

OBJECTIVE:

I am looking to further my skills both digitally and as an artist. I love working in a team - being able to teach and learn from each other. I bring passion to everything I create. I want to share that passion, and be fulfilled in my career.

SKILLS & ABILITIES:

Software: PC/Mac Photoshop Illustrator PowerPoint MS Office

Dreamweaver Microsoft Word Microsoft Excel Adobe Creative Suite

Design: Graphic Design Art Direction Fliers Idenity/Logos Tradeshow/Displays

Product Development/Design Adverstsing Photo Manipulation

Character: Creative Dedicated Focused Team Player Deadline-driven

EXPERIENCE:

CREATIVE DIRECTOR, Carpets for Kids-----April 2004 - Present, Portland, OR

I am responsible for everything creative at CFK from advertising and media, social marketing and web design, photoshoots and digital editing to product design and development. I take all of our products from concept to final approval for our many product lines, while managing multiple clients, projects and deadlines. In addition to designing, I work alongside the marketing department to create presentations and product recommendations for clients and facilitate the layout, displays and goals for both dealer and end user tradeshows. I travel around 4 times a year meeting with clients to gather new ideas and expand our product line. Since 2004 I have introduced 3 new product lines and CFK's sku's have grown by more than 500%. Many of my designed products rank in the top 10 of our total sales. In my time at Carpets for kids I have been credited for being innovative as I have streamlined many of our processes and have brought efficiency and organization to our files and our design process. I pride myself on my great relationships with our clients, the originality of my designs, and the fast pace at which I work.

FREELANCE ARTIST, Pure Joy Studio-----February 2001 - Current

I have worked creating textile patterns and layouts, nursery bedding, and artwork for style guides. I have also designed logos and business branding images, promotional materials for churches and even some set design for concerts. In addition I create custom hand painted artwork for the home.

GRAPHIC ARTIST, Daisy Kingdom/Springs----February 2003 - January 2004, Portland, OR

I worked with a team of artists to design fabric and textile products for the retail market. This included pattern and repeat work, layout design for pieced panels and apparel, and color reduction techniques. In addition to original artwork and design, some of my biggest accomplishments were my work for Barbie/Matel, as they were one of our pickiest clients. My bosses were impressed to see how quickly my designs were approved and moved through the licensing process. In addition to Matel, I also worked with Disney and Peanuts.

GRAPHIC DESIGNER, Hot off the Press----April 2001 - January 2003, Canby, OR

I designed in a WIDE range of areas; from book covers, layout and design of instructional books, to designing patterned papers, stickers and embellishments for scrapbooking. I create art both on the computer, and by traditional drawing and painting with watercolors; using many different artistic programs. Although some of these products were created more than 15 years ago, you can still find them on the shelves at your local craft retailer.

EDUCATION:

Art Institute Of Seattle, AAA (Associate of Applied Arts)----Animation Arts & Design, 2000 Seattle, WA

Tigard High School, Diploma, 1997 Tigard, OR

COMMUNITY WORK:

VOLUNTEER, Royal Family Kids Camp, Tualatin----2002-2009

For 8 years I volunteered as a counselor at a camp for abused and neglected foster children.

VOLUNTEER, Horizon Community Church, Tualatin-----Current

I'm the go-to designer when a project comes up for artwork, set building, bulletin inserts, and more.