

## **MAYA SMADI**

Freelance Art Director

#### **ART DIRECTOR**

[Project Basis]

Vibrant Sorcery Sep 2020 - Present

Clients Include: SIG Combibloc Obeikan, HKA, EGA

- Provide creative vision and concept design for video and animation projects
- Manage multiple stakeholders and projects from pre through to post-production
- Participates as a creative team member in new-business development efforts

## MANAGING DIRECTOR

[Self-employed]

Alama DMCC May 2009 - June 2020

Clients Include: Motivate Publishing, Aon Hewitt, Cinema Akil, Tonic Juice Bars, Furchild, Misk Nursery, Sharjah Equine Hospital, Kane Mochi (KSA)

- Serviced client accounts and manage projects from conception to execution
- Managed project teams with a versatile skill-set such as developers, videographers, photographers and designers (based on client requirements)
- Developed and revamped brand identities from rough ideas to full fledged concepts
- Managed the creative collateral behind corporate events (art design for a stand at the Gulfood won the 'best stand design' award in 2018)

## **HEAD OF DESIGN**

[Contract]

Slant Agency Mar - Jul 2019

Clients Include: Coroli (ADVOC Group), Ajmal Perfumes

- Managed the complete account for Coroli which includes coordinating client briefs, collaborating with the strategy and design team, revamping the brand identity, brand guidelines and designing their new product portfolio
- Spearheaded the overall brand design Qafiya for Ajmal Perfumes in Saudi Arabia including development of the website and social media visual language
- Supported in re-strategizing the social media of Qafiya an Ajmal Perfumes product range - which included defining brand pillars, visual mood board and development of marketing collaterals

## **CREATIVE DIRECTOR**

[Project Basis]

Syntonize

Jan 2017 - Jan 2019

 Develop the brand for WAVO by OSN which included putting together a team to create all the necessary assets, manage client presentations and meetings, work closely with the designers and other agencies to develop a cohesive brand and launch campaign.

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## CONTACT

### **SOCIAL**



EXPERIENCE

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## **HEAD OF MEDIA**

[Start-Up Partner]

Farahii.com Aug 2017 - Aug 2018

- Headed media for farahii.com (wedding ecommerce start-up)
- Part of the start-up management team and key influencer in the company's strategic planning
- · Day-today responsibilities included:
  - o Preparing social media strategy, budgets and analytics
  - Planning, designing and scheduling of monthly social media content and campaigns
  - Deployed social media campaigns on Facebook, Instagram and SnapChat as well as SMS marketing
  - Managed marketing team remotely
  - Updated the ecommerce website with promotions and offers
  - o Directed product photography

## **GRAPHIC DESIGNER**

[Full Time]

Spark Advertising (Publinet) Jul 2005 - May 2009

Clients Include: TAG Heure, Cinnabon, Settles Best Coffee, Baskin Robbins, Dubai Pearl, Zaatar w Zeit

- Worked with client servicing to understand client's briefs and translate them into attractive and impactful designs
- Oversaw production of all marketing collateral

## AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF SHARJAH

Bachelors of Science in Visual Communication Sep 2001 - May 2005

# SKILLS

- · Art Direction & Storytelling
- Creative & Curious
- Reliable & Professional
- Organized & Analytical
- Time management
- Fast learner & Self-Motivated
- Adobe Creative Suite
- Figma
- Microsoft Office

 Multi-lingual (Arabic, English & French [basic])



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