# MARIA

SENIOR DESIGNER

### CONTACT

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Denver, CO

# **EXPERIENCE**

2021-Present

**AAPC** Associate Creative Director | Senior Designer

Remote

- Led design for the B2B side of AAPC, including management of **Junior Designers**
- Focus on: digital marketing collateral, videos, presentations, digital ads, social pushes, videos
- Worked with a cross-disciplinary team which included: Project Managers, Developers, Business Analysts, Marketing Managers, Sales, and Junior Designers
- Maintained brand standards including rebranding all print and digital collateral

2018-2021

University of Colorado, Boulder Visual Designer

Boulder, CO

- Led brainstorms and concept development on pitches and projects
- Created comps in Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign
- Created UI/IX prototypes in PS and Sketch
- Participated in user testing studies
- · Collaborated with UX, Dev, PM, and Student teams
- Worked directly with Devs to fine-tune final designs
- Mentored student designers on best practices
- Created infographics from complex data
- · Created marketing materials in web and print for programs and new launches
- Maintained brand standards and accessibility guidelines

2014-Present

**DesignWicz** Freelance Creative Director and Marketing Manager

Denver, CO

- Served as a creative and brand director for a variety of companies and institutions
- Short and long-term contracts
- · Led design teams consisting of Junior Designers, developers, marketing department members, and C-level employees
- Created branding packages including: complete brand guidelines (logo, colors, typography, etc.), and marketing materials (email, social, landing pages, etc.).

# 2017-2022

# Front Range Community College Adjunct Instructor (Part-time)

Westminster, CO

- Creation of curriculum for multimedia and graphic design courses at the college-level
- Classes taught include: Graphic Design I, Graphic Design II, Illustrator I, Photoshop I, InDesign I, and Business for Creatives (Portfolio Seminar).
- CTE credentialed

#### 2016-2018

# **Breakthrough Broker** Lead Designer and Brand Manager

Denver, CO

- Led teams of Junior Designers, developers, content creators, project managers, and C-level employees
- Created all marketing materials and in-house collateral for a B2B company
- Created all ad concepts for all social platforms and email marketing
- · Design of all report documents

## **EDUCATION**

2015-2017 University of Massachusetts, Lowell Graphic Design and Digital Imaging

Mass. • Post-Undergraduate Certificate

2008-2009 **Rowan University** Psychology

New Jersey • Masters of Arts

2004-2008 **Stockton University** Psychology

New Jersey • Bachelor of Arts

#### **MEMBERSHIPS**

 CU Boulder Staff Council (2020– 2021)

MGD Advisory Board (2018–2022)

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