

GRACE LAROSA

communication design

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SKILLS & SOFTWARE

Mac and PC
Microsoft Office
Adobe Creative Suite
AfterEffects, Flash
Digital Imaging and Retouching
Pre-Press Production
Basic XHTML/CSS, Javascript
Film and Darkroom
Sketching and Storyboarding
Letterpress and Bookbinding

ACTIVITIES

Student Activities Board (AB)
AIGA (member '08-'10)

HONORS

Oakland Review Featured Artist '10
Student Employee Award '09
Kirk & Murdock Scholarship
Dean's List

EDUCATION

carnegie mellon university | Pittsburgh, PA | May 2011 | GPA 3.6
B.F.A. Communication Design, Minor in Business Administration

WORK EXPERIENCE

teaching assistant: publishing on the www | Pittsburgh, PA | Spring 2011
Carnegie Mellon, 70-643, Prof. Tony Stanton
Helped aid and mentor students in a weekly lab environment, providing assistance with Creative Suite and teaching basic design principles for the web. The end goal was to provide students with enough knowledge to build attractive, coherent, and usable interfaces.

anthropologie | Pittsburgh, PA | July-August 2010
Exhibit/Display Design Intern
Assisted and collaborated with a visual team to conceptualize, construct, and install numerous intricate store displays, creating unique retail environments from unconventional and reclaimed materials.

bearded studio | Pittsburgh, PA | May-August 2010
Design Intern
The wonderful opportunity to work with an incredibly talented, diverse, and creative group of designers and programmers all under one roof, assisting with various client projects, creating website mockups and print pieces, and user-testing various applications mid-development.

carnegie mellon university press | Pittsburgh, PA | Sept. 2010-present
Book Designer
Design book covers for poetry and prose, facilitate fitting design solutions while working closely with writers, prepare documents for the press, and rediscover some amazing works of out-of-print literature and give them a second life.

visual research, inc. | Richmond, VA | Summer 2009
Information and Web Designer
Collaborated with a team to research and map the scientific factors contributing to global temperature rise across time. Served as chief designer of an interactive, educational web platform presenting the team's data findings in a straightforward, accessible, and visually stimulating manner.

freelance design & photography | Everywhere | 2005-present
Diverse scope of design and photography work for individual clients, ranging from senior portraits to music packaging, pixels to posters, identity development to event promotion.

***References available on request.**