



JACOB VAN LOON

Illustrator & designer

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Collaborating with clientele to obtain and complete a visual idea using the tools of creative analysis, illustration and design.

## EDUCATION

### ***Northern Illinois University***

8/2008 – 5/2011

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Illustration

### ***Oakton Community College***

8/2005 – 12/2007

Graphic design with concentration in photography & Fine Arts

## SKILLS

- Adobe CS (Photoshop, Illustrator, Dreamweaver, Indesign)
- Word processing software
- Mac OS X
- Windows 7
- Experience with digital pre-press
- Traditional media with watercolor & mixed media concentration
- Analog and digital photography

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### ***Freelance illustration and design, Chicago area, IL 1/2006 – C***

Commercial utilization of skills acquired over several years of Fine Arts, design and photography training received at accredited schools in Illinois. Layout and design completed for packaging, web, and other promotional product.

Decorative original work created for gallery exhibition & private collections.

### ***Clients:***

16OH Records, Hellfish Records, DEN,  
LukeShumard.com, Millenials Online Magazine,  
Alamo Drafthouse Theater

*See website*

### ***Internship at Inflatable 3 Chicago, IL***

GRAPHIC DESIGN INTERN, 1/2008 – 6/2008

- Assisting lead designer on various projects via product photography retouching, concept illustration for branding and packaging materials, and some layout work for packaging/promotional material.

### ***Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL***

ILLUSTRATION MEDIA LAB ASSISTANT, 8/2010 – 5/2011

- Assisting faculty with the design, printing and posting of inner-campus promotional material.
- Assisting respective students with digital file troubleshooting, corrections & printing.

ALTGELD MUSEUM ATTENDANT, 8/2010 – 5/2011

- Maintaining and monitoring of art exhibits in the North and South galleries, including any and all forms of instillation, digital and interactive artwork.
- Providing assistance and information to museum guests; also providing coordination assistance for visiting school groups and organizations, coordinating directly with other museum staff and visiting artists on exhibition instillation.

JACK OLSON GALLERY UNDERGRAD ASSISTANT, 8/2008 – 5/2011

- Exhibit instillation/uninstalls, directly handling a wide variety of artwork, utilizing several methods of hanging and mounting.
- Routine gallery maintenance and minor construction. Assisted the gallery coordinator in 2009, creating a work and office space consisting of three rooms equipped with lighting systems, shelving, and counterspace.
- Maintaining Jack Olson's web identity from five different websites, and a variety of inner-campus clerical work.
- Gallery documentation and photo editing (Adobe CS).

### ***Oakton Community College, DesPlaines, IL***

PHOTO DEPT. LAB & CLASSROOM ASSISTANT, 1/2006 – 12/2007

- Developing and processing chemistry mixing, enlarger/darkroom maintenance.
- Student print and film consultation regarding work completed in darkroom facilities.
- Faculty and student assistance was required with lighting projects, presentations, and lectures.
- Faculty and student assistance with the handling/editing/revision of digital, print and multimedia projects.
- Clerical work, equipment rentals, inventory, and a major reformatting/reorganization of the available facilities in 2007.