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**Graphic Designer**

## **Objective**

To obtain a graphic design position in the design industry and to gain the experience needed to become a well rounded graphic designer.

## **Qualifications and Accomplishments**

I am a highly motivated and creative graphic designer with a variety of experience in print and web design.

I work efficiently and effectively budget my time so that I can meet required deadlines.

I thrive in a busy environment where something is always happening and work is consistently being needed.

I have a passion for conceptualization and understanding a problem and finding a solution for it.

I understand the design process and the amount of work that goes into creating a concept and refining until it is strong enough to support itself as a solution.

I graduated with Honors from NAIT's Digital and Interactive Media Design

I am skilled in the Adobe CS5 suite including InDesign, Illustrator, Flash, Photoshop and also have experience with writing valid xhtml, CSS, and Actionscript 2.0 and 3.0. Other practical experience includes using both Mac's and Windows.

## **Education and Training**

### **NAIT –Digital Interactive Media Design (Dimd)**

*2007 - 2009*

I have received my diploma for completing NAIT's two year Digital and Interactive Media Design diploma program. I majored in Print Graphic Design and minored in Flash Development.

### **University of Alberta**

*2005 - 2006*

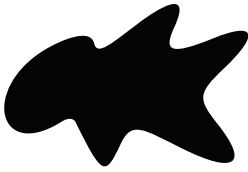
Completed first year of General Studies majoring in Art and Design.

## **Volunteer Experience**

### **Kaleido Family Arts Festival – Designer**

*2010*

I was in charge of the ad space and ad layouts for the 2010 program. I also handled all of the Kaleido collateral including bus ads, posters, digital billboards, letter head, and worked on parts of the program.



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## **Deep Freeze: A Byzantine Winter Festival – Designer**

*2010*

I was responsible for the layout of the 8 page self cover 2010 program.

## **Professional History**

### **Custom Cellular (Telus Mobility Dealership) – Sales**

*April 2007 – Present.*

I have worked in a competitive commission based sales environment, which required me to build a strong rapport between clients and myself so that I could determine and meet their needs.

### **vrse design inc. – Junior Graphic designer**

*October 2009 - Present.*

Originally brought on as an internship in October of 2009, vrse has kept me as a part time Junior Designer. At vrse I am responsible for projects such as business cards, letter heads, and identity application. One of the greater responsibilities was being responsible for the layout and design of the 2010 Deep Freeze Program. Practical experience included using InDesign, Illustrator, Photoshop, and providing press PDF files once final proofs had been accepted.

### **SnowSeekers Media Inc. – Graphic Designer**

*November 2010 – Present*

Responsible for SnowSeekers internal brand development; including online ad's, print materials, and e-newsletters. Outside of internal work, I handle all of SnowSeekers clients requirements for online static and Flash ads, promos and coupons that appear on their website.

***References and portfolio samples available upon request.***