

Ego-less Interactive Designer, Animator, and Problem Solver—with a pinch of Programmer.

Totally enjoys UI design, development + the user experience. Super comfortable with hand-coding XHTML, CSS, JAVASCRIPT, ACTIONSCRIPT 2, PHP, CLASSIC ASP.

2009

Design Director at Tarkenton Financial, GoSmallBiz, & The Small Business Support Center (GA) 2004-2009

2008

2007

2006

2005

For the last 5 years, I have spent my day as *the* creative department for a variety of companies under one man, including Tarkenton Financial, The Small Business Support Center, & GoSmallBiz, all located in Atlanta, Georgia. They are all owned, and operated by Fran Tarkenton, a legend before my time. I was responsible for the design, development, and direction of all of our web sites + marketing materials. I implemented + managed several content mgmt systems (CMS), and grasped a real-world understanding of the ins and outs of Open-source software at the corporate level, notably WordPress and Wordpress MU. In addition to my role with the online media side of the companies, I designed and educated/directed other designers in the execution of all print work, including brochures, mailpieces, and anything else that would need to be designed. I played an integral part in the development of new brand identities, and the families of brands, as well as the interface work associated with taking these branded web applications to the marketplace. (www.tarkentonfinancial.com, www.gosmallbiz.com, and www.pplbizplan.com)

2004

Studied Design at The Creative Circus (GA) 2002-2004

2003

2002

I invested two years in a design & advertising program at The Creative Circus, a Graduate Advertising & Design School in Atlanta — where I nurtured a love for typography and ran away with eight awards, including Student's Choice. Gained skills in branding and identity, as well as product packaging and book-making. I gathered an understanding of reasoning and decision-making. Gained non-interactive design skills. Most importantly, the process behind bringing an idea from concept to reality was demystified. (www.creativecircus.edu)

2001

Interactive Designer at The Hypersite Network (MD) 2000-2002

Sole web designer on a team of programmers for a variety of local businesses. I enhanced my own programming ability and learned how to work and communicate effectively with people of a programming mindset, and learned how to deal with business owners. (www.hypersite.net)

2000

Designer at WebMarketeer (VA), Computer Sciences Corporation (VA) & Atomic Fusion (GA) 1999-2000

1999

Focused on the development of military-based automotive training lessons, primarily for the US Marine Corps. During this time, I built a solid foundation of knowledge on Flash. (www.csc.com, and www.atomic-fusion.com)