

Dawn Wheat

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EDUCATION

The University of Northern Iowa, 1994-1998 / BA in Art (emphasis in painting and graphic design)

EXPERIENCE

1. Freelance Graphic Designer/Production Artist, 2004-2007 / Chicago, Illinois

- **Stevens & Tate Marketing Agency**, Clients: Real Estate, Aldi
- **MultiCom Marketing Agency**, Clients: Petsmart
- **RC2 Brands**: Thomas the Tank Engine Toys
- **Design Resource Center**, Clients: Tootsie Roll, Lowes
- **Stagnito Publishing**, Trade Magazine Publisher

2. Sanford Corporation: Graphic Designer/Production Artist, May 2005 - November 2005 / Oak Brook, Illinois

- Produced large displays for Office Depot, Staples and Office Max, according to their standards.
- Created packaging art for the following brands: Sharpie permanent markers, Uni-ball pens, PaperMate pens and pencils, Expo dry erase markers — and more.
- Designed collateral, sell sheets, catalogs, logos and many other different kinds of projects.
- Worked closely with a large team (40+) of art directors, freelance graphic designers and production artists.
- Trained all new freelancers and wrote a training manual/production guide.

3. National University of Health Sciences: Graphic Designer, March 2000 – March 2004 / Lombard, Illinois

- As the only graphic designer for the university, I designed many different kinds of projects. A few of them are: signs, logos, posters, magazines, web site graphics, brochures, flyers, advertisements, and scientific illustrations.
- Managed many projects simultaneously on strict deadlines.
- Developed strong working relationships with department directors, administration, faculty, staff and students
- Taught classes on Photoshop and Powerpoint, and gave technical support for faculty, students and staff.

ART EXHIBITS

- River Breeze Art Gallery (Aurora, IL)
- Damen Studios (Chicago, IL)
- DePaul University (Chicago, IL)
- Elmhurst Art Guild/Art Gallery (Elmhurst, IL)
- Iowa State University (Ames, IA)
- Triton College (Melrose, IL)
- National University of Health Sciences (Lombard, IL)
- Around the Coyote Art Festival (Chicago, IL)
- Harrison Works Gallery (Oak Park, IL)
- CIVA exhibit ABSTRACTION: THE POWER OF MEMORY
- University of Northern Iowa (Cedar Falls, IA).

COMPUTER SOFTWARE KNOWLEDGE

Adobe PhotoShop, Adobe Illustrator, QuarkXpress, MS Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Adobe GoLive, Adobe InDesign

MISCELLANEOUS

- Designed the DuPage Theatre Visual and Performing Art Coalition Newsletter.
- Member of DuPage Theatre Visual and Performing Art Coalition.
- Organized several art exhibits in Chicago.
- Member of CIVA, 1999-2001.
- Attended conferences for CIVA, Image Journal, International Arts Movement and the Faith & Writing Conference at Calvin College.
- Lived in Riga, Latvia for two months in 1995 and again in 2007.