DENEEN UNDERWOOD

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Experienced graphic and web designer skilled in providing digital graphic communication in a professional manner for print or web assets utilizing experience in concept development, original design creation, branding, typographic, color and composition solutions as well as functional, material and visual requirements for responsive designs, print to digital modifications, and multiple device designs.

SKILLS

TECHNOLOGY

- Adobe Creative Cloud
- CorelDraw Graphic Suite
- Microsoft Office
- XHTML, HTML, CSS, WordPress, and browser based CMS
- Netsuite, Profitmaker, Quick Books
- MIVA, ASP, PHP, OSC, Magento, Joomlah, Adobe Business Catalyst ecommerce programs

BUSINESS PLAN WRITING

Researched and wrote several business plans for business models, loan and investment seekers, and a maquiladora with the following components: executive summary, vision and mission, company overview and profile, product or service strategy, market analysis, marketing plan, and financial plan and forecasts.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Researched and wrote formula for Flood Control Authority to calculate current gauge/discharge to determine if a major flood event would have happened prior to improvements.
- Wrote and taught public education component for Act 101, Section 902 Municipal Recycling Program
 Grant for Carnegie Borough. Satisfied recycling outreach effort by creating a recycling education animation
 narrated by students at the Boys and Girls Club and Carnegie Elementary Family Reading Night.
- Collaborated with Carnegie Borough to collect data and compile information and along with original photography and illustration, created a new website that offers valuable information to residents and was awarded First Place in the 2016 Pennsylvania Association of Boroughs Web Design Contest.
- Researched local/national contests and coordinated student participation resulting in more than 30 first-fourth place winning entries spanning 5 years with receipt of various art supply and field trip grants.
- Managed information and graphics using Excel, comma delimited formats, and various ecommerce software for more than 50 Earth Trade Communications ecommerce websites.
- Art direction and project management to meet and understand overall vision, timeline, and budget.
 Analyzed tasks and implemented design strategies and solutions through research, data collection, audience identification, and information architecture resulting in clear visual message communication.

WORK HISTORY

Graphic and Web Designer

2015 - present

Carnegie Borough, Carnegie, PA

Original web design, continuing maintenance, event photography, image editing, content research, print advertisements, brochures, and pamphlets.

Web Designer

2014 - present

Chartiers Valley District Flood Control Authority, Carnegie, PA

Original web design, continuing maintenance, photography, image editing, content research, and monthly gauge and discharge updates.

RECENT DESIGN PROJECTS

JCT Lawn Care, Carnegie, PA	2018 - present
TurnKey Taxes, Warrendale, PA	2017 - present
Stowe Township, Stowe, PA	2017 - present
Paint the Burgh, Scott Township, PA	2016 - present
Urangatang Web Designs, Las Vegas, NV	2007 - 2015
San Diego BBB Book, San Diego, CA	2006 - 2015
Saratoga Saddlery, Saratoga Springs, NY	2004 - present
A to Z Line and Anything Imprinted, Carlsbad, CA	1997 - 2015

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Graphic and Web Designer

1997 - 2002

IPO Consultants, San Diego, CA

 Designed print communications such as corporate marketing packages and branding for companies with merger, acquisition, or initial public offering plans. Communication strategies were developed and their implementation directed to specific investment audiences – analysts, institutions, shareholders, brokers.

 Created portfolio pieces for business development proposals and investment strategies presented in business wire press releases, advertisements, brochures, annual reports, finance or investment publications, company profiles, investor fact sheets, and websites.

Athletic and Casual Footwear Designer

1994 - 1997

KIA Inc., (Guess Athletic), San Diego, CA

- Footwear design, material and component research, detailed specifications, line branding and logos for footwear, tissue, labels and box design.
- Researched, designed, and wrote company brochure used at SGMA Atlanta, NSGA Las Vegas, and ISPO Munich as well as international buyer package distributed to retailers in Europe.

Graphic Designer, Typesetter, and Prepress
Forward Lithography, Pittsburgh, PA
New Pittsburgh Courier Publishing Company, Pittsburgh, PA

1990 - 1994 1986 - 1990

ECOMMERCE DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT

Mardo Cigars and By Pass Engineering Inc., San Diego, CA	2016
Earth Trade Communications, Encinitas, CA	1999 - 2016
Eternal Dreams Online Bridal Shop, La Mesa, CA – Owner	1999 - 2012

INSTRUCTION EXPERIENCE

Carnegie Boys and Girls Club, Carnegie, PA – Fine Art	2017 - Present
Crafton Library, Pittsburgh, PA – Fine Art	2017
Rosslyn Farms Community Club, Rosslyn Farms, PA – Fine Art and Shakespeare	2016 - Present
ITT Technical Institute, Pittsburgh, PA - Visual Communications Adjunct Professor	2014 - 2015
College Center Montessori School, La Mesa CA - Fine Art and Shakespeare	2004 - 2012

EDUCATION

Graduate Work in Art History	
San Diego State University, San Diego, CA	1996 - 1997

BA Visual Art and Design

Point Park University, Pittsburgh, PA 1991 - 1993

AA Visual Communications

Art Institute of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 1984 - 1986

AWARDS

Carnegie Borough website – 2016 PA Association of Boroughs **First Place Web Design** 5001-7500 category IPO Consultants - **Best Booth Design Award**, San Francisco Money Show

COMMUNITY DESIGN WORK

Carlynton High School Career Fair – Logo, sign, passport designs, Digital Marketing Booth	2018
Carnegie Elementary GATE – Rain Barrel Design	2016
Carnegie Elementary Family Reading Night Presentation and Craft	2015, 2016
Carlynton Soccer Boosters – Homecoming Float, Senior Night Program, Banquet Program	2014 - 2017
Carnegie Elementary – WISE (Women in Science & Engineering) logo design	2014
Carnegie Elementary 6 th Grade Graduation PowerPoint, Program, Invitations, and Certificates	2014 - 2018
Carnegie Elementary Yearbook Editor and Designer	2013 - 2018