

Dusty Altena. Designer

Career Summary

Accomplished editorial designer with over 15 years of experience in journalism and media. Perfectionist with strong technical expertise and a thorough command of typography and design philosophy; highly skilled in Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign, as well as most other mainstream software.

Experience

Advance Digital 2016-present, Jersey City, NJ **Senior Print Designer**

Member of the company's top-tier Enterprise team, which designs the most important editorial content of over 25 Advance-owned newspapers located throughout the country, including *The Portland Oregonian*, *The New Orleans Times-Picayune*, and *The Newark Star-Ledger*.

Utilizes a keen understanding of design, illustration, and photo editing to establish a consistent and common voice throughout Advance's 25+ publications.

Gannett; Asbury Park Design Studio 2014-16, Asbury Park, NJ **Senior Sports Designer**

Responsible for producing eye-catching designs for 15 Gannett-owned newspapers located in the Northeast. Frequently put in charge of special sections, poster pages, and other premier content that required a sophisticated, discerning sense of design.

Winner of Gannett First-Quarter Award of Excellence in Spring 2015. Winner of Gannett First-Quarter Journalism Award (Design-Best Special Section) and Finalist in two others (Best Special Section, Best Breaking News Design) in Spring 2016.

American Papers, Cal State Fullerton 2013-14, Fullerton, CA **Managing Editor/Designer**

Served as sole layout designer; completely redesigned the publication with an updated modern design.

Radio K 2010-12, Minneapolis, MN **Graphic Designer/Web Producer, Volunteer DJ**

Responsible for a wide array of print and web work, including marketing campaigns, posters and fliers.

CG Channel 2009-10, Hollywood, CA **Graphic Designer, Web Producer**

Designed digital interviews for well-known CG artists, including editors of films such as "The Watchmen" and "The Day After Tomorrow."

The Arizona Republic 2006-09, Phoenix, AZ **Lead Sports Designer/Graphic Artist**

Produced graphics, layouts, and special sections for 500,000 print readers and online visitors.

Education

University of Minnesota Dual B.A. in History and Art

Cal State University, Fullerton M.A. in American Studies

Software/Language Skills

Adobe InDesign
Adobe Illustrator
Adobe Photoshop
Final Cut Pro
HTML/CSS/PHP
CCI/NCS

Other Accomplishments

Commissioned for illustrations and t-shirt designs for a variety of companies, including Oddica and Envy Magazine.

Created the artwork for "Pauly Shore's Interested" Podcast.

Editorial internship at *CityPages* (Village Voice) in Minneapolis.

Editorial internship at *The Onion AV Club* in Minneapolis.