Alison DeBenedictis

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<mark>school of visual arts</mark> bfa 2003

adobe cc

xd, photoshop, illustrator, indesign, aftereffects, premiere

sketch

microsoft office 365 html, css social media canva, adobe spark google web designer wirewax zoom

other fun things i do:

sprocket & lloyd whimsical illustrations

100 Hour YTT training certified

gås business communications 10/16-now

Vice President, Creative

Lead 20+ person team of art directors, graphic and motion designers, production artists, and videographers. Provide creative direction, strategy, and insight for all agency accounts.

Introduced monthly training sessions on digital advertising, UX, and new mediums. Successfully led team through remote environment: establishing new workflows, communication, and new servers to achieve productivity guidelines.

Senior Art Director

Oversaw creative direction for all marketing and sales materials for DuPont, Dow, Radian, Syngenta Corporate, Syngenta Lawn & Garden, Schindler, MDRT, INSIGHTEC, Cornerstone Building Brands, and Lallemand Animal Nutrition.

Led award-winning campaigns for DuPont Water Solutions, Syngenta Turf, and Schindler including the agency's first virtual reality and podcast campaigns. Became AOR for Syngenta Professional Solutions, introducing 15 new ad campaigns and product launches over the course of two years. Led the rebranding effort for DuPont Microbial Control, Water Solutions, and Pharmaceuticals following the Dow merger and spin.

Developed standardized review and competency guides for all 15 roles within the department. Rolled out project management system and optimized workflow for the agency.

Art Director

Oversaw creative direction for all marketing and sales materials for Dow, Actagro, Panasonic Coronal Energy and City Now, Syngenta, LORD, Schindler, and Ply Gem, amongst others.

Developed branding for Proximus, a new product for Actagro. Effectively concepted, marketed, and designed sales collateral, website redesign, and advertising launch campaigns (print, digital, social, OOH, radio) leading to increased sales and prominent university affiliations.

freelance everywhere 08/15-10/16

Creative Director, Designer, Illustrator, Chef

Design, strategy, and creative direction for companies large and small. Custom illustrations and prints. Chef assistant at Sur La Table Cooking Schools.

hearst magazines ny, ny 08/14-07/15

Executive Creative Director, Group Marketing

Oversaw creative direction for the Hearst Men's Group - Esquire, Popular Mechanics, Car and Driver, and Road & Track.

Established first cross-platform and multi-title creative group. My team designed and produced all marketing materials (sell-sheets, presentations, collateral, premiums), custom print and digital advertising, photo and video shoots, and events for all four titles. We specialized in a 360 approach to all programs. Managed a team of designers, copywriters, and various freelancers.

Concepted, executed, and produced photo and video shoots. Specialized in branded content, producing over 40 videos within a year.

Developed strategy and cross-platform design direction based on a client's business goals and objectives. Custom programs tripled in revenue during my tenure.

Clients include, but not limited to: Mercedes-Benz, Acura, Toyota, Ford, Lincoln, Cadillac, Macallan, Ketel One, Armor All, Castrol Oil, Samsung, Axe, Falken Tires, and Michelin

quidsi, an amazon company jersey city, nj 07/13-08/14

Senior Art Director

Oversee creative direction of six eCommerce sites, Casa, BeautyBar, Look, YoYo, Bookworm, AfterSchool; and cross-site marketing initiatives.

Manage a team of designers responsible for the branding and marketing of our six sites.

Developed email marketing and landing page templates resulting in increased sales. Defined style guides for all brands to enhance user experience.

Redefined the branding of Casa.com and BeautyBar.com in collaboration with the merchandising and marketing teams.

Awards

2011 CONDÉ NAST MARKETER OF THE YEAF

2011 Ad Age Media Vanguard Award: Best iPad Ad-Production Studio

2020 Ragan's Video, Visual & Virtual Awards: Finalist, Augmented and Virtual Reality, Syngenta Turf Experience the Action VR

PR Daily 2020 Content Marketing Awards Finalist: Interactive Content Syngenta Turf VR Finalist: Microsite INSIGHTEC ETAM Finalist: Brand Journalism

TOCA 2020

Winner, Design - First and Gardner Award Printed magazine/single page design, advertising "Syngenta GreenTrust 365 Advertising Design"

2018 Corporate / B2B Agency of the Year, The Holmes Report

IAC 2014 Winner, Best Advertising Social Media Campaign Oral B Power Up

IAC 2013 Winner, Best Fashion or Beauty Online Video GUESS Trend Reports

Winner, Best Fashion or Beauty Rich media Online ad Diesel Fit Your Attitude

Winner, Outstanding Website Hugo Boss VIrtual Fitting Room

min Best of the Web 2012 Honorable Mention, Contest/Online Games Van Cleef and Arpels Hidden Gems

IAC 2012 Winner, Best Fashion or Beauty Rich Media Online campaign Van Cleef and Arpels Hidden Gems

Winner, Best General Interest Online Video Mary Kay Diary of a Beauty Blogger

min Best of the Web 2011 Winner, Integrated Marketing Campaign Chase Ultimate Rewards

Honorable Mention, Design Brides Love Truck

condé nast ny,ny 04/10-07/13

Art Director

Managed and mentored the design group in a digital agency producing advertising campaigns appearing on Condé Nast's sites, apps and iPad editions, including Vogue, Wired, Bon Appetit, Vanity Fair, GQ, Condé Nast Traveler, Allure, Glamour, Lucky, Architectural Digest, Teen Vogue, The New Yorker, Brides, Details, Epicurious, and W magazine.

Concepted, executed, and produced photo and video shoots.

Developed strategy and cross-platform design direction based on a client's business goals and objectives.

Named Condé Nast Marketer of the Year 2011.

Clients include, but not limited to: Barney's, Chase, Diesel, Esteé Lauder, Ford, GUESS, Intel, Kraft, L'Oreal, Macy's, Mercedes-Benz, Microsoft, Oscar de la Renta, P&G, Samsung, Sony, and Van Cleef & Arpels.

Senior Designer

Designed custom interactive advertising campaigns comprising of rich media banners, microsites, sweepstakes, email, facebook applications, mobile sites, and host of other creative and innovative digital marketing efforts.

Oversaw team of junior designers.

dailycandy ny, ny 06/06-04/10

Lead Designer / Art Director

Built and established a creative department at DailyCandy

Executed all design materials including website and email design, IA, logo design, advertising and in-house promotional display banners, brand guidelines, events, premiums, product design

Developed and defined a new aesthetic for the brand in conjunction with site redesign

Advertising Production Manager

Managed advertising production team working seamlessly with both sales reps and ad agencies in execution of large campaigns

j.crew ny,ny 09/03-06/06

Creative Assistant, Store Communications/Internal Marketing Designed product knowledge materials for the Factory and Crewcuts divisions

Created and managed J.Crew internal Intranet