

## MICHAEL KROPTAVICH

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## **EDUCATION**

BFA Advertising & Graphic Design Columbus College of Art & Design 2011 – 2014

## **SKILLS**

UI/UX Design
Digital and Web Design
Packaging Design
Branding & Identity
Social Media Content
Typography

**Motion Graphics** 

Illustration

#### RECOGNITION

Vega Digital Awards Muse Creative Awards Hermes Creative Awards AVA Digital Awards

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## **Graphic Designer** | June 2023 – present

Zelis • Morristown, NJ (Remote)

Introducing illustration to the corporate visual language by creating, building, and maintaining a library of branded illustrations (and occasionally directing freelance illustrators)

Crafting engaging brand and visual identities for a number of healthcare conferences and corporate events, including environmental design, signage, digital assets, and merchandise (shirts, socks, dog bandanas, infant onesies, and even cornhole boards)

Expanding motion design capabilities using Photoshop Timeline and introducing After Effects to internal workflows with a focus on Zelis' LinkedIn account

Setting goals to improve internal processes with the help of creative leadership

## Senior Digital Designer July 2019 - Feb 2023

WebMechanix • Columbia, MD (Remote)

Produced award-winning creative (over 40 total awards) for clients local and national alongside a team of visual designers, UX designers, motion designers, and copywriters

Collaborated with development in the production of email designs, landing pages, and website re-designs in Figma

Created the visual identity for the agency's first and only branding client (I wish I could tell you who it was)

Developed a more refined skillset including: web design, digital ad creation, video editing, and motion design, and consistently delivered exceptional results for clients and internal stakeholders alike

Fully immersed in understanding the underlying pain points of client audiences and connecting them to client solutions

# Lead Signmaker | Sept 2016 - July 2019

Northeast Eagle Distributors • Pittston, PA

Designed and printed signage and display graphics for sales in accordance with Anheuser-Busch guidelines in order to raise awareness for it's portfolio of brands

Performed maintenance on both large and small format printers, and managed a departmental budget for supplies and repairs