



KIRK DAMER
GRAPHIC DESIGN
ILLUSTRATION

I'VE GOT THE CHOPS

About Me

I use both a computer and a drawing board for most of my projects. Ideation, research and experimentation guide my design process. I'm always down to collaborate with clients big and small on projects related to music, art and culture. No project is too unusual.

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SOFTWARE

InDesign
Illustrator
Photoshop
After Effects

SKILLS

Illustration
Typography
Poster Design
Branding
Logo Design
Murals
Motion Graphics
Signage
Print Production

EDUCATION

AAS, Graphic Design

Seattle Central Creative Academy
2016–2018

BA, Creative Studies

University of California Santa Barbara
2004–2008

EXPERIENCE

Seattle Stranger

Graphic Production, 2017–present

I was responsible for designing promotional materials, posters, print and web ads for The Stranger and the Portland Mercury. This was a fast-paced environment with tight deadlines. I juggled projects, salvaged low quality assets and interfaced with a wide variety of clients via The Stranger's ad reps.

Linda's Tavern

Illustration and Graphic Design, 2016–present

I freelance for Linda's Tavern to create custom illustrated poster, mural and t-shirt designs. Each of these fun projects presented me with unique design challenges and considerations.

Pony Nightclub

Illustration and Graphic Design, 2016–2018

I've designed much of their merch, posters, ads, environmental graphics and more. My favorite project has been designing the bar's new matchbooks. It was my first time working with a large scale printer, integrating microtype with illustration, using spot colors and designing across Adobe programs.

Hero Worship Events

Graphic Design and Illustration, 2016–2017

My most popular illustrations involve pen and ink portraits used to promote Hero Worship tribute parties. These events bring fans of famous musicians together for live performances and deejay sets. I've illustrated original portraits of Robert Smith, Stevie Nicks, Dolly Parton, Grace Jones and many others. These portraits spawned a popular t-shirt line and are sold on Hero Worship's Etsy shop.

Central Co-op

Sign Painting and Customer Service, 2016

In addition to helping every department with essential customer service tasks, I was in charge of creating hand-painted signs for the deli, meat, produce and marketing departments.