

Luke McKenzie

interactive development and design

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Dallas, Texas

Interactive developer, designer and programmer with experience in information design, user experience, identity design, illustration and print design, and lifelong fascinations with clocks, music and typography.

Experience

The Dallas Opera dallasopera.org
Manager of Creative and Interactive July 2013–present
Develop and maintain website, Tessitura Network web product integration, data tools, and git repository; produce creative assets for print and web, photos, videos and illustrations; work events
Interactive Production Manager June 2011–present
Contractor 2004–present
Print and interactive design

**Institute for Interactive Arts and Engineering,
University of Texas at Dallas** iiae.utdallas.edu
Research assistant Aug 2009–May 2011
Helping to develop web portal and interactive content for graduate neonatal nursing education

Radio UTD radioutd.com
Systems Administrator Sep 2006–May 2008
Redesigned/maintained website and database tools; assisted branding; maintained equipment
“Pianissimo” producer and DJ Jan 2007–Dec 2009

A Modest Proposal amp.utdallas.edu
Editor Sep 2007–May 2008
Oversaw production with fellow editors
Contributor Sep 2006–present
Designed/maintained website; assisted print redesign; produced layouts, illustrations, stories

The Covenant School covenantdallas.com
Substitute teacher 2007–2008
Supervised high school art classes; tutored in Photoshop, InDesign, and traditional art

three architecture threearch.com
Modeling intern Jun 2006–Aug 2007
Rendered 3D models in SketchUp, Photoshop; produced prints, animations

The UTD Mercury utdmercury.com
Managing Editor Apr 2005–Apr 2006
Oversaw layout; supervised staff, equipment; *The Mercury* won a Pacemaker, the Associated Collegiate Press’ highest honor, in Oct. 2005

Web Editor Sep 2004–Apr 2005
Redesigned website; assisted print redesign

Contributor Sep 2004–Aug 2007
Produced layouts, illustrations, stories, photos; my work placed in competitions at two Texas Intercollegiate Press Association conventions

Addison Clock & Watch Addison, TX
Repair technician Mar 2002–Jul 2004
Repaired clocks; attended clients; managed projects, database, advertising design

Projects

Apt Clock 2012
Google Calendar appointment visualizer.
Experiment in Google APIs and HTML5 canvas.
apt.theclockspot.com

What Time Is It Really? 2011
Experiment in nontraditional timescales.
whattimeisitreally.com (Flash)

The Gummi Gang web animation 2010
Animator and developer; Flash; with a friend.
Experiment in scripted nonlinear storytelling.
gummigang.com (Flash)

Power Play Flash game 2009
UI designer and frontend developer; with two others. Teaches circuit design.
theclockspot.com/powerplay (Flash)

State Flash game 2010
UI designer and frontend developer; with three others. Asynchronous gameplay.

Like a Donut video blog 2008–2009
UI designer, frontend developer, video editor, actor; with a friend. Experiments with nonlinear topical navigation. Undergraduate thesis.
likeadonut.com (Flash)

Black and White webcomic 2004–2009
Cartoonist and web developer; solo project.
Earned third in comics at Associated Collegiate Press’ National College Media Convention, 2005.
bwcartoon.com

Wise Turtle Band 2007–2009
Keyboards, accordion, vocals, audio editor; with four others.

The Space Cows webcomic 2007–2009
Colorist and web developer; with a friend.
Experiments with painterly illustration styles.
thespacecows.com

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- Education**
- University of Texas at Dallas** Dallas, Texas Sep 2009–Dec 2012
Master of Fine Arts, Arts and Technology
 - Academy of Art University** San Francisco, California Sep 2008–May 2009
Credit earned toward Computer Arts New Media MFA
 - University of Texas at Dallas** Dallas, Texas Sep 2004–May 2008
BA, Arts and Technology, earned May 2008, GPA 3.6
Collegium V honors college; Academic Excellence scholarship, McDermott Scholar finalist
 - The Covenant School** Dallas, Texas
High school diploma, earned May 2004

Technical skills

Media production

Adobe Creative Suite
InDesign, Photoshop,
Premiere, Illustrator,
Audition, Flash
Apple Final Cut
Apple Logic
Sound Studio
Google SketchUp

Programming and markup

XHTML • CSS
PHP • MySQL
JavaScript • jQuery • Ajax
Flash ActionScript 2 / 3
Google Apps Script
Smarty • WordPress
Objective-C (learning)
Java (barely)

Productivity / miscellaneous

Tessitura Network products
Git revision control
Basecamp
Google Apps
OpenOffice.org
Microsoft Office, Access
Apple iLife, iWork
Mac OS, Linux, Windows

Portfolio

Please view a sampling of my work at theclockspot.com/portfolio.

Other interests

Clock and watch making and repair

- National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors member since 2003

Graphic and information design

- Society for News Design former member

Typography
Cartography
Interactive/UX design

Programming
Cartooning
Photography
Music production (keyboards)
Bicycling, motorcycling
French (un peu)