



Resume for:

Dick Kirkland

Portfolio:

dickkirkland.com/portfolio

Strengths

Illustration, Graphic Design, Web Design, Web Development, animation, visual thinking, converting abstracts into tangible advertising and/or other creative with strong art direction and visual identity skills, creating appealing environments and dynamic user experiences in print, web and multimedia venues for over 15 years

Technical Experience

Adobe Master Collection (all design, illustration, web development, and video production softwares), HTML4, HTML5, XHTML, CSS, JavaScript, jQuery, jQuery UI, PHP, MySQL, Wordpress as both a CMS and web development tool, Flash, PC and Mac OSs, current concentrations are Ecma/JavaScript & AJAX in Object Oriented Programming scenarios for desktop and mobile application development

Education

Multi-disciplinary BFA, Virginia Commonwealth University, Communication Arts and Design with emphasis in Graphic Design, illustration and electronic animation
1999, Cum Laude

Professional Experiences

Commonwealth of Virginia House of Delegates Website Developer / Graphic Artist - 6/04 - present

Develop websites, print materials and provide IT support for this state agency any many in and around the Virginia General Assembly.

Act as a liaison between state agencies, contractors, and vendors.

Work on large projects such as scalable dynamic websites, and Flash/ActionScript applications

Create visual identity, and formal print publications that complement brands and/or design standards for several organizations within the Assembly and state government

Freelance print design, web design and development (front end work) & CoLab Multimedia, LLC - 9/03 - 9/09

Created a multi-media creative agency where a partner and I helped clients with small to corporate size businesses achieve their goals in marketing and advertising.

Front end web design and development using advanced CSS, XHTML, and Flash

Often created logos and other pieces of visual identity to

help clients with the branding of their organizations.

Assisted with design and production of various printed ephemera which usually was an extension of brands and websites previously created.

Business still thrives with its original and ever growing client base.

Children's Wear Digest Assistant Art Director / Graphic Designer - 3/02 - 8/03

Working with a team to produce a mail order catalog from start to finish

Updated the company's web content on a regular basis using a CMS to control proper imagery for online E-commerce presentations

Styling and directing of photoshoots in a digital studio and in the field

Design of the catalog and other print collateral, often writing copy

Designed HTML email blasts periodically along with web animations or ads

Pocahontas Foods USA (Progressive Group Alliance) Graphic Designer - 2/01 - 3/02

Worked on almost any type of printed ephemera; annual reports, books, brochures, as well as signs and displays

Communicated with print and display vendors to research printing and fabrication methods to enhance my projects and keep costs down

Some web work, updating content and graphics to the company's and its customer's web sites

Circuit City Stores, Inc. Graphic and Store Designer - 1/00 - 2/01

Worked in a team effort to design and produce a new identity and brand for the retail chain with the development of new logos, imagery and multi-functional signage

Established overall usage guidelines for the new brand with various themes of visual presentation for individual product departments

Provided creative solutions to help sell products in a retail environment by creating visual imagery of what were often abstract or high technology terms or definitions

Professional Affiliations

Hardcore member of the Richmond Flash User group *FDUG* as well as the Richmond Adobe user Group *RAUG*