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## Education

Aug. 2019 Nov. 2019

Sep. 2015

Jun. 2017

**Design Intensive** Pensole Footwear Academy 2D Footwear Design

**Bachelors of Science Degree** Fashion Institute of Design & Sep. 2017 Jun. 2019 Merchandising **Business Management** 

> Associates of Arts Degree Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising

**Merchandise Product** Development

# **Key Qualifications**

- Adobe Creative Cloud: Ai, Indd, Psd
- Blender
- Color & Materials Design
- **Concept Creation**
- Footwear Design •
- **Graphic Design**
- **Presentation Boards** .
- Organization
- Strategic Problem Solver •
- **Trend & Market Research**
- Verbal & Written Communication .
- 2D Hand Sketching

# Volunteering

#### Triple Threat x Jordan Wings Program

Mar. 2022 Apr. 2022

Assisted kids between the ages of 14-18 to design a poster. Blessed to have been apart of the CHI Team.

## **Ralfie Garcia** Footwear & Graphic Designer

A designer who fearlessly explores their curiosity through unapologetic actions, bringing substantial value to the industry.



Feb. 2022

Jan. 2023

Jan. 2020

Nov. 2021

Apr. 2018

Dec. 2018

Jun. 2021

Jun. 2021

### Footwear Design Experience

#### Jr. Footwear Designer - Charly USA

- Designed new lifestyle uppers for AW 2023
- C&M/Merchandise Men's & Boy's Footwear collection
- Mock up tech packs from scratch for new uppers and tooling silhouettes
- Revise pullovers with updated specs through tape ups and 2D technical drawings
- Constantly researching sport & culture to design new and better performing products
- Created new blueprint for direct injected tooling

#### Pensole Design Academy

- New Balance D.W.S Program (2021)
- Lead our team to design a "Made Here" collection that reflects Detroit, MI manufacturing history. As a team, we collaborated to create an outstanding Marketing, Footwear, Apparel, and C&M project. Three people out of our six person team won awards for their work

#### Allbirds B.R.D Program (2021)

- Explored the "Lifecycle Assessment" to discover a solution that decreases the carbon footprint from manufacturing through a traditional hands on experience
- New Balance F.F.F Program (2020)
- Designed a minimal runner for fast pace life occasions in Brooklyn, NY

#### Footwear Design Intern - Supra Footwear Co.

- Produced seasonal color palette and trend boards to guide design direction
- Designed seasonal colorways and sourced materials for Crown and Kids line
- Execute detailed tech packs for seasonal product: Footwear, T-Shirts, and Accessories
- Developed/designed quick to market products for special projects: Team Rider colorways, DTC, and Collaborations
- Initiated seasonal VLPs and overviews to present to sales meetings and departments throughout the office

### **Graphic Design Experience**

#### Freelance Graphic Design Assistant - Teddy Fresh

- Update art for screen-print and embroidery
- Re-design Hila Klein's drawings into vector art for production
- Generate tech packs for print-ables and accessories
- Re-color graphics for production
- Create CADs for production

#### CAD Artist - Hybrid Apparel

- Composed F/W 2020 seasonal color palette and trend board to guide design direction for Caliville and JunkFood
- Generated F/W 2020 seasonal plaids for Levi Strauss & Co. and JunkFood accounts
- Designed new varsity jacket body for Caliville F/W 2020 Account
- Renovated tech packs for "Branded" accounts: Knits, Print-ables, & Wovens
- Refreshed seasonal VLPs, buy plan's and overviews to present to sales meetings, departments throughout the office, and retailer accounts

#### Merch. & Design Intern - Volcom LLC

- Assembled collections to present to sale meetings, production meetings, and photo-shoots
- Assisted the design team for upcoming seasonal meeting, sales meetings, and team reviews
- Created VLPs to be presented to all departments of the office
- Revised tech packs with new specs and CADs for factory production

#### **Design Intern - HUF Worldwide**

- Designed new graphic for a 6 panel hat released Summer 2018
- Responsible for creating multiple weekly US retailer sales reports every week about products being sold in retailers worldwide
- Assisted the design team with color, trend, and design analysis
- Updated/Created technical packs for factory production for footwear and apparel
- Prepared seasonal meetings about upcoming product
- Provided assistance in creating seasonal look books

- - Aug. 2019
- Oct. 2017

Oct. 2016

Jul. 2017

Dec. 2017

Apr. 2019