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EDUCATION

MINNEAPOLIS COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN M.F.A. Candidate	Minneapolis, MN	2006-Present
THE SCHOOL OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO B.F.A. Painting Concentration	Chicago, IL	2006
DEPAUL UNIVERSITY B.A. Graphic Design Concentration	Chicago, IL	1998 High Honors

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

FREELANCE DESIGNER Clients Include: Target, JB Chicago, Art + Science and Barrett Photography	Minneapolis, MN and Chicago, IL	September 2006-Present
JB CHICAGO Art Director Design and production of promotional materials, brochures, magazines, packaging, websites, multimedia presentations and identities. Concept development, project management and client consultation	Chicago, IL	January 2000–September 2006
GARRY ALAN DESIGN Graphic Designer Design and production of brochures, logos, signage, packaging and catalogs	Northbrook, IL	July 1999–January 2000
MVP MEDIA GROUP Assistant Art Director Design and production of full color magazines for Buffy The Vampire Slayer, Sci-Fi World and Body Slam Wrestling including concept development, page layout, scanning, color correcting and preparing articles and ads for film	Oakbrook, IL	August 1998–July 1999
BAKER & TAYLOR ENTERTAINMENT Graphic Designer Production of monthly book publication and assisting in the design of weekly music catalog along with design of ad slicks, inserts and graphics for presentations	Skokie, IL	December 1997–August 1998
DEPAUL UNIVERSITY PUBLICATIONS SERVICES Graphic Design Intern Design of brochures, newsletters, invitations, book covers, letterhead and other university publications	Chicago, IL	January 1997-June 1997

COMPUTER SKILLS

FLUENT WITH MAC DESIGN PLATFORM: Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, Quark Xpress, Adobe InDesign, Flightcheck and Acrobat

PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE OF MICROSOFT OFFICE: Word, Power Point, Excel and Entourage

BEGINNING USER OF WEB AUTHORING SOFTWARE: Macromedia Dreamweaver, Adobe ImageReady and Adobe GoLive

Experienced in Print, Product and Web Graphics Production as well as Trouble Shooting for Macs

ACHIEVEMENTS

Art Department Award at DePaul University	1996-1997
Dean's Award for Scholastic Excellence at DePaul University	1996 & 1997
Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society	1996
Golden Key National Honor Society	1996

References Available upon Request . **Online Portfolio at kirasimonian.com**