John Wesley James

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Skills

Branding10 yrsStrategy10 yrsProduct Design10 yrsVisual/Graphic Design25 yrsUX & UI Design20 yrsCampaign Development20 yrsFrontend Development10 yrsBackend Development10 yrsProduct Development10 yrs

Technologies

Git 10 yrs Docker 10 yrs AWS 10 yrs LAMP Stack 15 yrs Javascript 20 yrs Node.js 05 yrs HTML 20 yrs CSS 20 yrs

Software

Adobe Photoshop 25 yrs Adobe Illustrator 25 yrs Adobe InDesign 10 yrs Adobe XD 05 yrs Figma 02 yrs InVision 02 yrs Postman 05 yrs

> Acknowledgements Design Week

Best projects from April

CSS Design Awards Special Kudos, Innovation

UI Design and UX Design

Ad Week Client Interview

How Magazine Best Consumer Websites

MCAD Course Catalog Motion Graphics

Full-time Experience

LevelAll | Director of Visual Design/Technology

Nov 2021 – July 2022

Reported to CEO and managed teams of 10–15.

I strategized, designed, developed and oversaw implementation of various products including a platform that let users build thousands of branded assets without learning guidelines, specifications, production requirements, naming conventions or the location of source files.

Devona | Creative Director

Nov 2012-Present

Founded a UX agency, managed teams of 2–20, and acquired clients including Esmail Corp., Glenstone Museum, Stoli, One Kings Lane, Baked, and Asphalt Green. I strategized, designed, developed, and oversaw implementation of various products including a custom ad serving platform that delivers more than 1m impressions per day, an online tool that allows users to create and distribute interactive investor pitches, and a global ARG. Additionally, I led UX evaluations for mobile and desktop sites and applications.

WeChi | Creative Director

Feb 2011-July 2012

Reported to CEO, managed teams of 10–15, and interacted with investors. I strategized and designed various products including a response-based social network that helped users monitor and improve the emotional impact of their relationships.

BBDO | Art Director

Aug 2009-Feb 2011

Reported to Creative Director, managed vendors, and interacted with clients. I developed creative concepts and oversaw design, development, shoots, and postproduction of digital, social, print, TV, and radio campaigns for FedEx, Snickers, and others.

Deep Focus | Senior Art Director

Oct 2007 – Aug 2009

Reported to Creative Director, managed teams of 1–5, and interacted with clients. I developed concepts, created digital campaigns, designed sites, and increased engagement for Nike, HBO, the Ad Council, Twentieth Century Fox, ESPN, Dewars and others.

R/GA | Designer

Feb 2003-Nov 2006

Reported to Creative Director, managed vendors, and interacted with clients. I designed, documented, and oversaw user testing of EPGs, mobile interfaces, websites, and other digital products for Nike, T-Mobile, Verizon Wireless, Levis, Target, and others.

Freelance Clients

JWT, Pentagram, Hill Holiday, AOL, Panasonic, the Marines, HSBC, Tiffany's, The Public Theater, Symphony Space and Sotheby's.

Education

Minneapolis College of Art and Design 1999 | Completed BFA in Graphic Design

The Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art

1998 | Studied Graphic Design