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Enrolled in 3 year accredited Interior Design program at St. Clair College, currently in final year.

Interning with Helena Ventrella Design Limited.

Won student design competition for Caesar's Windsor Casino Hotel Suite, December 2013. Design "Suite Blu" to be implemented in 2014.

20 years of professional work experience in Ontario, Bermuda and Grand Cayman.

Most experience is in a busy office setting, meeting with corporate clients, creating graphic design for branding, advertising and books.

Also experienced in illustration, fashion retail, tailoring, industrial sewing, residential cleaning, elderly care, auto manufacturing and swimming instruction.

Enjoys working with all kinds of people - collaborating as part of a team and serving the public.

reliable	energetic
detail oriented	adaptable
creative	motivated
personable	positive
organized	calm
resourceful	no-nonsense
computer literate	professional

Experience

June 2014 - Present
Intern - Interior Design
Helena Ventrella Design Limited
www.helenaventrella.com

Organize and update sample library;
Archive completed jobs;
Attend meetings with clients for the purpose of taking minutes and measurements;
Assist with purchasing, sample boards and CAD plans;
Provide custom sewing and graphic design as required.

June 2008 - June 2011
Senior Graphic Designer
AAC Saatchi & Saatchi, Hamilton, Bermuda
www.aac.bm

Conceptualize, design and print international advertising materials in a fast-paced marketing agency;
Meet with clients, determine their requirements, present concepts and final solutions;
Produce annual reports, advertising campaigns, brochures and graphics for websites.

2 previous similar positions in Bermuda

October 1993 - December 1997
Art Director, Book Designer
Nelson Canada, Scarborough, Ontario
www.nelson.com

Create designs for 30+ textbooks per year.
Lead a creative team of 6 in-house designers;
Contract freelance designers, illustrators and photographers;

Noteworthy

Proficient in computer programs: Auto CAD, SketchUp, Microsoft Office, Adobe Photoshop, Indesign, Illustrator, Acrobat

Leadership experience

Excellent oral and written communication

Excellent research skills

Valid Ontario drivers license, owns a 2012 Fiat

Owns Airstream trailer, will travel for opportunity

Education

September 2012 - April 2015
St. Clair College, Windsor, Ontario
Interior Design – 3 year diploma with 4.0 Average
AutoCAD, SketchUp, manual drafting, rendering, space planning, art history and math.

September 1989 - April 1992
Sheridan College, Brampton, Ontario
Illustration and Design – 3 year diploma with Honors
Typography, design, drawing, painting, conceptual thinking.

September 1988 - April 1989
Sheridan College, Oakville, Ontario
Art Fundamentals – 1 year certificate
Graphic arts, printmaking, photography, ceramics, 3D design, art history.

Interests

Design, architecture, decor, home renovation, sewing, sculpture, travel, painting, sailing, skiing, pottery.

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References

“Sylvia is most passionate about her work and studies in the field of interior design. Hard working, caring and always with a smile are a few attributes that stand out in my mind. Sylvia is the person who is always there to help her peers and contributes such professionalism in and out of the class room environment. Sylvia would be a most welcomed asset to any future organization!”

Brian Hucker B.Sc. Interior Architecture
Interior Design Program Coordinator
St. Clair College of Applied Arts and Technology
Windsor, Ontario, Canada

“Sylvia’s creativity extends into many fields of design, she knows how to take a different perspective according to the understanding of the task at hand. She has a wonderful combination of energy and patience that allows her to gain insightful creative solutions.”

Sandra Ellis, ARIDO, IDC, IDEC, NCIDQ #25226
Professor, Interior Design
St. Clair College of Applied Arts and Technology
Windsor, Ontario, Canada

“Sylvia was a most creative and adaptable person during her time with us. She applied her incredible skills to a wide variety of media, from complex annual reports to branding and small retail advertisements. The results were always well received by our clients.

Additionally, her very pleasant personality and willingness to help out made her a joy to work with.

I would unhesitatingly recommend Sylvia to future employers.”

Peter Hebbard
AAC Saatchi & Saatchi
Front Street, Hamilton, Bermuda
