

MY STUFF

Applying 25+ years of knowledge and award-winning creative success in the Healthcare, Pharmaceutical, and Food/Beverage industries while building exciting new creative content with initiative and energy.

EXPERIENCE

Creative Design Specialist

Kush Concepts, Inc.

2021 - Current

Chicago, IL

Established a freelance marketing and brand identity design business. Services included implementing major market promotions and sweepstakes for fortune 500 companies, designing market promotions, targeted data collateral, and creative strategy for large event congresses. Collaborating with other designers, writers, and content creators with cross-functioning purpose to ensure all projects are produced with the finest detail and highest quality.

Associate Creative Director

Integrated Merchandising Solutions (IMS)

2010 - 2021

Morton Grove, IL

Achieved ACD position managing team of creatives for the Local Market programs nationwide on behalf of McDonald's corporation. Duties included overseeing 800+ major market print, digital, and animated promotions throughout the calendar year. Liase with McDonald's agency of record on targeted National programs and align the creative content with quality and consistency. Lead creative capability presentations, strategic brand planning, design services, and attended weekly manager / production status meetings.

- Ensure all print, digital, and animated project deadlines were designed, nurtured, and produced to market on the client's robust timelines
- Manage and integrate client's DAM files into various promotional projects specific to local market needs for McDonald's franchises nationwide
- Tracked our 90% billable time daily and pulled team reports for Accounting dept. on request as well as maintain monthly expense reports
- Hire and mange creative freelancers when temporary help was needed

Senior Art Director

GA Communications

2000 - 2009

Chicago, IL

Developed diverse brand market identities in categories including Congestive Heart Failure, Oncology, Immuno Therapies, and Addiction. After a brief stint living abroad I returned to agency expanding into Bio-Genetics and Female Health therapies.

- Develop market materials from concept to production including leading client presentations, art purchasing and asset management, art directed off-site photoshoots.
- Designed web-landing pages for promotional brand market launches.
- Produced interactive displays for promotional, non-profit patient education forums for continued outreach to targeted audiences.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science

Media Communications / Minor in Design

Northern Illinois University

OPERAID, IL

SKILLS

Adobe CC

InDesign Powerpoint
Illustrator Premiere Pro
Photoshop Adobe XD
After Effects Bridge

Other Platforms

Sketch Outlook Airtable Certify Google Toggl Systems WebEx MicroSoft Box 365 Drop Box **MS Teams** Proof HQ Zoom OneDrive

CLIENTS

Abbott Labs

Baxter Health Novartis

Brookfield Zoo Ovation

Clarient Roche Labs

CMG Saatchi & Saatchi

MillerCoors, Inc.

Dermik Labs Sanofi
Dura Pharma. Sara Lee
Firmenich Serono
Galderma Inc. Sciele Inc.
Genzyme Corp. SGS Int'l
Glaxo Smith Kline Shire HGT

Huet & Cie Westgate Flowers Kraft Heinz World Heart Assoc.

McDonald's Corp.

ACHIEVEMENT

Rx Award Winner 2007 | 2002 | 2001

SOCIAL

LinkedIn | Facebook Instagram

Copy Writer and Producer Internship WGBO-TV Chicago TV (Super 66)