

Employment History

Strijek Design, LLC. Colorado 2003 - present

Graphic designer and business owner: As a self-employed graphic designer I have been designing and producing print and web advertising material for over 15 years. Finished products included brochures, annual reports, identity, business systems, packaging, POS, conference displays, powerpoint presentations, websites, catalogs. I have produced short documentaries using Final Cut Pro. Clients have included non-profits such as Mountain Studies Institute (Silverton, CO) and Wildlands Restoration Volunteers (Boulder, CO); larger companies such as National Cooperative Grocers (St. Paul, MN); as well as small businesses like Body Fusion (Gunnison, CO). In addition to designing, projects involve client and subcontractor interface, press checks, photography, and project management, and marketing. I am an expert in the use of Adobe Creative Suite software as well as Microsoft applications. To view samples of my work, visit my web site, StrijekDesign.com.

Specific skill set

- Develop marketing content
- Adobe Creative Suite expert
- Project management and client interface
- Web design and site management
- Email marketing
- Photography
- Technical drawing
- Prepress production
- Microsoft Office expert
- Editing and proofing
- Marketing and branding
- Management of external vendors
- Flexible and detailed oriented
- Work independently or on a team

Engel & Völkers Park City, Utah Oct - Dec 2015

Graphic designer: Contract graphic designer for luxury real estate firm. Created brochures, print ads, and direct mailing pieces by following company branding guidelines but still bring creative ideas to projects.

Vantiv Durango, Colorado Oct - Dec 2015

Graphic designer: Contract graphic designer for business gift card processing company. Entailed working with sales staff, other designers, clients to complete print and digital designs for gift cards, card carriers, and mobile assets. Extremely fast turn-around times on all jobs required rapid decision making and superior technical skills.

Epicenter Creative Boulder, Colorado Jan 2000 - Jan 2003

Graphic designer and productionist: At this design firm I was a designer and worked closely with the principles, on-staff writer and sales representative to produce brochures, magazine ads, packaging and a variety of other print material. Duties included original art creation, photo retouching, technical illustration, creating original designs as well completing designs based on templates and existing marketing material. I also communicated with local printing companies and conducted press checks. Clientele included Rudies Bakery, Frontier Natural Products, environmental consulting firms and many other Front Range businesses.

State Farm Insurance Rohnert Park, California Jan 1999 - Dec 1999

Graphic designer and productionist: As a member of the publications department, I created print material that featured company products and well as internal communication pieces for company events. Additional duties included press checks and vendor selection.

Vantage Point Photography Santa, California Jan 1998 - Dec 1999

Assistant photographer: I was the assistant to commercial photographer. Duties included product photography, portraits, and aerial photography. I was also the office manager and completed all the dark room work.

Education

Western State Colorado University Gunnison, Colorado Jan 2012 - May 2013

B.A. in Environmental Studies / minor in Biology; GPA 3.97
Grant writing - extended studies

Fort Lewis College Durango, Colorado June - Dec 2011

Archaeology field school and Environmental Studies GPA 4.0

Front Range Community College Fort Collins, Colorado August 2009 - May 2011

Natural Resource Management major; GPA 4.0
Certificate in GIS, Certificate in Forestry/Natural Resource Management

Santa Rosa Junior College Santa Rosa, California 1996 - 1998

Graphic Design Certificate: GPA 3.8

References

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