

## Objective

To secure a graphic design position in an organization and contribute to its success and growth.

## EDUCATION

### 2006 to present

Currently pursuing a Bachelor Degree in Graphic Design at Art Institute of Pittsburgh, Pa.

### 1995 – 1998

Associate's Degree in Applied Sciences in Commercial Art – Graphic Arts; Luzerne Community County College, 1333 Prospect Street, Nanticoke, Pa., 18705

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

### 2001 TO PRESENT NEWSROOM GRAPHIC ARTIST, THE CITIZENS' VOICE NEWSPAPER, WILKES-BARRE, PA.

- Development of creative, eye-catching graphics to accompany news, features and sports stories.
- Assist in planning stories, including the Story of the Day and series of stories.
- Join in short-term and long-range story planning sessions.
- Paginate pages as assigned, with and without use of graphics to create compelling pages.
- Assisted in scanning and toning photos.
- Monitor available graphics, either as stand-alone or with local enhancements.
- Create re-useable graphic art elements, such as logos and charts.
- Look for training opportunities to reach and retain highest level of skill possible.

### 1999 TO 2001 ELECTRONIC PREPRESS OPERATOR, THE TIMES LEADER NEWSPAPER, WILKES-BARRE, PA.

- Assist in scanning and toning photos for production.
- Determine prepress requirements by reviewing work orders.
- Paginate pages as assigned using text, photos and other graphic elements determined by an editor.
- Look for clarity, and accuracy for registration of color negatives.
- Look for training opportunities to reach and retain highest level of skill possible.

## SPECIAL PROJECTS

### 2005

Luzerne County's Top 100 Greatest Athletes: Citizens' Voice Newspaper

### 2004

Smoke Free Safari Coloring Book: Cadette Girl Scout Troop 2292 Project with contributions from Wilkes University and Maternal and Family Health Service

## RECOGNITIONS

### 2007

■ Keystone Chapter, Society of Professional Journalists 2nd Place for Page Design for Best Tabloid Page Design for "Big Win."

### 2006

■ Keystone Chapter, Society of Professional Journalists 1st Place for Page Design for Best Tabloid Page Design for "Busy as a Bee."

■ Keystone Chapter, Society of Professional Journalists 2nd Place for Sports Story Daily for "Top 100 Athletes."

■ Pennsylvania Newspaper Association, 1st Place for Page Design Division 3 for "Samples"

### 2005

■ Keystone Chapter, Society of Professional Journalists 1st Place for Page Design for Best Tabloid Page Design for "Celluar Security."

### 2003

■ Keystone Chapter, Society of Professional Journalists 1st Place for Page Design for Best Tabloid Page Design for "Counterfeits."

### 2002

■ Keystone Chapter, Society of Professional Journalists 1st Place for Page Design for Best Tabloid Page Design for "Bridge Builders."