# BENJAMIN FORDE

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Born in London, United Kingdom Education in Paris, France Graduated high school in 1988 Speaks Fluent French and English, strong Spanish.

#### SCOPE OF EXPERIENCE

Branding, Communication, Digital and Design across a vast array of industries, vehicles and objectives combined with a hands-on, detailed understanding of the processes involved in photo and TV shoots, print production, interactive web applications, VIP talent management, on air, motion, complex fabrication and production management.

#### 🔰 July 2012 - present

## FORDESIGN, CREATIVE DIRECTOR / PRINCIPAL, Scottsdale / Puerto Vallarta

Fordesign is a marketing studio specializing in brand image, corporate Identity, branding and advertising for a variety of clients mainly in the equine sports, extreme sports, weapons systems and luxury travel fields.

# December 2009 - June 2012

#### FAZZA SKY / SKYDIVE DUBAI, CREATIVE DIRECTOR Dubai, U.A.E. Responsible for the image creation, brand development and marketing of Fazza Sky and Skydive Dubai.

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Additional responsibilities include logo development and merchandising for Inflight Wind Tunnels, Fazza Racing and Nad Al Sheba Stables.

#### 🔰 June 2006 - November 2009

#### AND COMPANY, ASSOCIATE CREATIVE DIRECTOR Beverly Hills, CA

Assigned primarily to the sports segment of And Company whose clients included ESPN, CBS Sports and the NFL; additionally, directed teams in pitches and campaigns for CBS, HBO, Sundance Channel, Bravo, FX, Lifetime and the Los Angeles Opera.

Work included branding, conceptualization and design of campaigns and television network print takeovers, photo shoots, on-air and interactive integration.

#### May 2004 - 2006 FORDESIGN, PRINCIPAL, ART DIRECTOR Scottsdale & Tucson, AZ

Fordesign moves to Arizona. A new lineup of clients now include the skydiving and parachuting industry along with art galleries, local real estate companies and retail businesses.

#### ڬ August 1995 - April 2004

## FORDESIGN, PRINCIPAL, ART DIRECTOR Santa Fe, NM

After a transatlantic move, the birth of a graphic design studio in Santa Fe. With a strong focus on the arts, Fordesign grows working hand in hand with clients ranging from art galleries to the diverse and local dynamic performing arts scene, the small company also launches and produces magazines in those fields along with web sites, add to art core of clients new ones in the corporate aircraft charter, high end real estate, and luxury retail businesses.

# ڬ August 1993 - May 1995

# NUIT DE CHINE, GRAPHIC DESIGNER Paris, France

Nuit de Chine is a design studio specializing in theatrical print sector and full packages for the music industry. Conceptualization and graphic design applied to band logos, album covers, marketing materials accompanying the release of new albums. Photoshoot art direction, music videos and the creation of theatrical posters.

#### Section EDUCATION, 1988 - 1993 ESAG '93 Jury's Honors, Paris, France

ESAG Penninghen, Parisian School of art and design offers 5 years of post Baccalaureate study and awards a degree in Graphic Design - Art Direction, which qualifies graduates for careers in image-making and visual communication: graphic design, advertising, motion, and 2D design in general. The final Master Grade Degree is awarded by an International Jury.

#### 🔰 EXTRA

Avid photographer, conceptual art, type, extreme sports, avid tec scuba diver and skydiver.

Aamby Valley Aerodyne Research Aguila Arizona Airspeed **Bellas** Artes BMG Canal + Canal Football Club CBS **CBS** Sports Chiaroscuro Cielo **Diving Unlimited International** DRSS EMI ESPN Fazza Skv FOX International Freewheel foundation **EX Entertainment** Gebert Contemporary Get Hypoxic HRO H.H. The Crown Prince of Dubai Icarus World James Kelly Contemporary Lifetime Los Angeles Opera Mirage Systems Nad Al Sheba Stables Dubai NFL Network NFL Red Zone Nuage Bleu Numa'Na Perris Valley Skydiving Peyton Wright Gallery Phreshair Polygram Precision Aerodynamics Primer Strategy Protec Diving SITE Santa Fe Skydive Aamby Valley Skydive Arizona Skydive Dubai Skydive Elsinore SkydiveMex Skydive Perris Skyventure Arizona Sony Musique France Sundance Channel The BIM hub Dubai The Gun Co. The Santa Fe Opera Voque Music Warner Music France Zedan Polo X Deep