
MONTY SMITH

STATEMENT

I began designing jacquard fabrics in 1988. During the following thirty years as a technical designer, my responsibilities have broadened to include working with all mill departments to assist in addressing issues, troubleshooting problems, and facilitating solutions.

EXPERIENCE

DIRECTOR OF PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT, WEARBEST SIL-TEX MILLS
– 2004-2018

Responsible for managing all aspects of the CAD process, team, and studio; planning, coordinating, and delegating work within the CAD department; hiring, training and managing departmental staff; consulting with Stylists and Production Department to evaluate immediate and ongoing priorities to establish an efficient, effective work flow; diagnosing and troubleshooting any technical design issues. Worked directly with customers on Customs product. Created and maintained weave libraries.

SENIOR DESIGNER, WEARBEST SIL-TEX MILLS, NEW YORK, NY – 2003-2004
Technical design of jacquard fabrics; assisting the Director of Product Development; assisting stylists and CAD designers at all levels of the design and development process.

DESIGNER, WEAVE CORPORATION, DENVER, PA – 1990-2003
Extensive experience in all aspects of technical (CAD) design of woven fabrics, including scanning and editing artwork, creation and application of weaves, generation of loom files, and critique of woven samples; assisted in the development of tapestry product; CAD trainer for new design department employees; Lead Designer for second shift in studio.

DESIGNER, COLLINS & AIKMAN HOME FABRICS, CONCORD, NC – 1988-1990
Trained in the technical design of jacquard fabrics on point paper (graph paper), without the use of CAD systems; developed weave libraries, with concentration in tapestry weaves; manually altered loom cards to correct mistakes or problems in woven samples.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHARLOTTE – BFA, 1986

SKILLS

High aptitude for learning, assimilating, and applying technical information; good organizational and communication skills, especially with regard to technical information; extensive experience training employees in software applications and departmental processes and practices. EAT, JacqCAD, Microsoft Office, Photoshop.

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