Todd Lawson

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Creative Director for Advertising, Branding & SaaS. Art Director, Designer, UX'r, Artist, Occasional Writer for 20+ years.

Awards & Accolades:

50+ awards national and international for marketing, branding, illustration and design.

Creative Skills:

Creative Direction & Strategy, Art Direction, Concepting, Branding, Design, Illustration, Social, Digital & Traditional Marketing, Writing (short form, long form, scripting), Performance marketing

Business Skills:

Executive team Experience, Team and Departmental Management, Client Management, New Business Development, Internal Planning, Budgeting, Resource Management, Project management, SOWs, Estimates, Process Development and deployment

Information Skills:

UI/UX, Wires, Architecture, Prototypes, User Testing, Documentation, BRDs, Product Development, Roadmaps

Social Skills:

Interpersonal Skills, Public Speaking, Storytelling, Mentoring, Teaching

Executive Creative Director | Blink (November 2021 - Present)

<u>Key Brands Worked on</u>: Oceans Seafood, Millionnaires, Gold Seal, Staples Canada, Variety BC Charity, Telus, Oregon Group.

+ Making magic happen leading both the creative department as well as the interactive development department. Growing an agency to a multi-office national independent group, building out new processes and structures, learning every day. Occasional copywriter and art director.

Chief Creative Officer | Vicimus (Mar 2019 - October 2021)

Key Brands Worked on: Bumper, GloveboxCMS, Odometer, Selectrocide, Strategy Mob Magazine/Community, Nissan Canada, Toyota Dealers Association, Canadian AutoShow, OnlineKars, RevUps, Vicimus (Company/SaaS Hero Brand), Suburban Ford

+ Manage the creative department for internal design, marketing, branding, Social for multiple software products, UX & UI, and services as well as external creative marketing services.

Freelance UX Consulting | Miner Thought (Jan 2009 - Present)

Key Brands Worked on: Blulvy, iWorkyWorky, EquoShift, Neighbourhood Coffee, Quantum Gelato, BlueKote, We Are Social Toronto (Social Advertising Pitches/New Business)

VP, Creative Strategy | Vicimus (Mar 2017 - Feb 2019)

<u>Key Activities</u>: Oversaw the launch of the Vicimus Brand after being acquired and rebranded multiple products as well as developed annual marketing plans from strategy to execution.

+ Managed creative departments and staff of twelve creatives including writers, coordinators, editors, animators, illustrators, designers and art directors on a wide range of projects

Chief Creative Officer | Dashboard (Mar 2015 - Mar 2017)

Key Activities: Overseeing the creative department, new product innovations and day to day creative process at Dashboard. Worked with owner to transition company from 14 years in direct client advertising to product design and software development As a SaaS (Software as a service) firm. Work also covered traditional, digital advertising, branding and the creation of high quality print magazine Strategy Mob (30K circulation USA and Canada) From concept to finished issues.

Associate Creative Director | Grey Canada (Dec 2012 - Mar 2015)

Senior Art Director (Apr 2010 - Nov 2012)

<u>Key Brands Worked On</u>: Guinness, Post Cereals (Grape Nuts, Shreddies, Honey Bunches Of Oats, Great Grains), GSK (Abreva, Breathe Right, Pronamel, Sensodyne), Missing Children Society Of Canada, Sagicor, Playtex, Scotia Bank, HSBC, Bombay Sapphire, Cymbalta.

+ Led digital creative projects as agency's Digital User Experience Lead and Associate Creative Director. Including Graphic Design, Architecture, wire-frame creation and BRD creation.