

# AMBER BLAHNIK

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*To whom it may concern,*

I am keenly interested in attaining a position with your company and would appreciate the opportunity to meet with you to discuss opportunities and value I will bring to your team.

I am an exceptionally creative person with a life-long artistic background and broad range of skills in various media. I have been an in-house graphic & web designer for 10+ years with experience working with high-profile clientele, company marketing departments, and creative agencies.

Some of the expertise I will bring to the table include:

- Solid design skills and experience delivering a variety of elegant solutions within time and budget constraints.
- Excellent planning, problem solving, and efficiency organizing a variety of project types.
- Consistently practice clear and concise communication in all aspects of my workflow process.
- Accustomed to meeting the demands of working in a remote position, being held highly accountable, and practicing daily time-management and tracking criteria.
- Experienced with guiding others in a leadership role and relied upon daily for my expertise and knowledge.
- Team player who is used to working closely with globally dispersed teams including other designers, developers, project managers, executives, marketing, sales, IT, and customer/technical support personnel.
- Attentive to the always-changing design aesthetics and technology trends in the industry.
- Passionate about the future, I am a forward-thinker and always seeking to grow as a professional and individual.
- Flexible with my schedule and acclimated to working nights, weekends, and holidays as need demands.
- Willingness and eagerness to travel.

My latest position was working remotely as **Senior Designer & Web Developer** at Witt O'Brien's (PIER™ Platform & Services division) for 8+ years. My primary position was design-orientated, but I have worn many hats in my long time working there. I am commonly known as a jack-of-all-trades designer and thinker. Through my job, I've worked with clients in many large corporations, government, military, healthcare, and education industries. I feel my current experience and adaptability will make for a brilliant and exciting career with your company.

Thank you for your consideration,

- Amber Blahnik

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## SKILLS

Adobe Creative Suite:  
Photoshop, Illustrator,  
InDesign. Dreamweaver.  
Sketch. UI & UX. Invision.  
Axure. OmniGraffle.  
Responsive web design.  
Bootstrap. Foundation.  
HTML5. CSS. Sass. Grids.  
Wordpress. Git & GitHub.  
Email campaign design.  
Wireframes/prototyping/  
mockups. Style guides.  
Useability. Accessibility.  
Browser/mobile testing.  
Social Media. Analytics.  
SEO. Branding & identity.  
Logos. Illustration. Video  
production. Agile/Scrum.  
Google Suite. MS Office.  
Mac & Windows.

## REFERENCES

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## Senior Designer & Web Developer

| *Witt O'Brien's / PIER™ Platform & Services - (worked remotely)*

*August 2008 – March 2017*

I began at PIER Systems LLC in Bellingham, WA as lead **Graphic Designer** in charge of creating client websites and company marketing materials. As the company evolved, I was promoted to **Senior Designer & Web Developer**. My primary task was creating PIER™ websites for clients in preparation for and during crises, responses, drills, and JICs (Joint Information Centers). My duties also included assisting Marketing with corporate websites and materials; supporting Programmers with UI design, product development & testing; and assisting Project Managers and Technical Support staff daily. Through PIER, I have extensive experience working in the Crisis Management and Emergency Response field and am accustomed to working in an environment that requires: **being flexible with duties and tasks, meeting tight deadlines and last-minute requests, daily time management and tracking, working nights/weekends/holidays as need demands, training and drill support, extending my technical assistance to dispersed teams, giving key presentations to stakeholders, practicing confidentiality and upholding legal restrictions, and a willingness to travel**. I have designed and developed PIER websites for many high-profile customers in the Oil Industry incl. ExxonMobil, BP, Shell, Plains All American Pipeline, Marathon, Sunoco, Apache, Statoil, PBF Energy, Par Petroleum, Chevron, Alyeska, LLOG Exploration, Murphy Oil; Government agencies incl. US Coast Guard, NASA, US Army, US Navy, EPA, Houston UASI, Atlanta UASI, GEMA, LADWP, City of San Jose, Utah EMD; Corporations incl. Xerox, Purina, Brookshire Grocery, Allstate, Ameren; and many others.

## Graphic Designer

| *Cascade DAFO - Ferndale, WA*

*August 2007 – August 2008*

I was the exclusive in-house Designer responsible for the production of marketing materials and creative projects for the company, and the Web Master in charge of editing HTML & CSS, creating graphics and online videos, and re-designing the company's corporate website. Big projects included: creating new branding for the JumpStart® line of products (logos still used today); re-branding the corporate image; creating an eStore website and training all sales, marketing and business staff on how to operate the site and manage orders. Aside from design, I also photographed products, models, and employees for use in promotional materials and created the monthly employee newsletter.

## Degree in Visual Communications

| *Whatcom Community College - Bellingham, WA*

*Fall 2004 - Summer 2007*

I have an innate passion for learning and continue to teach myself new things every day, enjoy doing intensive research, and consistently keep up with current trends in the design, web, and tech industries.