

# Ryan Smythe | Senior Visual Designer

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## SKILLS:

branding  
email marketing  
graphic design  
information graphics  
print design  
UI/UX design  
video editing  
visual storytelling  
web animation

My passion for graphic design is driven by a desire to craft meaningful & memorable experiences. I strive to bring simplicity to complex ideas through a seasoned understanding of branding & visual storytelling. I am eager to collaborate within a diverse team of professionals while actively expanding my skill set towards emerging trends in design & technology.

## EXPERIENCE:

**Senior Designer** | Axle Agency / [Data Axle](#) | 4/23 - present  
Spearheading email, direct mail, & social media creative initiatives.

## CLIENTS:

American Express  
AT&T  
Best Buy  
Dollar Tree  
Firestone  
Hershey's  
Hewlett-Packard  
Intel  
Logitech  
Microsoft  
Nike  
Nuance  
OHSU  
PayPal  
Providence Health  
See's Candies  
StubHub  
Tillamook Creamery  
US Bank  
Visa

**Senior Marketing Designer** | [LifeWorks NW](#) | 1/20 - 3/23

Acted as the brand steward for the entire organization.  
Designed print collateral, event branding, promotional emails, & physical signage.  
Updated company brand guide & website for ADA compliance.  
Produced promotional videography to enhance online storytelling.  
Directed output from print & web development vendors.

**Senior Marketing Designer** | Food + Beverage Innovations | 4/19 - 8/19

*Note: This is a startup that filed for bankruptcy.*  
Designed promotional collateral, signage, & ADA compliant product UI.  
Co-created the company brand guide as an instrumental part of the rebranding process.  
Worked with cross-functional product teams, including engineering & software.

**Senior Designer** | Yes Marketing | 8/12 - 4/19

Designed dynamic/responsive email campaigns, preference centers, & landing pages.  
Defined visual design to support campaign strategy & business goals.  
Refined department design processes & trained co-workers.  
Directed output from copywriters & web developers.

**Designer** | [XPLANE](#) | 8/10 - 4/12

Captured & simplified complex information & processes through live drawing.  
Visualized information design for print & multimedia communications.  
Directed output from copywriters, illustrators, web developers & animators.

## TOOLS:

After Effects  
Animate  
Dreamweaver  
Figma  
Illustrator  
InDesign  
Photoshop  
Premiere  
Sketch  
WordPress  
XD

**Designer** | Creative Center | 7/08 - 7/10

Responsible for visual design, information architecture, & front-end web development.  
Shot & edited video, storyboarded, & produced motion graphics.  
Scoped & managed projects, wrote technical requirements/functional specifications.

## AFFILIATIONS:

AMA Portland | Email Director, Facebook Director  
AIGA Portland | Chapter Historian, Networking Chair, Volunteer Chair, Web Co-chair

**EDUCATION:** BFA in Communication Design | Texas State University

*References available upon request.*