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Education: Bachelor of Fine Arts, TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY, 2004; Majored in drawing and painting, with additional emphasis in figure study, digital imaging, and printmaking.

Skills: Expert in hand drawn illustration. 200+ hours of SolidWorks 2008 engineering software. Multi-talented in 3D design, photography, digital imaging, model making, children's book illustration, cartooning, painting, and printed media. Expert in Adobe Photoshop CS III. Proficient with Flexi-Sign Pro 8.0; and Graphtec Plotters. Knowledgeable in Microsoft Word, Power Point, and Excel. Basic graphic design skills involving printed media. Some HTML experience. Some familiarity with Multi-Axis Routers & CNC process.

Experience:

Product Designer (Illustrator) / Production Artist

QUESTECH Corp., Rutland, Vermont (February 2006 – Present)

- Conceptualizing, researching, designing, and hand illustrating new products for a home tile manufacturer
- Working directly with the chairman of the board, heads of marketing, and fellow design team, towards the artistic development of new products
- Fast paced, deadline driven work environment, involving brand name clientele such as Home Depot, Lowes, Mohawk Tile, American Olean, and Dal Tile
- Interior kitchen and bathroom design for photo shoots, as well as both investor's and executive's homes
- Both printed, and hand-drawn graphic media for company presentation
- Model making, vinyl masking, painting
- Meticulous attention to mathematical and grammatical accuracy

Commercial Artist – Promotional Designer – Owner

KREATIVEINK.COM (2002 - Present)

- Currently developing a series of children's books with two Dallas, TX school teachers
- Currently developing a series of children's book with Questech's chairman
- Currently a promotional marketing designer for a Denver, CO based rock band; including album sleeve design, CD design, press kit design, tshirts, stickers, gig posters, and visual web support

Photographer / Promotional Marketing Designer

SUMMIT STATION LODGE, East Glacier Park, Montana (Summer Season, 2005)

- Photographer and Marketing Designer for an Austin owned five star fly-fishing outfitter
- Photo-digital documentation of client's fishing expeditions, and creation of souvenir vacation CD's., slide shows, and Power Point presentations
- Designing ads, brochures, informational media, web skins and updates

Cartoonist

THE VAIL TRAIL NEWSPAPER Vail, Colorado (Winter/Spring Season, 2005)

- Writer and illustrator of a cartoon strip for a weekly newspaper published in Vail, Colorado

Cartoonist

THE UNIVERSITY DAILY NEWSPAPER (NOW THE DAILY TOREADOR) - Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas (2001 – 2004)

- Lone cartoonist, responsible for writing and illustrating the daily cartoon strip for 20,000 Texas Tech readers.

Artist's Apprentice

STUDIOS OF JUAN GRANADOS, Lubbock, Texas (2003)

- Collaborated with a nationally renowned ceramicist, on a ceramic sculpture, for submission to the Smithsonian Museum of Art

Honors:

- Honorable Mention Award for "Bush Mountain" a figurative drawing (charcoal), 17th Annual Juried Art Student Exhibition, Texas Tech University School of Art; Juror: Charles Schmidt, Professor of Painting & Drawing, Tyler School of Art, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA.
- Winner, Gold Circle Award (two years consecutively) - A national award granted to college level journalists and artists who excel in student press.
- Winner, Silver Key Award - An award given by Saint Stephen's Private Academy in Austin, TX to Texas high school students who excel at visual and performing arts.
- 2nd Place Winner (two years consecutively) Homecoming Banner Competition, sponsored by Texas Tech Homecoming Committee.

Organizations:

- Kappa Alpha Order, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas, Homecoming Committee Chair and Creative Designer for T-Shirts, Floats, Flyers, Rush Skits, and Theme Parties.
- Boy Scouts of America - six years; achieving the rank of "Life" and Member, Order of the Arrow.

References:

- Eric Williams, Industrial Designer, Questech Corporation, (802) 558-3980, emwdesignworks@yahoo.com
- Brandon Formby, Editor, University Daily Newspaper (now with Dallas Morning News), Dallas, Texas (469) 323-2098; bformby@dallasnews.com
- Juan Granados, Master of Fine Arts Professor, Texas Tech University School of Art, Lubbock, Texas; (806) 777-8445; jgranados@ttu.edu
- Brett Stallings, Senior Designer, Texas Tech Marketing and Promotions; (806) 729-9597; creative@brettstallings.com