

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date of Birth: 10 January, 1974

Citizenship: South Africa

Sex: Male

EDUCATION

School:

1987 – 1991: Sedaven High School

Tertiary:

1992 – 1996: Vaal Triangle Technikon

Studied for a National Diploma in Graphic Design

PostGraduate:

1998 & 1999: Greenside Design Center / Nottingham Trent

Completed a BA Honours Degree in Graphic Design

2007-2010: Wits University

Completed an MA in Digital Interactive Arts.

2011 & 2012: Assessment College

Completed certificate in 'Conduct Outcomes-based Assessment' (2011)

Completed certificate in 'Conduct Moderation of Outcomes-based Assessments' (2012)

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

1995 – 1997

Hawnt House

Robin Worked for Hawnt House, a small Graphic Design agency. As a junior designer, he was involved in editorial, logo and packaging design.

1997- 2002

Greenside Design Center

Robin was employed by the Greenside Design Center, where he lectured in 1st year graphic design, 2nd year photography, and trained 3rd year graphic design students in the software packages required by industry.

1998 – 2001

Those Three

Robin and two other Design Center staff members founded a graphic design agency called Those Three. Partnered with Mozaic, a digital or online agency, Those Three retained clients such as Netcare, Brush-T, Indwe magazine and DeKat magazine to name a few.

2002-2003

Zero27

To gain more industry work experience, and to learn for about the digital sphere, Robin joined Zero27, a design agency with a digital offering.

2005 - 2009

Carbon Thinktank:

Robin partnered a design studio called the Carbon Thinktank. As a creative director, he was involved in a full covering of the digital design sphere, which included the realization of the potential of combination technologies, web strategy and physical computing.

2003 – Present

Greenside Design Center

Robin returned to the Greenside Design Center, where he lectured exit level multimedia students. He is also involved in the curriculum planning and running of the Visual Communication and Multimedia Honours (post grad) programmes. He was promoted to the position of senior lecturer in 2007, and Head of Department in 2013.

AWARDS:

1998 - An Honorable mention in the Nagoya Design Competition
1998 - A silver and Gold in the National Sappi Calendar Design Competition

JUDGING:

2006 - Participated as a judge for the national *Pica* awards
2012 - Participated as an online judge for the international *Poster for Tomorrow* competition

EXAMINATIONS:

2013 – Externally moderated 3rd & 4th year multimedia design student examinations for the University of Johannesburg

2013 – Externally moderated post graduate (Honors degree candidates) research papers (long essays) for the University of the Witwatersrand

2014 – Externally moderated the final exams for the Multimedia Design undergraduate programme at the University of Johannesburg.

2014 – Externally moderated student research reports for Digital Arts postgraduate (honours) Department at the University of the Witwatersrand.

2015 – Examined the midyear exams for the postgraduate (honours) Digital Arts (Interactive) programme at the University of the Witwatersrand.

2015 – Externally moderated the final exams for the Multimedia Design undergraduate programme at the University of Johannesburg

PRESENTATIONS, Conferences and Workshops:

2000 – Attended the Icoграда *Oullim* Congress in Seoul

2001 – Attended the joint Icoграда/IFI/Icsid congress in Sandton, JHB

2003 – Attended the ISTD (International Society of Typographic Design) Typ03 workshop and lecture

2006 – Attended the D&AD Xchange University Network, London

2008 – Attended the Design Indaba in Cape Town

2008 – Exhibited work at the Wits Arts and Literature Experience

2009 - Presented to at Cumulus which lead to GDC being the nominated host of the international conference

2013 – Attended Cumulus Conference (Design Education Conference) in Dublin

2013 – Attended Cumulus Conference in Porto (Portugal)

2014 – Participated in the ICOGRADA Design Educators working group in Hong Kong

2014 – Co-presented and wrote a paper (with Kathryn Pope) entitled “Implementing the Kyoto Design Declaration’s commitment to socially responsible design education: Reflecting on the challenges facing design educators” at the first Cumulus Conference to be held in Africa.

2014 – Was involved in the 2014 Cumulus Johannesburg Leaders working group in which he helped to develop the first draft of the design educators Oath and Manifesto

2015 – Was invited to and participated in the “Reflecting on Brand Lebanon” symposium in Beirut, Lebanon. As well as conducted a week long Masters Class or workshop in Data Visualisation to Masters Students at the Université de Balamand Académie des Beaux-Arts, Beirut.

2015 – Attended Cumulus Conference in Milan (Italy)

2015 – Co-presented at the 3rd Annual Design Educators Conference and presenting "Challenges and Recommendations for Community Engagement Design Initiatives: A Case Study from South Africa."

INTERESTS

Design Thinking, photography, technology, illustration, typography, electronics, user experience design, user interface design, corporate identity and logo design, architecture, physical computing and new media.