementary short course at LCC in Radio Production Skills which included switchboard duties and working on-air.

September 2001 - July 2002, Chelsea College of Arts & Design, London

Foundations BTEC in Arts & Design (Visual Communication). Major: Visual Communication.

September 1997 - July 2000, Lycee Fenelon, Paris, France

French Baccalaureate completed with A-average. Major: Philosophy and Arts.

Philosophy (A+), French (B+, B), Math (A+), History & Geography (A+), English (A), German (A+), Sciences (A+), Applied Arts (A+), Literature (C).

Interests

Easy going, enthusiastic and sociable. I have a passion for music (rare groove, Detroit techno, disco and electronic music), which was at the core of my university project, record collecting and also playing my music out. Other passions include typography and animation, and I enjoy snowboarding and cycling.

References

Available upon request.