# Design Director, Merchandiser, Buyer, Stylist

Seasoned, passionate designer of over 20-years with proven experience leading teams using in-depth knowledge of national and international consumer trends to drive sales for local and internationally recognized name brands.

# AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Trend Forecasting Color Forecast and Management Vision Conceptualization Consumer Behavior & Trends Merchandize Management Team Leadership & Management **CAD Artist Collaboration** Buying Fashion Illustration Draping/Pattern Making **Product & Concept Development** 

**Tech Packs** Sourcing **Budget Management** Factory & Vendor Management

Strategic Marketing Initiatives Women's, Men's and Children's Clothing and Accessories Print and Embroidery Design Bridal Design

**Bedding and Window Treatment** Design

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, Fresco Kaledo Corel Microsoft Office Suite Imovie PLM, PDM, DESL Pattern Engineering Room Planner

#### **Awards**

Jones of New York-Mark Waldrop Critic Award Award of Excellence-Moore College of Art & Design Tommy Hilfiger Critic Award Margaret Hayes Critic Award in Women's Sportswear

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

# PILLOW IN THE PINES, Hammonton, NJ

Founder, Interior Designer

September 2021 – Present Interior Design. Concept to construction. Custom soft goods- Bedding, Windows, Pillows

and more. Space planning. Custom artwork

# BLUE OCEAN CONSULTANTS, Collegeville PA. 2020

**Design and Merchandising Consultant** 

June 2020 - Present

Work with US based customers in all aspects of design- Branding, color and concept, flat sketching, Illustrations, and tech packs. Merchandising and production with India factories of apparel, accessories and home furnishings.

#### KENSINGTON FURNITURE, Northfield,, NJ

Stylist, Buyer

August 2022 - Present

Buy and style furniture and accessories, Design and manage creation of space. Design graphics for in store marketing.

# **DESTINATION MATERNITY**, Philadelphia, PA

Sr. Design Director

Direct a team of designers and CAD teams for Motherhood Maternity, A Pea in the Pod, and Jessica Simpson Maternity. Responsible for creative direction and execution of brand collections and product categories.

- Successfully achieve \$650M in annual total sales across all brands.
- Exceeded annual revenue of \$125M for all partnered brands as lead designer.
- **Increased recruitment and retention** of direct staff because of exemplary mentorship and staff development initiatives.

# TOMMY HILFIGER, New York, NY

# **Design Director**

Designed and directed designers and CAD artists in multiple product collections over the years including: Men's sweaters and active lines, Start up of men's golf line, Start up of Tommy Girl line, and women's knits and sweaters.

## ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Volunteer, HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, Mt. Laurel, NJ

Contemporary Bridal Collection Designer, STACIA ROSELLI LLC., Croton, Hudson, NY

#### **EDUCATION**

# Bachelor of Fine Arts, Cum Laude

Moore College of Art & Design, Philadelphia, PA