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### Education:

2007- Bachelors Degree in Graphic Design from The Art Institute of Las Vegas | Graduated Best Portfolio of Graduating Class

### Skills:

Highly conceptual, motivated, love the pressure of working in tight deadlines and team environments, great project management skills, design/layout, some writing experience, skilled in photo retouching and manipulation, and enjoy teaching others. Some technical skills include expert knowledge in Adobe Photoshop, Adobe InDesign, Adobe Illustrator, Quark Xpress. Good knowledge of coding CSS/HTML and Wordpress CMS, some PHP, Javascript and Actionscript 3.0, and proficient with Flash design/animation. Light working knowledge of motion graphics with Final Cut and After Effects. Also skilled in drawing, painting, photography and other fine arts.

### Awards/Recognition:

Multiple Addy Award winner | Quark Design Competition, Western Region National Winner | 2007 Adobe Design Achievement Awards, Semi-Finalist | 48th Annual Clio Awards, finalist as student

### Work History

#### *August 2007-January 2010 | The Fiddler Group, Annapolis | Art Director*

Conceptual work from creative briefs driven to gain the highest ROI possible. Directed projects for multiple clients in the areas of print, web and broadcast. Company kept small in-house staff but would often be required to direct subcontractors in the completion of projects.

#### *October 2006-June 2007 | ER Creative, Las Vegas | Art Director*

Design and conceptual work for new projects with a large focus on event branding, direct mail and advertisements for a variety of clients. Managed photoshoots, designed, directed some contracted workers and over saw budgets for certain projects.

#### *April 2004-April 2006 | Virgen Advertising, Las Vegas | Artist/Senior Designer*

Was a part of a majority of conceptual meetings for new business projects through the design and production of them. Company was creative and ROI driven. Worked on a large amount of their self-promo works, non-profits and generally floated around with their clients based on project needs.

#### *Various times | Freelance Designer*

Freelance work for private clients as well as both on and off-site for several agencies in Las Vegas including AMC Las Vegas (largely real estate and home development projects), Galloway Communications (Museum/Exhibit brand maintenance) and AMS Las Vegas (Direct mail marketing services).

Also acted as junior director and designer for PLAYER Magazine (National Men's Lifestyle Magazine) for 5 issues (Bimonthly magazine, 10 months). Duties with PLAYER included conceptual work for content in the magazine, managed photoshoots, typography and design for all issues and designed web materials.

### Clients I've worked with

Smithsonian Business Ventures, MGM Grand, Aid for AIDS of Nevada, The Flamingo Las Vegas, Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, Harrah's Entertainment, The Venetian, The Greene Turtle Sports Bar & Grille, BankAnnapolis, Sierra Health Nevada, Siemens, Syntel, Nevada State High School, Live Arts Maryland.

\*Please visit my website at [www.brettastico.com](http://www.brettastico.com) for samples of my work.

### References

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