## **DYNA MENDOZA** CREATIVE DIRECTOR

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Superior team leadership combined with creative and business acumen to deliver a broad range of high-quality marketing, print design, UX, and digital projects for major corporate brands. Senior creative with **20+ years of proven success** directing high-performing teams to deliver the full scope of brand services and marketing needs. Talent for driving development and direction of creative strategies both internally and consumer-facing. Builds solutions-oriented teams to execute highest level of visual quality. Directs advertising and brand campaigns both strategically and graphically. Partners crossfunctionally to build consensus and ensure projects meet all deadlines within budget.

:: EDUCATION ::

Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) - Graphic Design California Institute of the Arts | 1996

:: AREAS OF EMPHASIS ::

- Full Life Cycle Project Management
- Brand Strategy
- Industry Standard Graphic Design
- Web Usability Best Practices / UX
- Experiential Multimedia Marketing
- Social Media Marketing

- Concept Development
- Print Production Processes
- Workflow Management Systems
- Cost Control / Budget Administration
- Strategy Development
- Cross-Team, Vendor, & Media Relations

## :: SKILLS ::

Art Direction, Graphic Design, Adobe Creative Suites, Illustration, Full Life Cycle Project Management, Brand Strategy, Industry Standard Graphic Design, Web Usability Best Practices/UX, Experiential Multimedia Marketing, Concept Development, Print Production Processes, Workflow Management Systems, Cost Control/Budget Administration, Cross-Team Vendor and Media Relations

**:: TOOLS ::** Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign), PowerPoint, Keynote, Wiredrive, Basecamp

## :: PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE ::

#### **ART DIRECTOR**

Freelancing | October 2019 – Present

- Clients: {Facebook, Women for Biden 2020 National Campaign, Make a Wish, Argon Entitlements Inc., Perception Lighting Design, Distributed Media Lab, Just Women's Sports, Cineo / NBC Universal}
- Design work included: Website Design & Creation as well as Corporate Identity / Brand Design
- Design work for Social Media & email blasts
- Event Design work included: Logo refresh & Color exploration, H Frame Signage and Rigid Banners
- Print Design for the "Wishes on The Vine 2020" Tri-Fold Mailer Invitation
- Logo Creation and Original Cover-Art for upcoming Podcast
- Commissioned Product Illustrations featured in 2021/09 September Issue of American Cinematographer

#### **CREATIVE DIRECTOR**

Bleacher Report | San Francisco, CA | November 2010 – October 2018

- Directed all aspects of brand look, visuals, and relevancy maintaining strict adherence to guidelines and positioning for a world leader in online sports entertainment and information.
- Provided day-to-day management of a team of visual designers to fulfill multiple, simultaneous internal and external projects using "hands-on" leadership approach.
- Deployed successful conceptualization and launch of collateral, desktop and mobile apps, event spaces, and multi-platform experiences.

- Coordinated with executive leadership on cross-platform brand activation for television, digital, social, and on-site.
- Assessed, evaluated, and hand-picked talented design team to deliver exceptional internal and external design collateral. Spearheaded branding and logo design for company sites and divisions, including the \$250K "BRxJumpOff" three-day event.
- Increased efficiency, cross-functionality, and brand success by devising and implementing new standard operating procedures for design team and other departments.
- Enhanced user experience capabilities by designing unique template empowering clients to integrate their branding/messaging into Bleacher Report and executing intuitive and immersive design work for optimal interaction with the brand.
- Maximized ROI by successful management and professional development of entire visual design team, zero turnover during my tenure increased Bottom-line and productivity by eliminating onboarding and trainee costs.
- Leveraged experience in skillful communications, empowering creative talent, and implementing design innovation to grow creative marketing. Success resulted in a personal invitation to attend and present at the 2014 Women in Telecommunications Conference, "Leading with Power and Authenticity."

# SR. VISUAL DESIGNER

## Shutterfly | Redwood City, CA | June 2010 - August 2010

- Led user-facing graphic design / content development on contract for the global name in personal and business digital print services. Collaborated with user interface designers, translating complex specifications and product requirements into user-friendly graphics and visual content, delivering projects on time and within budget.
- Leveraged internal and external collateral into compelling, diverse deliverables including visual design systems, high-fidelity comps, icon creation, production of visual assets, and intuitive user experiences.
- Ensured business results across Shutterfly platforms by building strong communications among cross-functional teams including engineering, product management, and UI designers.
- Designed, developed, and implemented original designs for brand web pages and special features.

## **SR. VISUAL DESIGNER**

AOL | Mountain View, CA | June 2007 - March 2009

- Held responsibility for devising and delivering daily creative solutions for world-wide media corporation.
- Increased traffic to website and pages while minimizing page-load times as visual architect.
- Elevated production by designing and instituting standardized flexible network templates that were IAB compliant.
- Collaborated with engineering team to create and launch web apps including myAOL, AOL Calendar, AOL Alerts, and AOL Pictures.
- Propelled revenue into double-digit increase with AOL Mail redesign.

## **:: ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE ::**

SENIOR DESIGNER Ziff Davis Media San Francisco, CA October 2005 - June 2007 SENIOR DESIGNER bebe Corporate San Bruno, CA October 2004 – October 2005

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Cnet Networks San Francisco, CA September 1998 – October 200

## **:: EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES ::**

- BOARD MEMBER | 42<sup>nd</sup> Street Moon Theater Group | November 2020 present
- **DESIGNER** | Women for Biden-Harris 2020 | April 2020 Present
- MAKE-A-WISH GUEST SPEAKER | Fleet Week Social & Fundraiser | October 2019
- MAKE-A-WISH GUEST SPEAKER | 8,000th Wishes: Drive-In Movie Night | March 2017