Robert John Creative Lead

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As a Lead Creative, the design approach taken revolves around a profound understanding of storytelling intricacies. Seamlessly integrating details, comprehensive solutions are shaped to create a memorable emotional impact on brands and projects.

Graphic Design/Creative Direction/Branding and Identity/Art Direction/Team Leadership/Project Management Live Events/Digital Marketing/Client Communication/B2B/B2C/Email/Marketing/Social Media/FMCG

October 2022 - present Creative Lead/Director Poseidon Digital

Developed and created the pitch presentation assets which secured millions of dollars funding for the next phase of the startup.

Leveraging data-driven insights, visual branding strategies implemented across diverse immersive 360 experiences have captivated over 500,000 visitors to shows played across 1000s of venues in the United States helping to generate huge revenue.

- Lead an agile in-house and freelance design team
- Implement creative strategy and branding to deliver success
- Create brand guidelines for a tech startup, boosting brand consistency by 30% across marketing and website.
- Establish strategies and analyze trends to increase ROAS
- Approve and driect video and static ads which helped increase ROAS to over 200%
- Art direct print material and merchandise teams
- Conducted training for new hires, enhancing their skills and knowledge, leading to a 25% efficiency improvement.

August 2022 - October 2022 (contract role) Creative Lead/Strategist

- Produced presentations and decks to win new clients
- Delievered creative direction oversight leading to sales
- Formulated strategies and trend analysis to formulate working plans for increased efficiency.

April 2022 - August 2022 (contract role) Design Director Mozzington

Delivered creative direction for the latest Ofcom annual report with a reduced team to generate more profit for the company, refreshing the visual branding with a new and bold identity that reflected the organization's new roles and reached millions of people across the UK.

- Directed and mentored a team of 3 in-house designers and 3 freelance designers; collaborated on 20+ successful projects, resulting in a 30% increase in client satisfaction and a 15% boost in repeat business.
- Conducted winning client pitches generating new business
- Implemented clear creative direction leading to client satisfication increase by 20%
- Developed branding elements and style guides
- Business strategies and trends with marketing teams to increase sales for clients

Skills

Visualization

Brainstorming

Creative strategy & planning

Brand strategy

Leadership

Project oversight

Pitching & presenting

Adobe Creative Suite

Illustrations

High level Photoshop

Video production

Art direction

Stained glass artist

Photography

HTML 5 Banners

Responsive Banners

Achievements

Webby Award official nominee

Published artist & author

Feature artist in five exhibitions

Public speaking for charities

Work has featured in:

Timeout

Daily Mail

BBC Radio Robert Elm interview

Practical Photoshop

6Music

Big Issue

Culture Trip

Foyles

Waterstones

Libreria

Blackwells

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April 2018 - April 2022 Lead Designer BBC Studios, Branding & Merch

Revamped the CountryFile and Gardeners' World brands, captivating millions worldwide and saving the company over £25,000 by winning the opportunity to redesign in-house.

Designed a 360 campaign and curated an immersive Hey Duggee Exhibition at the Design Museum, drawing 1000s of visitors and generating £1000s of PR coverage value.

- Merchandise design and product development
- Produced distinctive iconics for prominent brands
- Execute a 360 campaigns across print, live events, and online platforms
- Provided branding, design, and strategic initiatives
- Managed projects, schedules, and budgets
- Presentation decks
- Crafted product packaging designs

March 2014 - April 2018 Creative Lead BBC Worldwide Live Events

The Doctor Who Live Event design captivated millions worldwide and attracted thousands of visitors, generating a massive amount of PR and saving over £10,000 by managing and completing the project in-house.

The Sherlock Cinematic campaign earned almost £40,000,000 in revenue, garnered widespread acclaim, and deployed across the UK, US, and EMEA regions, creating a significant impact on PR.

- Lead Conceptualizimg and brainstorming
- Designed event signage and displays
- Created event posters
- Visualised immersive experiences
- Developed and strategize branding initiatives
- Project oversight
- Pitched and delivered presentations

March 2004 - April 2014 Senior Designer Zentertain

Crafted a brand aesthetic and tone for the sensational Luther TV series packaging, featuring the incomparable Idris Elba.

Developed several top merchandise branding guides saving the company well over £20,000 regularly.

- Designed key art for DVD and Blu-ray releases
- Art directed on/off site photo shoots
- Lead and trained teams with expertise and enthusiasm
- Conducted interviews and providing support to new team members

July 1999 - March 2004 Graphic Designer - VCI Plc

May 1998 - July 1999 Junior Designer - Town Group Creative

Software

Aobe Photoshop

Adobe Illustrator

Adobe InDesign

Adobe After Effects

Adobe Acrobat DC

Media Encoder

Google Web Designer

Wordpress

Cpanel

Clip Studio

Adobe XD

Figma

Keynote

Microsoft Word

Microsoft PowerPoint

Google Drive

Google Slides

Adobe Express

Canva

ChatGPT

Al Images

Slack

Trello

Education

BA Honours Graphic Design

Other key roles

Published author & artist

Curator & exhibited artist

Workshops & public speaking