

John D. Shull

Production and Graphic Artist / Illustrator

Vector Graphics • Print Production • Signage • Apparel Graphics • Web Design | BSc Comp. Sci

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Summary

Production and Graphic Artist / Illustrator with experience creating clean vector artwork and reconstructions and preparing production-ready graphics for apparel, signage, vinyl and large-format printing, themed environments, and publications for children and education.

Skilled in production workflows including print file preparation, preflight checks, and high-volume graphics production with a strong emphasis on accuracy, consistency, and efficient output while maintaining organized, production-ready files.

Skilled in Adobe Creative Cloud (primarily Illustrator and Photoshop), Microsoft Office, and various CMS platforms, aiming to leverage creative and technical expertise to excel in a Production Art, Graphic Design, Web, or Themed design, or Technical role.

Authorized to work in the US for any employer.

Work Experience

J-Signs and Graphics

Senior Graphic Artist

Oct 2024 - Present

Aberdeen, NC

- Prepared and preflighted production-ready vector artwork based on customer-provided or original designs for large-format signage, vinyl graphics, logo design, vehicle wraps, and routed sign fabrication using Adobe Illustrator and Photoshop to generate organized, layered design files.
- Set up router files and CutContour paths, decal cut files, and pre-press-ready layouts, while checking for alignment, production and color accuracy, and file quality before release to print or production.
- Provided design proofs and 3D renderings of channel letter signs for customers to review, aiding in informed decision-making and customer satisfaction.
- Maintained constant communication with customers during the design and development process, ensuring alignment with customer expectations and timely project completion.

Freelance Website Design and Maintenance

Clients include Simon Temple AME Zion Church and Rockfish Church

Jun 2009 – Aug 2024

Fayetteville, NC

- Duties varied depending on client. Primary tasks included the design, development, and maintenance of church, ministry, and other websites in WordPress or SnapPages, assistance with live stream setup, and maintenance of Subsplash Apps and on-demand media.

Covenant Love Church

Web and Media Assistant (Jul 2004 – Dec 2018)

Jul 2004 – Dec 2023

Fayetteville, NC

- Oversaw the development of weekly bulletin production, graphics for physical media, and other print productions.
- Managed organized file structures and digital assets across multiple project workflows (web and app) and production environments. Oversaw maintenance of Microsoft, Google, and other cloud and SaaS platforms.
- Supported digital asset management and web-based updates using HTML, CSS, and multiple CMS platforms.
- Gained experience with JavaScript, PHP, and MySQL to contribute to basic interactive features and server-side scripting, site repair, restoration, and maintenance for web projects.
- Edited and maintained audio and video files for on-demand access through Subsplash app and YouTube. Supervised live stream broadcasts and equipment, ensuring smooth and uninterrupted services for online audiences.
- Resolved technical issues for Mac and Windows workstations, Digital Signage, Live Streaming, and other equipment through effective troubleshooting and communication with support services.

Creative Director (Feb 2018 – Oct 2021)

- Collaborated with professional themed design artists and contractors to develop a themed environment for the Children's Facilities, enhancing the visual appeal and engagement for visitors.
- Served as a point of contact, maintained brand identity, contributed character artwork, and planned construction, themed flooring design, and special lighting installations, ensuring cohesive and immersive themed experiences.

Children's Media Designer (Oct 2021 – Dec 2023)

- Oversaw the development for Children's Ministry brand and characters as used for animations, screen and print graphics, and continued maintenance and additions to the themed facilities design.
- Developed large murals and other facilities enhancements using traditional art, computer production software, and 3D modeling. Communicated with print contractors and installers for quality control and production.

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Production Artist / Graphic Designer

Feb 1995 – Jun 2004

Fayetteville, NC

- Rebuilt low resolution client artwork into clean vectors for print production using Illustrator and Photoshop.
- Created original and layout-based apparel graphics and illustrations for colleges and universities using licensed mascot files, for military and gift shop clients, and for specialty clients including licensed brands.
- Generated color separation for spot or process color printing for screen print.
- Provided technical assistance for Mac workstations and maintained film, heat transfer, and vinyl printers to ensure high-quality production and minimize downtime.

Education

NC State University

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science

Aug 1991 – Apr 1994

Raleigh, NC

East Carolina University

Computer Science studies

Sep 1989 – May 1991

Greenville, NC

Skills

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| • Adobe Creative Cloud | • DNS maintenance | • Copyright and Licensing compliance research |
| • Adobe Illustrator | • WordPress | • Graphic Design |
| • Adobe Photoshop | • Elementor | • Production Art |
| • Adobe After Effects | • WP Bakery | • Themed Design |
| • Adobe Animate | • SnapPages | • Screen printing |
| • Adobe Acrobat | • HTML, CSS | • Illustration |
| • Adobe Dreamweaver | • JavaScript | • Print Services |
| • CorelDraw | • PHP | • Children's Book Illustration |
| • Project management Apps: | • MySQL | • Cartoonist |
| • Slack | • Microsoft Office | • Blender 3D modeling |
| • Basecamp | • Microsoft Word | • Workstation Troubleshooting |
| • Teamwork | • Microsoft Excel | • Mac, PC, Windows, Ubuntu |
| • Web Design | • Microsoft PowerPoint | |
| • Web Development | • Microsoft Outlook | |
| • CMS maintenance | • Microsoft OneDrive | |

Publications

The Little Piano (Illustrator)

<https://www.amazon.com/Little-Piano-Trinity-Burse/dp/1973640163>

September 2018: Illustrated the children's book, "The Little Piano," by Trinity Bursey.
Original layout designed using Clip Studio Paint; final colorization using Adobe Illustrator.

The Day the Instruments Split! (Illustrator)

<https://www.amazon.com/Day-Instruments-Split-Trinity-Burse/dp/B0GY1KZ47M>

October 2021: Illustrated the children's book, "The Day the Instruments Split!" by Trinity Bursey.
Original layout designed using Clip Studio Paint; final colorization using Adobe Illustrator.

Lamar, the Super Guitar! (Illustrator)

<https://www.amazon.com/Lamar-Super-Guitar-Little-Instrumentals/dp/B0GQWBKXPH>

January 2026: Illustrated the children's book, "Lamar, the Super Guitar!" by Trinity Bursey.
Layout and colorization done using Clip Studio Paint with additional effects in Adobe Illustrator.