

MATT WALEN

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OBJECTIVE

Ambitious graphic artist seeking a job position that will utilize my education, experience and skills in graphic arts, storyboarding or similar work.

EDUCATION & INSTRUCTION

2008: Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree – Illustration
American Academy of Art; Chicago, IL
August 2005 – May 2008

Private Art Instruction – Acrylics, Oil Painting & Life Drawing
Artventures; Ridgefield, IL
August 2003 – April 2005

APPLICABLE COURSEWORK

- *Advertising and Art
- *Traditional & Digital Illustration
- *Computer Graphics Foundations
- *Marketing
- *Vision Light & Color
- *Professional Writing
- *Editorial & Publishing Art
- *Illustration I & II, and Advanced Illustration
- *Storyboarding
- *Life Drawing for Illustrators; Life Drawing I & II
- *Creative Thinking
- *Contemporary Visual Culture

SOFTWARE EXPERIENCE

- *Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, In-Design and Acrobat (Windows and MAC)
- *Microsoft Office Suite

OTHER WORK

Freelance Storyboard Illustrations
Prevail Health Solutions; Chicago, IL
2008 – Present

Carpenter and Engineering assistant
Cortland Components; Cortland, IL
2008 – Present

Freelance Graphic Design
Cortland Components; Cortland, IL
Letter head design
2009

Freelance Graphic Art
Prevail Health Solutions; Chicago, IL
Web Page Buttons and spot illustrations
2010

Freelance Illustration
Giddy 2 Shoes; Woodstock, IL
Summer 2008

Office Assistant
Orion Anesthesia; Park Ridge, IL
2006 – 2008

Engineering Assistant
W. Kost Manufacturing; Gilberts, IL
2003 - 2005

Instructor & Assistant
Artventures; Ridgefield, IL
Summer 2004

Responsibilities included: Instructing art courses for children, assisted instructor in art courses including painting, drawing and craft making, organization and clean-up duties.