



Luis Garcia Jr.

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Skills

Teaching and Instruction
Artistic Creativity & Concept Development
Studio & Workplace Safety
Digital Design & Illustration
Adobe Creative Suite

- Photoshop,
- Illustrator,
- InDesign

Layout & Print Design
Fabrication & Metalworking
Collaborative Teamwork & Project Management

Accomplishments

Engaged Scholar & Artist Award (ESAA) Recipient
Research project on knife-making and material exploration, focusing on material properties, durability, and aesthetic integration.

Education

Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA): Graphic Design
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
Edinburg, TX
Expected Graduation: May 2025

Certifications

Stop the Bleed Certified – Emergency First Aid & Trauma Training
Forklift Certified – Safety and Operational Training

Languages

English – Professional Proficiency
Spanish – Bilingual

Professional Summary

Dynamic and innovative professional with extensive experience as a freelance graphic designer and fabricator, as well as a studio technician/art studio assistant at UTRGV. Excels in collaborative teamwork, artistic creativity, and problem-solving while enhancing project outcomes and studio efficiency. Highly proficient in Adobe Creative Suite, digital design, and fabrication techniques, with a strong foundation in layout design, material exploration, and studio safety. Adept at mentoring and instructing students, fostering an environment of creativity and learning. Consistently delivers high-quality projects that exceed expectations.

Work Experience

Art Studio Assistant / Studio Technician
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley | Edinburg, TX
2023-Current

- Managed and maintained studio equipment, ensuring optimal functionality and adherence to safety protocols.
- Assisted faculty and students in creative workshops, demonstrations, and technical processes related to printmaking, sculpture, and digital media.
- Provided logistical support for visiting artists, ensuring access to necessary resources and a seamless workshop experience.
- Facilitated community art initiatives, engaging diverse audiences in art appreciation and hands-on creative exploration.
- Supervised studio operations, ensuring efficient workflow and adherence to institutional guidelines.

Freelance Graphic Designer
Self-Employed | Pharr, TX
2021- Current

- Conceptualized and developed visually compelling print materials, including brochures, banners, and advertisements.
- Designed engaging social media content, increasing user engagement and online visibility.
- Managed multiple projects simultaneously, ensuring timely delivery while maintaining exceptional design standards.
- Utilized Adobe Creative Suite to execute high-quality digital and print designs aligned with client branding and objectives.

Freelance Fabricator (Knife Maker)
Self-Employed | Pharr, TX
2015- Current

- Utilized precision metalworking techniques, including welding, grinding, and shaping, to create custom knives.
- Conducted material testing and analysis to enhance durability, functionality, and aesthetic appeal.
- Ensured compliance with OSHA safety regulations, maintaining a safe and efficient workshop environment.
- Engineered innovative fabrication solutions, resulting in high-quality custom pieces tailored to client needs.
- Managed project timelines, budgets, and resource allocation, ensuring successful project execution.

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[Hiring Manager's Name]
[Company/Organization Name]
[Company Address]
[City, State, ZIP Code]

Subject: Application for [Job Title] Position

Dear [Hiring Manager's Name],

I am excited to apply for the [Job Title] position at [Company Name]. As a graphic design student at UTRGV with a minor in manufacturing engineering, I have developed a strong foundation in visual communication, problem-solving, and fabrication techniques that align with this role. My experience as a freelance graphic designer and fabricator has allowed me to blend creativity with hands-on craftsmanship, producing functional and visually compelling work.

My background in both digital and physical design gives me a unique perspective when tackling creative challenges. Whether working on branding, digital media, or hands-on fabrication projects, I am passionate about combining artistry with precision engineering. I thrive in collaborative environments where I can contribute innovative ideas and problem-solving skills.

I am eager for the opportunity to bring my skills and enthusiasm to your team. I would love to discuss how my experience and creative approach can contribute to [Company Name]. Please feel free to contact me at your convenience to arrange a conversation.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,
Luis Garcia