# Jess Kozak

# **Profile:**

I am a passionate artist with a bachelor's degree in graphic design. I have excellent organizational skills. I like to be ahead of the game and therefore I manage my time wisely. I am seeking a position in the field of graphic design where I can express my creativity.

## **Education:**

University of Wisconsin-Parkside Bachelor of Arts in Graphic Design, May 2020 Cumulative GPA: 3.50 Provost's List College of Arts and Humanities Dean's List Phi Theta Kappa Honors Society

College of Lake County Associate in Arts Degree, May 2018 Cumulative GPA: 3.62 College Honor List for Academic Excellence Phi Theta Kappa Honors Society

## **Skills:**

Give and receive constructive criticism; Meet deadlines; Diligent; Time management; Focused; Willing to learn new skills; Experienced in multiple mediums; Effective problem solver; Team player; Creative; Great listener; Responsible; Open minded; Organized; Both oral and written communication skills.

# **Portfolio Website:**

http://jesskozak.com/

## **Proficiencies:**

Adobe Illustrator; Adobe Photoshop; Adobe XD; WordPress; Microsoft Office; Google Drive.

### **Other Experience:**

Dreamweaver; HTML; CSS; and Adobe InDesign.

## Interests and Hobbies:

Short story writing; painting; drawing; kayaking; hiking; and photography.



Michaels Vernon Hills IL

- Cashier, September 2021 to Present
- -Purchases and returns
- -Sales team PA/radio communications

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- -Customer assistance-phone
- -Retrieve bopis/ups orders
- -Customer assistance-point of sale
- -Restocking, cleaning, and aligning of merchandise displays
- -Packing orders for ship from store
- -Creating merchandise displays for Sunday MakeBreaks
- -Creating Kids Club Take and Make bags, and examples

The Root Magazine Project Racine WI

Photographer, March 2020 to April 2020

- -Take photographs inside Chit Chaat's restaurant
- -Chose the best photos out of the 50 I took in one session
- -Edit the best photos

-Three of my photos are featured in University of Wisconsin-Parkside's The Root Magazine, second edition from Summer 2020

https://www.uwp.edu/learn/departments/art/rootmag.cfm

### Union Park Community Project Kenosha WI

#### Designer, March 2019 to May 2019

-Developed logo and promotional plan for Kenosha Art Market

-Coordinated with Lemon Street Gallery, Union Park Arts District, and their community partners

- -Directly communicated with The Director of Lemon Street Gallery
- -Team relationship building
- -Team interaction and independent assignments
- -Extracted understanding of customers' goals and objectives
- -Featured in a Kenosha News Article on May 14, 2019 by Terry Flores

https://www.kenoshanews.com/news/local/parkside-students-present-ideas-on-helpingpr omote-the-arts/article\_0b81e712-2725-50ec-a42b-ab5c9e170b37.html

#### Independent Painting Contractor Third Lake IL

Deck and railing painter, July 2018 to August 2018

-Independently managed project with quality workmanship

-Stained and painted neighborhood decks and railings



## **Other Related Experience**

#### **It'Sugar** Gurnee IL Sales Associate, June 2017 to December 2017 -Sales and customer interaction -Cash register proficiency -Merchandise display -Stocking and inventory

#### Straylight Literary Arts Magazine, Kenosha, WI February 2024 -Featured in Volume 16.1 for Fall of 2023

-Page 67 photography entry

#### 37th Annual CLC Student Art Competition,

Grayslake IL April 2018 to May 2018 -Student exhibition -Presented sculpture at Wright Gallery

Community Band, Grayslake IL August 2016 to May 2018 -Played second clarinet sheet music -Performed in four concerts with a seventy member band for College of Lake County