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Profile

Creative marketing executive with 20+ years driving award-winning campaigns for top studios and streamers. Expert in audience growth, brand impact, and team leadership through bold strategy and storytelling.

Work History

07/2014 - present Los Angeles, CA

Entertainment Marketing Consultant/Creative Director/Strategist Self Employed

- Collaborated with clients to enhance brand visibility and engagement.
- Developed 360° campaigns to maximize audience reach and impact.
- Wrote and produced theatrical trailers, TV spots, digital content, and long-form programming to capture audience attention.
- Explore the expansion of AI tools to support creative ideation, personalization, and performance optimization in creative marketing campaigns.

10/2021 - 12/2022 Los Angeles, CA

Creative director Amazon Freevee

- Drove creative direction to engage audiences.
- Partnered with stakeholders on creative marketing materials across all platforms.
- Turned marketing insights into targeted creative campaigns.
- Leveraged modern tools such as Slack, ZOOM, and Asana to manage workflows and cross-team collaboration.
- · Interfaced with vendors to oversee creation of materials.

02/2019 - 04/2020 Los Angeles, CA

Executive Creative Director Eclipse Advertising

- Created advertising and brand content for global theatrical releases and streaming.
- Provided marketing strategies to clients, assisting them to target audiences.
- Recruited and managed a diverse team of freelance talent.
- Fostered a cooperative environment, encouraging to innovate and share ideas.

01/2018 - 08/2018 Los Angeles, CA

EVP, Worldwide Creative Marketing Global Road Entertainment

- Generated and executed comprehensive marketing strategies for theatrical releases.
- Directed 360° campaigns, ensuring a uniform presence across all platforms.
- Supervised photo shoots aligned with campaign objectives.
- Managed executive and filmmaker relations to ensure effective communication.
- Built and led an inclusive creative marketing team.

02/2008 - 07/2014 Santa Monica, CA

EVP/SVP, Creative Marketing Summit Entertainment LLC-Lionsgate

- Led a team of 15+ to design and execute a global creative marketing campaign for The Twilight Franchise, resulting in a 100% increase in audience engagement and over \$3.3 billion in BO sales worldwide.
- Provided direction and strategy for creative content, increasing audience engagement metrics year-over-year.

Work History

- Managed creative award campaigns, such as The Hurt Locker, resulting in 6
 Academy Awards.
- Produced Summit's Comic Con presentations.
- Built and directed a creative marketing team, encouraging innovative ideas.

04/2002 - 02/2008 Los Angeles, CA

Creative Director Ant Farm LLC

- Co-supervised a team of writers, graphic designers, & 39 editors to create engaging content.
- Led the execution of creative advertising materials, aligning with clients' goals.
- Fostered strong collaboration within the team to streamline the creative process.
- Mentored junior team members, helping them grow into more effective contributors.

08/1999 - 04/2002 Culver City, CA

VP, Creative Advertising Sony Pictures Entertainment

- Guided creation of print and audiovisual campaigns for theatrical films.
- Teamed up with creative vendors to produce materials to effectively engage audiences.
- Analyzed campaign performance data to boost audience influence and engagement metrics.
- Produced the Sony ShoWest Reel.

04/1998 - 08/1999 Los Angeles, CA

VP, Creative Advertising New Line Cinema Corporation

- Originated AV campaigns for theatrical releases.
- Led the in-house agency in producing award-winning content, reducing New Line's vendor fees.
- Partnered with cross-functional teams, to streamline processes and enrich the efficiency of campaign rollouts.
- Oversaw the creative direction of projects, which enhanced the emotional impact of our films' marketing materials.

Education

Philadelphia, PA

Television-Film | Bachelor of Arts Temple University

Graduated Magna Cum Laude. Completed specialized coursework in TV and Film Production, Communications and Philosophy.

UCLA EXTENSION

- Social Media Marketing
- Advanced Rewriting: Screenwriting

Accomplishments

- Numerous Key Art, BPME, CLIO, Golden Trailer Awards and local Emmys.
- London International Advertising Award, Television/Cinema Winner Movie Trailers.
- FINALIST, in the 2016 New York Screenplay Contest.

Skills

Creative Marketing Strategy	Theatrical & Streaming Marketing	360° Campaign Development	Trailer & TV Spot Production
Key Art & Print Campaigns	Audience Engagement	Brand Storytelling	Immersive Content Creation
Creative Direction	Entertainment Marketing	Streaming Platforms	Studio & Filmmaker Collaboration
Award Campaign Strategy	Cross-Functional Team Leadership	Vendor & Stakeholder Management	Script-to-Screen Advertising
Short-form & Long-form Content Development	Social Media Marketing	Campaign Performance Analysis	OTT Marketing Strategy
Content Strategy & Development	Talent Recruitment & Team Building	Post-Production Oversight	Budget & Resource Management
Final Cut Pro 11	Adobe Creative Suite		

Hobbies



Creating YouTube travel videos



Reading the latest novel



Developing innovative digital marketing strategies through emerging social media trends



Writing Screenplays



Experimenting with the latest AI software