

I am a motivated individual with a passion for design and self improvement, committed to pursuing a long term career in graphic design. A good eye for detail, organised working and general computer knowledge help me to take a project quickly from brief to completion.

SKILLS

Software Competence

I am able to use a range of the most popular programs such as; Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator and CorelDraw proficiently and complete projects using them quickly, efficiently and to a high standard on either Apple mac or PC.

I can use office software to create documents and complex spreadsheets, for use in everyday records and correspondence needs.

I have experience with building websites, understanding the principles of CSS and unique constraints and freedoms that this media brings.

Design Understanding

I understand that creating a design that meets the clients budget is just as important as a striking result, and keeping it simple does not mean it lacks impact.

Organisation

My organisation skills enable me to stay calm under pressure of deadlines this also allows me to work more efficiently, and therefore more effectively, to get the the best result completed on time.

EMPLOYMENT

After completing my formal studies I worked on a voluntary basis for Couple Counselling Central Scotland for 3 months during which time I designed a new identity and applied it to posters leaflets and other marketing and stationery items. I was asked for advice and to change this work during 2007 following a recent change of name to Relate Forth Valley.

Since June of 2004 I have been in a design position with Recognition Express in Grangemouth, where I have worked to tight deadlines on a variety of projects, for blue chip and local companies. In this role I am also required to deal with any IT problems and talking to clients both in person and on the phone.

A variety of part time jobs between March 1999 and the present have helped develop various non design skills such as:

Problem solving,
Communication skills,
Working as part of a team or alone

GRAPHIC DESIGN

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EDUCATION

Falkirk College of higher and further education

Graphic Design HND

September 2001 – June 2003

Course modules included; General Graphic Design , Typography , Media for Illustration , Figure and Life Drawing , Desktop Publishing , Electronic Image Generation , Graphic Design Production , Professional Practice , Design Project , Publishing for the Internet , Corporate Identity , Publicity , Book and Magazine , Label and Packaging , Work Placement and Major Graphic Design Project.

Advanced Award in Art and Design

September 2000 – June 2001

Course covered Interior Design , Public Art and Graphic Design

Larbert High School

September 1994 – June 2000

4 Higher Grades

Art and design

Graphic Communication

Physics

Mathematics

7 Standard Grades

All at credit or general level

EXTRA INFORMATION

I have an interest in technology and this has given me an excellent understanding of computer systems, networking and software enabling me to work more efficiently.