Monica Maccaux

Designer/Art Director, Type Designer

I am a highly versatile creator, maker, doer, educator, and type designer. I design branding systems, implement campaigns, create academic programs, and design typefaces. I have over 20 years of design industry experience working for large agencies on fortune 500 client projects. I have experience in pharma, luxury hotel & casino, beauty, and sport industries working on branding, direct mail, packaging, apparel, and ad campaigns.

Blue Taco Design

Designer/Art Director 2010-present

Pharma clients: Glue Advertising (Meda), Copy + Art (Janssen). Presentation materials, teaching guides, infographics, animated banners, web, presentations, collateral, storyboards, new biz pitches.

Other clients: Donner Lake Open Water Swim/Colavita: branding, apparel, events, signage, social media. Harvard Westlake School: branding, brochures, direct mail. Radarworks (Race for the Cure): advertising (outdoor, print), new biz pitches. Sonnyboy Studios (Cuccio Pro): beauty branding, packaging, advertising. Evite/Postmark: invitations, web production.

SK+G Las Vegas, NV

Graphic Designer 2008-2010

Design Firm. Branding, advertising (print, outdoor), collateral (special printing processes), packaging (VIP invitations), direct mail (postcards, mailers, invitations, DJ flyers). Clients: The Borgata Hotel & Casino, The Water Club, The Mandarin Oriental Las Vegas, Aria Hotel & Resort, and Meadows bank.

Cline, Davis & Mann New York, NY

Art Director 2007-2008

Pharmaceutical advertising, Managed Markets. Teaching guides, collateral, brochures. Clients: Amgen, Novo Nordisk, and Pfizer.

mcgarrybowen/dentsu New York, NY

Graphic Designer 2004-2007

Advertising (outdoor, print, tv), new biz pitches, print production (print magazine, outdoor). Clients: Verizon, Marriott, Chase, Crayola, and InBev.

Teaching

University of Nevada, Reno

Associate Professor/Director of the Graphic Design Program 2023-present Assistant Professor/Director of the Graphic Design Program 2017-2023

Created a BFA Graphic Design program from scratch. Created 15 pieces of curriculum, manage the program, budgets, staff. Mentor and advisor of 200+ students a year.

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Publications & Awards

Visiting Assistant Professor 2014-2017

Part Time Adjunct Professor January-May 2014

Formulated syllabi and curriculum for various GRC courses. Faculty Advisor for AIGA UNLV student group. Interim Coordinator & Accreditation Liaison for Graphic Design program Fall 2016-2017.

Yearbook of Type 2022 Ranchstyle typeface featured in worldwide publication produced by Slanted, A Karlsruhe, German publisher.

Alan Bible Teaching Award 2021 Runner Up Nominated for highly competitive teaching award in the College of Liberal Arts.

Yearbook of Type 2021 Motorix typeface featured in worldwide publication produced by Slanted, A Karlsruhe, German publisher.

German Design Award 2020 Colavita Cycling Kit & Motorix typeface, featured in online gallery, in Angewandte Kunst/Museum of Applied Arts, Frankfurt, Germany, and in winners publication.

Work

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Contact

bluetacodesign@gmail.com

Skills

Adobe AI, INDD, PS, Acrobat. Fontlab Studio, Glyphs.

Mentoring, creating, implementing.

Publications & Awards cont'd

Creative Quarterly 2019 Colavita Cycling Kit shown in publication. Quarterly publication showcasing the best of Graphic Design, Illustration, Photography, and Fine Art in the field. https://www.cqjournal.com/magazines/54

Indigo Design Awards, Silver & Bronze Award 2019 Colavita Cycling Kit, Silver Illustration Division, Bronze Package Design Division https://www.indigoawards.com/winners/1068

A'Design Awards Iron Award 2018 Typeface 'Motorix', Gala & Exhibition in Lake Como, Italy, and Publication, A'Design Awards https://competition.adesignaward.com/design.

php?ID=59656

Graphis Gold Award 2018 Typeface 'Motorix', Typeface Design Division, Graphis Typography 4 Publication, *Graphis http://www.graphis.com/entry/bdb8c7bc-1485-4333-8ae4-ca137176c80f/*

Graphis Merit Award 2018 Typeface 'Motorix', Type-in-use Division, Graphis Typography 4 Publication, *Graphis http://www.graphis.com/entry/20dfdfc1-3f5e-4012-9614-7d09462c185d/*\

Creative Quarterly Runner-up Award 2017 Cycling Jersey for Team Juice Bar, online gallery, *Creative Quarterly 50*

Type Design

Ampersand Type Foundry 2023-present

Type foundry featuring quirky typefaces designed by me https://www.ampersandtype.com/

Featured Typefaces

'Sforza' (released Fall 2023) Typeface based off of type found in the Sforza Castle in Milan, Italy. Published on Ampersand Type Foundry: https://www.ampersandtype.com/sforza

'String Theory' (released Fall 2023) Typeface based on string and layering. Multiple weights. Published on Ampersand Type Foundry: https://www.ampersandtype.com/string-theory

'Ranchstyle' (released Summer 2021) Typeface based off of 19th Century cattle brands from the state of Nevada. Published on PSY/OPS Type Foundry: www.psyops.com/ranchstyle/

'Motorix' (released Summer 2015) Typeface that uses multiple variants to create unlimited character combinations. Published on PSY/OPS Type Foundry: www.psyops.com/motorix/

Education

Otis College of Art & Design Los Angeles CA MFA Graphic Design 2012 Otis Scholarship 2010-2012

Pratt Institute Brooklyn NY
BFA Communications Design 2004
Major: Graphic Design Minor: Art History

Dean's List, Presidential Merit Scholarship: 2000-2004, Graduated with honors

Membership

AIGA, (American Institute of Graphic Artists), SOTA (Society of Typographic Aficionados), ATypl (Association Typographique Internationale), STA (the Society of Typographic Arts).