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# INTRODUCTION

Design is my public voice, where I translate my ideas into meaningful visual encounters. Over my fourteen-year career I have learned that good design is more experienced than it is noticed. In light of that I have honed my skills in design and strategic communication by using my unique design aesthetic to solve complex creative and brand challenges.

# **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Senior Associate, US Creative Experiences Team / Apr. 2018 – Oct. 2024 PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, New York City

Responsible for development and implementation of strategic programs and products that reflect the firm's strategic, brand and marketing objectives with an emphasis on global events and conferences.

Collaborate and execute design direction with a global highly skilled creative team that delivers an integrated and differentiated customer experiences through visual, digital and verbal concepts across all media.

Responsible for developing digital and other design-led collateral, producing and executing fully-branded and environment design direction.

#### Production Artist Designer / Dec. 2012 – Apr. 2018 International Council of Shopping Centers, New York City www.icsc.org

Develop and execute innovative design direction for conference marketing campaigns with the Vice President of Marketing and Head of Production.

Layout print and digital materials for deal making meetings, educational and research events with an emphasis on conference products and signage.

Coordinate and preflight ads and content for some of ICSC top sponsors and members of the association including developers such as CBRE Group, JLL, Cushman & Wakefield, Colliers International and much more.

# Production & Creative Manager / Feb. 2010 – Oct. 2012 Production Coordinator / Mar. 2007 – Feb. 2010 Informa plc, New York City www.informa.com

Created all print, mobile and online design concepts for two of Informa's most lucrative monthly magazines; Biotechniques and Bioprocess.

Supervised design coordinators in the overall execution of art directtion and concepts.

Collaborated with the executive team to complete the production process of all print, online and events materials including production schedules.

Managed the entire project workflow for monthly magazines including release of all imagery, pre-flighting printer ready files and ads, and managing quality control.

# Production Coordinator / Mar. 2005 – May 2007 The Energy Intelligence Group, New York City www.energyintel.com

Coordinate production goals with the global editorial and marketing staff. Managed design and production layout of daily, weekly, and monthly newsletters.

# Graphic Designer / Mar. 2004 – Mar. 2005

Printech Business Systems, New York City www.printechny.com

Coordinated outreach and maintained strong client relationships with Lehman Brothers, Ernst & Young and Health Insurance Plan of New York among others. Managed and expedited design file set-up for print production, off-set and digital.

# EDUCATION

# **Columbia University**

Strategic Communications Executive Masters of Science (M.S.) Feb. 2018

# The City College of New York

Electronic Design & Multimedia Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.) Jun. 2003

# **EXPERTISE AND SKILLS**

Production & design management Design & brand experience Marketing design Creative strategy Photography Typography Video editing Web design Infographics Social media content creation Design software troubleshooting

# SOFTWARE AND SCRIPT

Adobe Creative Suite CC/6 Microsoft Office Suite SketchUp Final Cut Pro PitStop Pro Java Script HTML5/CSS

# **HONORS AND AWARDS**

Recipient of Forbes Next 1000 Honoree, 2021

Recipient of Platinum Hermes Design Award for ICSC Open Air Conference program booklet, 2015

Huffington Post Religion applauds the good work of Yusef Ramelize and his project, Homeless For One Week, 2012

Honored by Manhattan Borough President with a Proclamation as "Artist and Advocate against Homelessness", 2011

# **PHILANTHROPY**

Founder and Project Director Feb. 2009 – 2019 Homeless For One Week

www.homelessforoneweek.com

Homeless For One Week is an annual initiative to raise awareness about homelessness and to aid local agencies in fundraising in New York City.