# JANA BENDER

#### CREATIVE DIRECTOR

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## SKILLS

#### **PROFESSIONAL**

- Account-Based Marketing
- Brand Archetypes & Strategy
- Brainstorming & Ideation
- B2B Campaign Execution
- Concept Development
- Content Audit & Strategy
- Copywriting & Storytelling
- Customer Journey Mapping
- Competitive Analysis
- Lead & Demand Generation
- Messaging House & Strategy
- Persona Development
- Research & Insights
- Sales Playbooks

# EDUCATION

# BACHELOR OF ARTS

Journalism Major / Psychology Minor San Diego State University

# PROFILE

Passionate, award-winning creative director of copy & content, storyteller, and content strategist. Collaborate with teams of copywriters, designers, and content specialists to deliver impactful creative. Proven track record of creating brand awareness, lead-generation, demand generation, and account-based marketing campaigns that drive leads, loyalty, and revenue.

# WORK EXPERIENCE

## **CREATIVE LEAD | COPY & CONTENT**

Finfare, Inc., Irvine, CA

| 04/2024 - 12/2024

- Spearheaded complex concepts through compelling copy, content, and messaging strategies that drive engagement, leads, and revenue across the customer journey.
- Bolstered B2B campaigns using strategic storytelling across integrated 360 go-to-market campaigns—blog posts, social media, websites, email campaigns, and all content.
- Ignited strategic insights to position clients as thought leaders across all touchpoints.

#### **CREATIVE DIRECTOR | COPY & CONTENT**

Intelligent Demand, Denver, CO (Remote from Aliso Viejo, CA) | 04 / 2022 - 12 / 2023

- Directed and led several B2B client teams to foster growth, loyalty, and revenue via brand awareness, lead generation, demand generation, and ABM campaigns.
- Mentored and managed a team of copywriters and art directors to deliver award-winning integrated B2B marketing campaigns using best practices for copy, content, and design.
- Delivered only best-in-class creative to help pitch, land, and lead our clients and teams.

## **ASSOCIATE CREATIVE DIRECTOR I COPY & CONTENT**

Intelligent Demand, Denver, CO (Remote from Aliso Viejo, CA) | 07 / 2020 - 04 / 2022

- Developed an ABM campaign for Ping Identity that won 6 Gold Fourteener Awards for best AMB program—and generated 97 meetings and \$18.2M in pipeline revenue.
- Championed an ABM campaign for IntelePeer that won 6 awards for best results and killer content—and drove 351 meetings and \$3.1M in pipeline revenue.
- Won the Kaiser Permanente account—growing revenue from \$450k to \$2.5M in one year.

#### SENIOR STORYTELLER & CREATIVE TEAM LEAD

90octane, Denver, CO

| 09/2015 - 10/2019

- Created messaging strategies, copy, and content from ideation to full-funnel integration.
- Pitched and won new business on key accounts like Oracle, Visa, Boeing, and Jeppesen.
- Drove agency revenue as a team lead/ACD by growing client revenue from \$300-\$900k.

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# SKILLS

#### **TECHNICAL**

- Apple Keynote
- Adobe Acrobat
- Asana
- Basecamp
- ChatGPT
- Figma
- Google Suite
- Microsoft Office
- Miro Board

# CLIENTS

- Adobe
- Authorize.Net
- Bank of America
- Blue Shield
- Cheetah Digital
- Cisco Systems
- Gogo Business Aviation
- Hewlett Packard
- Kaiser Permanente
- Microsoft
- Intel
- IntelePeer
- Nike
- Oracle
- Ping Identity
- San Francisco Opera
- Sony
- Trimble
- Visa
- Wells Fargo

# WORK EXPERIENCE CONTINUED

#### STORYTELLER & CONTENT STRATEGIST

90octane, Denver, CO

09/2014-09/2015

- Specialized in B2B messaging and content strategies to enhance the customer experience.
- Conducted customer journey maps, brand archetypes and insights, voice, and personas.
- Developed integrated strategies and KPIs for lead-gen, nurture, and ABM campaigns.

#### FREELANCE SENIOR COPYWRITER & ACD

JB: Copy, Concepts & Creative Direction, Denver, CO

1 09 / 2006 - 09 / 2014

- Operated as an individual agency and ACD, creating all copy, concepts, and content.
- Developed brand concepts, guidelines, and copy for start-up retail and travel websites.
- Wrote all campaign copy for Sony, Microsoft, Cisco Systems, and Nike, increasing revenue.

#### **SENIOR COPYWRITER**

FusionDM (Publicis Dialog), San Francisco

109/2004-09/2006

- Created a 60-page hardback book that won a Gold Icon Award for Cisco Systems.
- Conceived campaign concepts and wrote lead-gen, branding, and retention content.
- Wrote all campaign copy for Sony, Microsoft, Cisco Systems, and Nike, increasing revenue.

## AWARDS

#### **FOURTEENER AWARDS, 2021**

Gold Best Strategy: Ping Identity

Gold: Best ABM Program

Gold: Sales Enablement Program

Gold: Email Strategy

Gold: MA/Lead Nurture Program

Gold: Sales Enablement

#### **FOURTEENER AWARDS, 2020**

Best Results: IntelePeer

Gold: Best Long-Form Content

Silver: ABM Program

Silver: B2B Campaign

Silver: Product/Solution Program

Silver: Sales Enablement

#### **FOURTEENER AWARDS, 2019**

Gold Best Creative, Trimble
Gold Best Results, Authorize.Net
Gold Icon Award, Cisco Systems
Pioneer Award, Cisco Systems
Caples International Award

# **BMA KEYS AWARDS, 2017**

BMA Gold Best B2B, Gates BMA Gold Best Design, Gates The Finny's: Killer Content Award, IntelePeer