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awards

JOHN R. FRAZIER AWARD 2008

Scholarship Award

Excellence in Teaching

JPMA BEST IN SHOW 1993

Juvenile Products Manufacturers Association Award Playskool 1-2-3 High Chair

CPSC AWARD 1993

Consumer Product Safety Commission award Playskool 1-2-3 HIgh Chair

GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS

IDSA STUDENT MERIT AWARD 1989

Industrial Design Society of America

RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL OF DESIGN 1995 - Present

Providence, Rhode Island Associate Professor of Industrial Design

Head of Department 2006 - 2010

IDSA NATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEMBER 1997 - 1999

Industrial Design Society of America, Washington, DC

Reviewed NASAD standards (National Association of Schools of Art and Design)

les&more 1995 - Present

Product Design Consultant

SAFTEY 1st 1994 - 1995

Juvenile and Infant Products Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts

Project Manager, Disney Products

HASBRO 1992 - 1994

Playskool Division Pawtucket, Rhode Island

Senior Product Designer, Juvenile Furniture

GRACO CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS 1991 - 1992

> Juvenile Products Elverson, Pennsylvania

Product Designer responsible for highchair category

1989 - 1991 **BRESSLERGROUP**

Medical and Consumer Products Philadelphia, Pennsylvania **Junior Product Designer**

INSTITUTE OF CONTEMPORARY ART 1987 - 1989

University of Pennsylvania Philadelphia, Pennsylvania **Membership Coordinator**



clients

projects

RHODE ISLAND SLEEP INSTITUTE

Warwick, Rhode Island

CASEY FARM

Saunderstown, Rhode Island

MATTEL

El Segundo, California

FISHER-PRICE

New York, New York

HASBRO

Pawtucket, Rhode Island

PLAYSKOOL

Pawtucket, Rhode Island

SAFETY 1st

Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts

TYCO TOYS

New York, New York

TOY BIZ, INC.

New York, New York

AEOLUS MEDICAL

Boston, Massachusetts

VIDEOLOGY

Lincoln, Rhode Island

GOLDEN BOOKS

New York, New York

SASSY BABY PRODUCTS

Kentwood, Michigan

SUMMER INFANT PRODUCTS

Lincoln, Rhode Island

MIXED MEDIA GROUP

New York, New York



courses taught

DESIGN PRINCIPLES

MANUFACTURING TECHNIQUES

THE ART OF WRITING WITH A.T. CROSS

RECYCLING AND REUSING

HISTORY OF ID

CAD

PRODUCT DESIGN 101

INTRO TO ID

PRESENTATION I AND II

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HOUSEWARES

UNILEVER - SPONSORED PROJECT

LG - SPONSORED PROJECT

MARKETING



college service

IDSA STUDENT CHAPTER ADVISOR

STUDENT GALLERY MANAGER

LECTURE SERIES MANAGER

CORE-CURRICULUM CHAIR

ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE

DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

VARIOUS SEARCH COMMITTEES

SOPHOMORE CURRICULUM COORDINATOR

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT

STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ACADEMIC POLICIES COMMITTEE + INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE