Robert Grasso

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PROFILE: U

UX & UI Designer

User-centered experience and visual design professional specializing in creative, team-oriented solutions.

- Several years of experience with embedded touch, browser-based responsive, and mobile app UX design.
- Collaborate with customers, product management, marketing, and development to transform requirements into user-friendly applications.
- Edit behavioral documentation, provide hands-on HTML5 and CSS3, and illustrate image assets. Leverage Adobe and Microsoft suite of products, as well as Axure and many others.

EXPERIENCE:

2013 - Current

User Experience Design Lead

XEROX. Webster. NY

- Collaborate with product management and development organizations to provide UX designs and behavioral specifications for Xerox multi-functional devices with embedded touch interfaces, Web enabled applications, and mobile apps.
- Projects include native embedded UIs, custom branded interface designs for large retail customers, and several specialized Xerox ConnectKey enabled apps.
- Awarded several design patents for work related to the Xerox Instant Print Kiosk.

2006 - 2013

User Experience Design Contractor

ROADNET TECHNOLOGIES, Towson, MD

- Lead an initiative to design the MobileCast Ontrack iOS app that tracks mobile fleet resources and related data.
- Responsible for workflow, screen layout, visual design elements, and Apple iOS Human Interface Guidelines compliance.

PAYCHEX, Webster, NY

- Created wireframe and screen behavioral requirements for the Paychex "Next Generation" payroll app.
- Work with product/operations experts and business analysts to design intuitive and user-friendly screens.
- Collaborate with other UX team members, developers, and test engineers to provide highly detailed wireframe and screen behavioral requirements documentation for development and QA testing.
- Observe user testing and collaborate with usability experts, provide alternative solutions to improve the user experience.
- Contribute to product wide UX standards and pattern documents.

OPENTEXT, Baltimore, MD Formerly Metastorm Inc.

- Provide user experience direction and UI elements including HTML and CSS for existing products and POCs. Interpret
 product requirements, identify personas, clarify use cases, and illustrate wireframes.
- Primary UI designer for the Smart Business Workspace POC, a Silverlight mash-up of Metastorm products.
- Contribute UI elements and direction for Metastorm BPM application version 9, a leading process management application with client and Web-enabled interfaces.
- Refactored UI interaction process to improve UI designer and developer collaboration focused on user centered design.

FIRST NIAGARA BANK, Rochester, NY

- Design a new user experience and visual interface for a revised on-line benefits enrollment application.
- Collaborate with product management and development to improve the user experience visual design.
- Provided wireframe and full color screen design documentation as well as image assets and CSS.

1998 - 2005

WORKSTREAM INC., White Plains, NY Formerly ProAct Corp/CFN and iExpert

User-Interface Manager [2000 - 2005]

- Lead and provide direction to a team of HTML coders, graphic designers, and front-end developers.
- Communicate with product managers, developers, and clients to determine UI requirements and provide solutions for custom branded Web-client browser-based applications.
- Build interface prototypes with HTML, CSS and JavaScript as well as provide wireframe and workflow diagrams for new and existing applications.

Senior Graphic Designer, iExpert [1998 - 2000]

- Design and implement client branded interfaces using iExpert's proprietary knowledge management application.
- Responsible for iExpert's promotional materials including electronic media and print.

1994 – 1998

NORTH COUNTRY MEDIA, Stamford, CT

Lead Animator and Graphic Designer

Business communications designer responsible for broadcast and corporate video graphics, Web sites, and CD-ROM's.

1990 – 1994

VISUAL SERVICES INTERNATIONAL, South Norwalk, CT

3d Artist/Animator and Video Graphics Designer

Design and implement animations and graphics for corporate videos, interactive interfaces and electronic presentations.

EDUCATION:

SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

Bachelor of Arts in Graphic Design; Minor in Computer Science