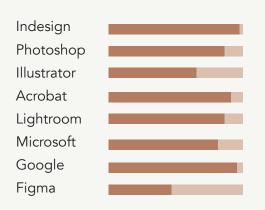
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## **TRAITS**

- Excellent communication skills
- Passionate and driven
- Able to work effectively on tight deadlines
- Presentation and interpersonal skills
- Eager and open to learning new skills
- Strong time management
- Embraces feedback and criticism
- Team focused
- High emotional intelligence

#### **EDUCATION**

DESIGN AND GRAPHIC TECHNOLOGY DEGREE Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, Green Bay, WI

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## BEST VERSION MEDIA Senior Designer

Sep 2024 - Current

- Promoted from Graphic Designer to Senior Designer, **leading a** team of graphic designers.
- Design magazine layouts while **providing daily guidance on design projects** and software support.
- Conduct annual reviews, mentor team members.
- Collaborate with management teams for digital and print ad marketing projects.
- Contribute to Al-driven initiatives and support company-wide management efforts.
- **Ensure seamless coordination** across departments to meet project standards and deadlines.

## BEST VERSION MEDIA Graphic Designer

May 2020 - Sep 2024 (promoted)

- **Collaborate and strategize** with clients and publishers to create appealing and successful printed ads.
- **Innovate and perfect a personalized briefing system** to streamline information gathering for monthly magazines.
- **Design visually appealing layouts**, incorporating graphics, written content, and advertisements.
- **Utilize color theory, typography, and layout design** for entire magazines, from the logo and cover to all pages.
- Demonstrate ability to manage tight deadlines and multiple projects, ensuring timely delivery of high-quality magazines.
- **Develop and refine printed and digital ads** for individual clients and large corporations, aligning with the distinctive style and standards of each publication.

# SD WHEEL (FITMENT INDUSTRIES/CUSTOM OFFSETS) Graphic Designer Jan 2021 - Aug 2021

- Led rebranding of email marketing across five brands, resulting in a 60% revenue growth and a 300% increase in Click Through Rate (CTR) within 90 days.
- Produced an average of 30 email templates per week,
   maintaining high quality and quantity in design output.
- **Re-structured approval processes**, improving design capabilities and team workflow.
- Mentored new designers, improving their skills in graphic software and encouraging exploration of new design trends.
- Worked closely with copywriters and email marketing team to ensure successful execution of each email campaign.
- Monitored campaign analytics to ensure goals were met, and implemented strategic updates based on performance insights.
- **Directed and executed photo shoots**, capturing and editing images to ensure high-quality production.
- Dedicated weekly time to researching marketing and design trends, applying innovative practices to projects.

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#### **REFERENCES**

#### Rachel Bertsch

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### **EXPERIENCE CONT.**

## BEST VERSION MEDIA Graphic Design Internship

Jan 2020 - May 2020 (promoted)

- Communicated professionally and often with clients over email or phone.
- Worked one-on-one with clients during the entire proofing process.
- Created and revised printed ads for individuals and large companies to be used in all Best Version Media magazines.
- Maintained and met deadlines in a prompt manner.
- Worked heavily in InDesign and Photoshop.
- Successfully worked 20 hours a week while in school full time and managed a second job in addition to my internship.

## FREELANCE Graphic Designer

2020 - Death

- Collaborate with clients as a freelance graphic designer to deliver custom design solutions
- Developed branding packages, logos, business cards, clothing designs, and social media graphics
- Focused on a client-centered approach to bring their vision to life
- Aimed to tell each client's unique story through design