# **Patrick Saunders**

# **Experienced Freelance Graphic Designer and Customer Service Expert**

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- Bachelor of Fine Arts degree, concentration in graphic design
- · Multi-talented, deadline driven, detail oriented, hard working professional
- 12+ years of freelance graphic design experience, including corporate branding
- 15+ years of customer service skills and hands-on in-store sales insight
- Strong knowledge of Adobe Creative Suite: Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign
- Working knowledge of Microsoft Word and Excel
- Extensive Macintosh experience, comfortable with PC platform
- Analytical thinker, problem solver, ability to multi-task in an organized manner
- Outstanding interpersonal and communication skills, positive up beat attitude
- Portfolio work available online at SaundersPatrickM.com

Authorized to work in the US for any employer

# Work Experience

### Freelance Graphic Designer and Owner/Operator

Saunders Visual Communications - Cheswick, PA November 2009 to Present

- Procuring clients and assessing needs through comprehensive evaluations
- · Managing full cycle production of customized market-ready art files
- Combining creativity, speed, and accuracy to meet all project deadlines
- Day-to-day management; correspondence, billing and company finances
- Professional client experience; Walnut Grill Restaurants, Lazor Yost Marketing & Design, and Express Printing and Graphics
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#### **Assistant Manager**

Welmart BP / Anthony's Pizza and Subs - Natrona Heights, PA May 2019 to August 2022

- Assist the General Manager by overseeing all day-to-day operations
- Know, follow, and enforce all store rules, policies, and procedures
- Ensure quality food preparations and courteous guest relations
- Resolve guest concerns and complaints quickly and efficiently
- Weekly scheduling of 24hr operations, assistance with daily books
- Assist with hiring, training, discipline, and termination processes
- Weekly ordering, pricing, and margin management of beer sales
- Collaborate with vendors, ensuring timely and accurate deliveries

#### **Overnight Supervisor**

Sheetz - Creighton, PA

August 2018 to May 2019

- Hospitality representative, ensuring excellent guest relations
- Prepared quality products, consistently, promptly, and safely
- Maintained stores visual appearance and product freshness
- Trained fellow team members and other duties as assigned

### Server/Waiter and 'In-House' Freelance Graphic Designer

Walnut Grill Holdings LLC - Aspinwall, PA September 2009 to August 2017

- · Hired as Server/Waiter, Graphic Designer role achieved based on proven abilities
- Preserving Walnut Grill corporate branding, while adhering to industry guidelines
- Worked independently on an extensive variety of requested creative projects
- Start-to-finish production; menus, posters, magazine ads, brochures, direct-mail pieces, digital media ads, product labels, and an array of event and promotional materials varying in themes and seasonal motifs
- Portfolio work available online at SaundersPatrickM.com

#### Server/Waiter

Applebee's Restaurant - Tarentum, PA December 2008 to September 2009

# **Graphic Designer and Typesetter 'Holiday Temp Position'**

The Horse Trader Printing & Publishing November 2008 to December 2008

- Created advertisements used in weekly-published local paper
- Researched and created ads based on customer focused identities
- Managed advertisement inventory by delegated job codes

#### Server/Waiter

The Olive Garden Italian Restaurant - Pittsburgh, PA October 2006 to November 2008

#### **Graphic Designer (Internship)**

Giant Eagle Inc. Advertising Department - Pittsburgh, PA June 2005 to August 2005

Graphic Designer, Intern

- Collaborated in a team environment to produce creative solutions
- Adhered to corporate identity while producing creative content

### Education

#### **Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design**

Robert Morris University

May 2006

### Skills

- Photoshop
- Illustrator
- Indesign
- Microsoft Office
- · Graphic Design
- Management
- Art Direction
- Print Production
- Typography
- Adobe Creative Suite
- Branding
- Layout Design

#### Links

http://www.SaundersPatrickM.com

#### Awards

# **Media Arts Award - Robert Morris University**

January 2005

• Selected projects chosen for University Archive Collection

#### Assessments

# **Verbal communication — Expert**

April 2018

Measure a candidate's ability to effectively convey information when speaking.

Full results: Expert

# Written communication — Proficient

April 2018

Measures a candidate's ability to convey written information using proper grammar rules.

Full results: Proficient

Indeed Assessments provides skills tests that are not indicative of a license or certification, or continued development in any professional field.