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My extensive prepress experience has entailed design functions at every stop. Preflighting, imposition, color management - solving workflow-related problems, such as on-the-fly layout changes, making last-minute client “enhancements”, or creating various “alterations” from scratch - there’s a production synergy that can be exercised via this design/prepress background. Possessing a designer’s viewpoint, I am well-versed in how other designers may have built their files, which provides the ability to quickly fix design to production problems. Plus, I am able to diplomatically educate clients (and/or designers) in the realities of prepress and production. Multi-layered problem-solving is key ...

I am able to meet deadlines, be part of a team, coordinate projects, respond to changing needs, react favorably to negative situations, plus offer alternatives and solutions ...

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Print Depot

(PALM BAY, FL)

FEBRUARY 2019 > PRESENT

Prepress Operator / Graphic Design (part-time remote)

- Prepress operations and production art provided for this digital shop featuring corporate/small business/municipal office support
- Consulting with clients regarding expansions of their message through conventions, in-person events & pro bono efforts
- Variable data/bulk mail, banners, cut vinyl, t-shirts & embroidery

D&K Printing

(BOULDER, CO)

JANUARY 2017 > JANUARY 2019

Prepress Operator / Graphic Design

- Prepress & color digital production (Konica-Minolta C1085) provided for this commercial offset shop (Heidelberg, Komori & Hamada) via Fuji’s XMF workflow
- D&K also features in-house bindery services (die-cutting, foil, folding/stitching, perfect bind & specialty tab insertions)
- Organizational skills include vendor contact, material inventory control and scheduling of jobs & maintenance

All-American Forms

(DENVER, CO)

AUGUST 2014 > OCTOBER 2016

Prepress Manager / Graphic Design

- Prepress & graphic design for this offset & digital shop
- Multi-part business forms, checklists, corporate ID packages, financial newsletters & restaurant menus, MICR banking deposit slip/check production

Roberts Printing

(CLEARWATER, FL)

FEBRUARY 2008 > NOVEMBER 2009

Prepress Operator

- Pre-flighting, variable-data formatting (for HP Indigo) at this commercial offset printing company
- ApogeeX workflow (Preps > templates)
- Agfa Galileo & Kodak Magnus CTP output

Flying Dutchman Productions

(FLORIDA & COLORADO)

OCTOBER 1996 > PRESENT

Sole Proprietor

- Providing page layout & design, prepress functions, marketing materials & production art for myriad (self-sourced) clients
- Graphic Design, Layout, Copywriting, Proofreading, Consulting

SKILLS

- Adobe CC subscriber (InDesign, Acrobat, Photoshop, Illustrator)
- Microsoft 365 (Excel, Powerpoint); On1 (Raw, Resize AI); Splashtop Business Remote
- Editable PDF’s; variable data/USPS interplay (lists, barcodes, etc)
- Color correction (LAB_based); photo alterations/silhouetting; etc.
- Extensive working knowledge of pre-flighting, imposition & composition, color profile conversions, proof & press solutions

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