

## HELLO, I AM LAUREN.

#### **EXPERIENCED PROFESSIONAL**

Detail-oriented Senior Graphic Designer, with over 15 years of experience developing human-centered creative solutions for my clients to achieve their brand and marketing goals.

## WHAT DRIVES ME

Design and research fuels my love of learning and creativity. I enjoy using these skills to discover unique opportunities to achieve my client's goals.

#### TEAM PLAYER

I am an approachable, trustworthy and positive team player.
I enjoy working with others because everyone has
a unique perspective that can inspire.



### **EXPERIENCE**

# FREELANCE GRAPHIC DESIGNER & PHOTOGRAPHER FEBRUARY 2015 — PRESENT ELIZASTUDIOS | MINOA, NEW YORK

- Conceptualize distinctive logos, business systems, websites, brochures, and trade show signage tailored for small businesses, ensuring each design captures their unique brand essence and aligns with their business objectives.
- Managed and developed prepress production files and act as liaison between client and printer.
- Capture photographs brimming with genuine emotions, captivating expressions, and flattering poses, all accentuated by expert lighting and stunning backgrounds.
- Edit and retouch photo collections to emphasize mood and style of photo session.

# GRAPHIC DESIGNER AUGUST 2004 — FEBRUARY 2015 10 RED DESIGN, LLC | SKANEATELES, NEW YORK

- Combined shopper insights with brand retail strategies to develop targeted human-centered design solutions that increased retail traffic and drove sales.
- Developed design, mechanical and production file process that increased file preparation efficiency and improved organization of digital file assets inside the company.
- Interfaced with clients and vendors to maintain brand design intent and business objectives
- Collaborated with Creative Director, Creative Team and Account Team on large scale retail projects to maintain strategic design goals, budget and project deadlines.
- Provided art direction to designers, freelancers and interns on various project tasks and mentored them on best practices.
- Provided photography expertise and acted as in-house resource.



## **EDUCATION**

MS | Communications
Purdue University
West Lafayette, IN | May 2023

BFA | Graphic Design The College of Saint Rose Albany, NY | May 2004

## **SOFT SKILLS**

- Approachable
- Client Communication
- Collaborative
- Fast Paced Work Environment
- Detail Oriented
- Organization
- Perseverance
- Positive
- Relationship Management
- Team Leader
- Teamwork
- Time Management

## HARD SKILLS

- Branding
- Color Theory
- Composition
- Digital Marketing
- Design Theory
- Design Thinking
- Illustration

- Knowledge of Basic HTML
- Photography (Lighting, Posing, Composition)
- Print Production
- Professional Writing
- Visual Communication
- Typography
- Web Design

#### **TECH SKILLS**

- Mac OS
- Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Lightroom
- Microsoft PowerPoint, Word, Excel

## SKILL BUILDING WORKSHOPS

Wedding Photography Bootcamp Tracie Maglosky November 2017 | Danvers, MA Photography Posing Workshop Roberto Valenzuela August 2016 | NYC



## **PUBLICATIONS**

Winship, Kihm. (2014). *The Windows of St. James' Skaneateles.* Instantpublisher.com.

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Wojtalewski, L. (2018, May). Finding the Courage to Switch to M4/3. *Olympus Passion. (12). 52-65.* 

## **VOLUNTEER**

COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR
AUGUST 2023 — PRESENT
EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH | EAST SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

- Designed, developed and manage Emmanuel's website
- Manage social media accounts and develop monthly content to drive engagement
- Collaborate with Priest-In-Charge and Vestry on fundraising events and develop advertising and marketing plans for each event
- Design marketing materials for Emmanuel's events including brochures, website design, social media posts, flyers, and signs.



#### **GET IN CONTACT**

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