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EDUCATION

BFA FASHION DESIGN
Otis College of Art & Design
Los Angeles, CA

Deans List 2006-2010
Graduated May 2010 with honors

Designed and created key looks
under the direction of industry
professionals called “mentors”

Mentorships included:

- Swimwear for Ed Hardy
- Anthropologie
- Koi Suwannagate
- Patagonia x Isabel Toledo

REFERENCE AVAILABLE
UPON REQUEST

COURTNEY CHIANG

EXPERIENCE

SENIOR DESIGNER, TOPSON DOWNS / *Culver City, CA* / *Jan 2015 - June 2020*

- Reported directly to Contemporary Creative Director and managed multiple private label & Target accounts including Christian Siriano, RACHEL Rachel Roy, Ava&Viv, Isabel Maternity, Universal Thread, and West Loop
- Designed and developed original garments
 - Assembled trend analysis and mood boards
 - Fabric and trim research and development
 - Corresponded with overseas factories on daily basis
 - Traveled to China to oversee 1st proto fittings and execution of final samples
- Oversaw the entire design process from initial design through production
 - Approved lab dips, strike offs, bulk fabrics/trims
 - Attended production fittings to ensure correct expression of fit
- Assisted with special projects/presentations by creating mood boards and illustrations
- Styled and ran photoshoots

FREELANCE DESIGNER, JUSTIN ALEXANDER / *NJ* / *Mar 2019 - Present*

- Design original bridal gowns for Justin Alexander and Lillian West collections
 - Create concept/mood board for the season
 - Provide detailed illustrations for each gown along with lace/beading inspiration

DESIGNER, HONEY PUNCH / *Los Angeles, CA* / *Feb 2014 - Dec 2014*

- Designed and developed garments
 - Hand sketched
 - Worked with in-house pattern makers and sewers to execute samples
 - Sourced fabrics/prints from local vendors
 - Fabric and trim research/development
 - Designed original embroideries

ASSOCIATE DESIGNER, JOHNNY WAS / *Los Angeles, CA* / *June 2012 - Jan 2014*

- Created original embroideries and embellishments
- Reported directly to creative director to facilitate the design process from start to finish
- Assisted with photoshoot styling and create lookbook layouts
- Sketched flats for all linesheets
- Worked with overseas factories throughout the development process
 - Fabric, trim, and print development
 - Lab dip and strike off approvals
 - Oversaw the sampling process

FREELANCE DESIGNER & ILLUSTRATOR / *Various locations* / *2010 - present*

Provided illustration/design services throughout my career for various clients including:

- Levi Strauss
- Barbara Tfank
- Sunrise Brands
- Bridal Elegance
- Stony Apparel
- Roma Costume
- Justin Alexander

SKILLS

- Fashion Design Sketching and Illustration
- Fashion Flats (Hand and AI)
- Creating Mood Boards
- Trim and Fabric Development
- Sewing and Draping
- Basic Pattern Drafting
- Microsoft Word, Powerpoint, and Excel
- Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, InDesign
- Web PLM
- Apparel Fitting
- Product Development