
Justin Armburger

Art Director & Designer

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Creative Director

Associated Luxury Hotels International

June 2022 – Present

Working with the editorial director of ALHI, we built Beyond the Meeting Room, a publication for ALHI members worldwide, that provides compelling stories and interviews outside of the industry. I work with freelance illustrators, photographers and writers each issue to create this national award-winning magazine.

Floral Designer and Marketing

Molly Taylor and Co.

March 2022 – Present

At one of Ohio's premier floral design studios, I work with private and corporate clients to create floral arrangements and installations for everything from intimate gatherings to large events. I'm also in charge of our company's website upkeep and messaging, as well as marketing and social media campaigns.

Freelance Creative Director

Websites, Magazines and Branding

January 2022 – Present

As a freelance creative director, I have worked with design agencies, international associations, small businesses and political campaigns to build websites, rebrand companies and create publications from the ground up.

Senior Art Director

GIE Media

October 2013 – October 2021

I was the art director for Lawn & Landscape, Cannabis Dispensary, and Quality Assurance magazines. My responsibilities included:

- Plan and layout all print and digital editions
- Creating all marketing and event collateral in coordination with our marketing director and event director
- Hiring, conceiving with and directing freelance photographers and illustrators

Adjunct Professor, Magazine Design & PR Publications

Kent State University

January 2016 – May 2022

For six years, I taught Magazine Design, which takes students through the theory of magazine design to learning Adobe Creative Suite to create their own publications. Prior to that, I taught PR Publications, which helps students take PR principles to write and design effectively.

Awards

2025 Azbee Awards

National Gold – Magazine Design

Beyond the Meeting Room – ALHI

2024 Azbee Awards

National Gold – Magazine Design

Beyond the Meeting Room – ALHI

National Finalist – Magazine of the Year

Beyond the Meeting Room – ALHI

2021 Azbee Awards

National Silver – Design / Original Research

Lawn & Landscape

2020 Azbee Awards

National Gold – Opening Spread, Illustration

Lawn & Landscape

2019 Azbee Awards

National Gold – Magazine Design

Cannabis Dispensary

2018 Folio Awards

Winner – The Folio: 100

Winner – New Magazine Design

Cannabis Dispensary

Honorable Mention – Media Kit Design

GIE Horticulture Media Kit

2018 Azbee Awards

National Gold – New Publication Design

Cannabis Dispensary

2013 Keystone Press Awards

First Place – Front Page Design

Pennsylvania Newspaper Association

Skills

Adobe Creative Suite

InDesign, Photoshop, Illustrator, After Effects

Figma

Canva