# ANNA **HECKER** CREATIVE DIRECTOR

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# PROFILE

Strategy-first creative direction with deep roots in copywriting, branding, and UX. Bring me your thorniest marketing problems and I'll partner with you to deliver elegant, data-informed results.

# SKILLS

- Creative team management
- Cross-channel collaboration
- 360° campaigns
- UX writing
- Verbal identity
- Positioning
- Content
- SEO/SEM
- Deck narratives
- Pitches

# VERTICALS

- B2B
- Finance
- Technology
- Education/Non-Profit
- Food/Beverage/CPG
- Beauty/Fashion/Luxury
- Entertainment

# EXPERIENCE

#### **CREATIVE DIRECTOR**

Dentsu Creative, New York/Remote

July 2019 - Present

- Lead a 10-person team focused on brand positioning and digital innovation for American Express B2B products and services.
- Shape creative strategy and future vision for Amex B2B web properties, including acquisition pages and content hubs.
- Manage messaging and claims projects across Amex B2B, B2C, and Travel/Lifestyle.
- Consult on naming, positioning, product innovation, and UX writing for Amex and others.

# **FREELANCE**

New York/Remote

2014-2019

#### **Agencies**

mcgarrybowen, Laird + Partners, Johannes Leonardo, BYND, Company Cue, noformat, Orbtec.

#### **Brands**

American Express, Google, M&M'S, The Environmental Defense Fund, American Red Cross, FitBit, Four Seasons Resorts, Hoover, HUE, Jameson, Jimmy Choo, Mastercard, Michaels, M&M'S, PHD Rimmel, Scion, Swarovski, THINK Global School, YouTube.

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# EDUCATION

#### THE NEW SCHOOL

MFA, Fiction Writing

#### **NEW YORK UNIVERSITY**

BA, Liberal Arts

# PUBLICATIONS

#### **EDITORIAL**

- The New York Times
- ELLE
- Cosmopolitan
- Refinery29
- PureWow
- McSweeney's

#### **SPONSORED**

- Gawker Media
- · Refinery29
- VICE
- Slate
- The Daily Beast
- The Washington Post

# VOLUNTEER

# **NEIGHBORS TOGETHER**

Board Member, 2019 - Present Committee Chair, 2021 - Present

# Freelance Highlights

2014-2019

- Managed a freelance copy team developing 300+ SEO product and category pages for M&M'S.
- Created new brand voice and assets for THINK Global School, increasing enrollment by 500%.
- Strategized, implemented, and optimized a content strategy for HomeAdvisor, driving significant gains in search and engagement.

# ASSOCIATE COPY DIRECTOR

Hearst, New York

2013 - 2014

Oversaw native and integrated campaigns for 18 digital properties.

#### **SENIOR PROMOTIONS EDITOR**

DailyCandy, New York

2012 - 2013

Raised the average open rate for dedicated e-mails by 21%.

## FREELANCE COPYWRITER

New York

2010 - 2012

American Express, BBC, Comedy Central, MTV, The New York Times.

## **SENIOR COPYWRITER**

Night Agency, New York

2009 - 2010

Dial, Happy Baby, Hanes, Keds, Playtex, Shiseido, SoftScrub.

#### SENIOR COPYWRITER

G2 Interactive, New York

2008 - 2009

M&M'S, CoverGirl, Campbell's, Pepperidge Farm.

## **COPYWRITER**

Organic, New York

2006 - 2008

Bank of America.