BRIE ALSBURY

Illustrator. Graphic artist. technical nerd.

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what I know best.

Problem solving through creativity - When approaching projects my first priority is our customers and communicating with them effectively without losing site of the bigger picture. Working in education my entire career I realize that we need to make the most of our budget, while still getting the message across and sometimes that requires creative problem solving.

software & skills.
Photoshop
Illustrator
Indesign
Quark Xpress
Final Cut
HTML
CSS
Javascript
Word Press

experience.

Freelance
1997- Current   Design/Illustration/Consultation

Provide specialized publication illustrations as well as web graphics. Collaborate with individual and small business clients to provide web design with a focus on interesting and innovative design, end user usability, and content management. Consult on the use of social media for advertising and brand recognition.

- Illustrations published in two books by Dr. Kristine Larsen
- Illustrations supplied for http://www.colinandbradshow.com/
- Provide logo design services for several small businesses
- Custom built Photoshop brushes featured in several magazines

University of Nebraska Omaha
Omaha, NE 2007- Current   Web Content Manager and Communications Specialist

Developed a light brand for customer services training and marketing materials; making communication from customer service easily recognizable. Managed the department website and knowledgebase as well as external communication with the campus community

- Designed marketing material for Division of Continuing Studies Offutt Program for use in Omaha World Herald campaign and on the web.
- Manage all print publications for the Help Desk serving over 18K users.
- Co-chair of communications team - Team lead or team member in several projects impacting entire user population.

Metropolitan Community College-Longview
Lee's Summit, MO 1998-2007   Senior Computer Lab Technician

In addition to various technical duties related to managing a Macintosh lab environment specialized in the use and support on various graphics programs such as the Adobe Creative suite, Quark Express and Final Cut. Developed marketing materials for many of the design classes taught in the labs.

interests etc.
Working as both an artist and a tech person I find myself really interested with how people interact with technology and the flow of information. I'm always on the look out for new technology and new techniques that I can use to communicate with other people.

In my spare time I curate nerd art on tumblr and herd basset hounds.

education.

University of Nebraska Omaha / Metropolitan Community College - Omaha
Bachelor of Studio Arts with concentration in Independent Game Development, Currently in progress planned graduation date May 2014.

MCC-Longview Lee's Summit, MO
Associate of Art Degree, May 2004

references.
Available on request.