

J.J. JAMES

CREATIVE DIRECTOR | PRODUCTION DESIGNER | ART DIRECTOR



PROFESSIONAL STATEMENT

Creative Director. Designer. Art Director. With 15+ years experience. Versatile and reliable professional with design and management experience; from parking lots to arenas ranging in size from small private projects to full-scale, multi-million dollar, high profile corporate design and construction projects. Successfully oversees multiple teams and projects while ensuring that all production deadlines and budgets are met with exceptional quality.

EXPERIENCE

Owner & CCO	SparkitWorks Design & Production Company	Los Angeles, CA
Art Director	Out Of Our Minds Creative Services Creative Entertainment Production Company	International
Professor & Scenographer	Johnson County Community College Theatre Department - Head of Design	Overland Park, KS
Owner & Creative Producer	Charlie Productions Entertainment Production Company	Los Angeles, CA
Creative Director & Project Manager	Queen Mary's Dark Harbor Hotel, Attraction, and Events	Long Beach, CA
Designer	All Access Staging, Inc. Entertainment Production Company	Los Angeles, CA
Production Designer	National Picture Show Film Production Company	Los Angeles, CA
Art Director	Riva Creative - Dubai Attraction and theme park design	Dubai, UAE
Project Manager & Designer	Mattel, Inc. Toy Company –Tradeshow Services	El Segundo, CA

SKILLS

Leading the process of conceptual design to execution. Extensive knowledge in design principles for original content as well as themed and brand based design. Wide-ranging knowledge and background in developing design solutions for diverse audience experiences from live entertainment to 3D digital environments. Project management, material and labor budgeting, client, subcontractor and vendor communications, team leadership and scheduling.

TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE

Vectorworks drafting (3D & 2D), Photoshop, Adobe Creative Suite, Design Rendering, Graphic Design, Character development & design, Costume design, Model making, Scenic painting and finishes. Understanding of ADA standards and building codes.

CLIENT LIST

The Queen Mary, All Access Staging, Out of Our Minds Creative Services - Tom Marzullo, FCF Fan Controlled Football, Crazy Legs Productions, Chris Lamb, Mattel, Inc., Riva Creative-Dubai, National Picture Show, James Connelly, Lythgoe Family Productions, Revlon, Izze Soda, Clorox, Knott's Berry Farm, Hollywood Bowl, MarVista Films, Second City, Shakespeare Dallas, Dallas Children's Theater

EDUCATION

MFA Stage Design
BS Theater / Women's Studies Minor
PCPA Theaterfest Design Assistant

Southern Methodist University
Kansas State University (Magna Cum Laude)
Pacific Conservatory of the Performing Arts

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