

Ruth Farrugia

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EDUCATION

- 5/2000 **Dawson College** Canada—QC—Montreal
D.E.C. (with honours)
·3-year career program in Graphic Design at the college level
·focus on practical application of design theory
·conceptual thinking encouraged
- 5/1994 **McGill University** Canada—QC—Montreal
·completed two years in Cultural Studies (film theory)
·B.A. not obtained
- 6/1992 **Fr. John Redmond** Canada—ON—Toronto
O.S.S.D.
·advanced level studies in a variety of subjects
- 6/1987 **Gifted Program** Canada—ON—Toronto
·4-year gifted program concurrent with elementary studies
·encouraged creativity and independent learning

EXPERIENCE

- 10/2000—Present **Public/Cultural Sector** Canada—QC—Montreal
Graphic Designer
·run art department, direct, design, and produce projects for municipality
·work together with various departments to create promotional materials, such as posters, flyers, invitations, signage, various other printed collateral (e.g. brochures, forms)
·regularly take projects from concept to print on very tight deadlines
·make contacts & work closely with suppliers
·update web pages & create original graphics
·provide custom illustration for certain projects
- 1997—present **Fishtank Communications** Canada—QC—Montreal
Owner & Operator
·art direct & design various print and web jobs for select group of clients
·websites: www.fishtankcommunications.com
www.microtec.net/~estria www.mastgroups.com
- Previous experience:**
·various positions in both libraries and book retail (including supervisor position)

SOFTWARE

- Both Mac and PC environments
Print: Adobe Photoshop, Adobe InDesign, Adobe Illustrator, QuarkXpress
Web: Adobe GoLive, Macromedia Dreamweaver, Macromedia Flash
Other: Infini-D, Office Software (Word, Excel, etc.)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- member of program evaluation committee for Dawson College Graphic Design program, as graduate member
- member of international organization of creative professionals: **Creative Latitude**, a worldwide community that unites various creative disciplines for collective promotion, education and ethical business practice
- participate in online design forum
- article published online: *Gaining Insight and Inspiration from Veteran Designers*
http://www.creativelatitude.com/articles/articles_farrugia_vets.html

PERSONAL INTERESTS & ACTIVITIES

- volunteered for community newspaper (writing, design, fundraising)
- avid reader, amateur gourmand, film buff
- 10 years of classical piano training

FULL PORTFOLIO REVIEW & REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST
(partial portfolio available on website)