

# LAUREN NYQUIST

DESIGNER / ILLUSTRATOR / WRITER

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## SOFTWARE

#### Design

Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, and Acrobat, Canva

#### Information

Microsoft Excel, Word, PowerPoint, Google Drive, Sheets, Docs, Slides, Forms, and Keep, Dropbox, WorldCat, MeLCat, Overdrive, Libby, Dewey Decimal System

## Marketplace

Shopify, Square

#### Communication

Slack, Zoom, Gmail, Outlook, Google Meet, Constant Contact, Blogger

## SKILLS

- ·Cheerful customer service
- ·SEO research and best practices
- ·Organization and data management
- HTML code for blog formatting

## **STRENGTHS**

- ·Comfortable working in a team environment and independently
- · Attentive listener and effective communicator
- Friendly and collaborative demeanor
- ·Highly organized
- ·Curious and a fast learner

## INTERESTS

Native wildlife, citizen science, children's literature, poetry, vintage design, houseplant collection

## **EDUCATION**

2015 - 2019

College for Creative Studies · Detroit, MI

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Illustration, concentration in Creative Writing

## **EXPERIENCE**

## November 2019 - May 2021

Published Members Coordinator · SCBWI Michigan Chapter Nonprofit • michigan.scbwi.org

- · Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators
- ·Volunteered between 5-20 hours each week, depending on the time of year.
- ·Worked with Michigan Chapter Leadership team, attending high-level discussions related to regional goals and member outreach
- ·Acted as connection between authors and event organizers to coordinate author and SCBWI promotion at events from statewide fairs to local, library-hosted events
- •Used Constant Contact to create biannual newsletters advertising upcoming events and opportunities
- ·Conducted and edited over 30 interviews for The Book Birthday Blog
- Designed digital magazine for SCBWI Michigan's Spring Conference of 2021, including over 70 titles and a partnership with local bookstore chain

## July 2019 - June 2021

## **Designer, Content Writer, Storefront Associate** • Peninsulas

Berkley, Michigan • shoppeninsulas.com

- •Designed in-store signage, social media, and blog imagery with Adobe Illustrator
- •Wrote over 600 social media posts for Instagram and Facebook, and over 20 blog posts
- •Wrote and managed Shopify product descriptions
- •Key holder, opened and closed storefront, operated register, and handled cash
- ·Answered in-person and telephone inquiries and assisted customers
- · Developed inventory management system for backroom
- ·Created employee guides for returns and exchange protocol

## January 2018 - Present

## Freelance Illustrator, Designer, and Writer

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania · laurennyquist.com

- ·Creates illustrations and designs for shirts, bags, drinkware, embroidery and embossing, product packaging, and print posters, logos, email, and social media
- Provides art direction for studios
- ·Writes blogs about wildlife, state parks, travel, literature, and local history

Selected clients: Peninsulas, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, TriMet, Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, A Book A Day