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Education

Rochester Institute of Technology Rochester, NY BFA, Industrial Design

Skills

Tech Pack Materials and process Managing production Drafting patterns Single needle Walking foot Four thread serger Five thread serger Cover stitch Prototyping Illustrator In-Design Pattern Pro Sketchbook Pro SolidWorks Fusion 360 Procreate illustrations Sketching

Significant experienced designing and manufacturing a diverse collection of soft-goods, from high-performance technical bags to custom fit and one of a kind luxury items. Passionate about building up and adding to creative teams, with a proven record of managing an efficient production line.

Work History

RATIO - Design Assistant Manhattan, NY, January 2023- Current

Established in 2018 by Shenghao Li. The brand focuses on fine leather goods, referencing vintage styles with the clean-lined utility of modern life. Luxury purses, clutches, bags, and accessories are made from the finest Italian leather.

- Collaborating daily with Shenghao Li founder and designer.
- Sourcing buckles, hard wear, fabric, and embroidery.
- Managing sample runs and prototypes, in leather and soft goods.
- Creating Material Prep, Tec-Packs, and BOM sheets for design and manufacturing.
- Technical sketching and CADs rendering with illustrator, Indesign, and photoshop.

Decode MFG - Production Manager Brooklyn, NY, Oct. 2021 - Present

A zero-waste apparel designer and manufacturer that specializes in eliminating garment waste through smart pattern engineering. Focused on high-quality craftsmanship, with innovation and sustainability at its core.

- Managed our creative team of five responsible for in-house cutting, manufacturing and fulfillment.
- Collaborated with the head designer, and coordinated design execution. Responsible for Inventory management, and scheduling production runs.
- Edited and updated the core Decode patterns, and oversaw production quality and order fulfillment.
- Expert in the use of multiple industrial sewing machines and technics, including the Juki four and five thread Overlock Serger and Coverstich, as well as the Juki Walking Foot Heavy-Duty Single Needle machines, among others.

Three Looms - Sales and Design Assistant Brooklyn, NY, June 2016 - Present

Assist the owner representing traditional, limited-run Japanese fabric mills to fashion designers, primarily in New York and Los Angeles.

- Design and produce small-batch accessories and samples used to showcase fabric.
- Assist in the production of unique, client-centric fabrics with New Era, Todd Snyder, Soludos, and Ralph Lauren, among others.
- Research vintage fabrics, and cut and display fabric samples.

Portabrace - Design and Production Manager Bennington, VT, Jan. 2019 - May 2021

Custom bag and case design and manufacturing company, with a focus on producing high-performance cases, bags, and equipment covers built to withstand the harshest field-conditions on the planet.

- Worked directly under the head designer, lead the four-person production team through the development and production of the Portabrace high-performance bag collection.
- Drafted and built patterns for equipment-specific bags with Pattern Pro and other CAD programs, and created Material Prep, and Tec-Packs for manufacturing.
- Operated industrial sewing machines and assisted in manufacturing.