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Capstone - Graphic Design

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## **Artist Statement:**

I am a graphic designer and illustrator currently based in Fort Collins, Colorado. I have been producing digital and print artwork for almost a decade and have learned that I work best when creating for and about things that I am passionate about. My artist process generally takes the form of sketches and written ideas, whether I am doing something that is for a client or for myself. I think that this technique allows me to quickly rule out ideas that don't align the preferences that I have been given. They are also often the source of imagery that I can scan or somehow digitize and incorporate into my later design work. From there I move to the computer, focusing on things like how the work will be viewed, either digitally or in print. I always focus on how I can learn more about design thought this piece, such as the incorporating motion design or video.

My most recent body of work has been focused on album design, which is something that I have always found very intriguing and inspiring. I created a series of fake album covers that spanned many different genres and styles of music, all incorporating new techniques and practices to help me continually improve as an artist. These pieces were my capstone project for the Colorado State University Honors program and is called "Thinking inside the Box".

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## **Original Format**

Figure	1: Against Regulations	Photoshop, 12 in x 12 in
Figure	2: Shapes – Colors	Illustrator, 12 in x 12 in
Figure	3: 10 Stars over Boulder	Illustrator, 12 in x 12 in
Figure	4: Tally – Ho	Photoshop, 12 in x 12 in
Figure	5: Reggie	Photoshop, 12 in x 12 in
Figure	6: SOUTHERNCALIFORNIANIGHTLIFE	Photoshop, 12 in x 12 in
Figure	7: The Ludlow Massacre	Photoshop, 18 in x 12 in
Figure	8: Cirfect	Illustrator, 6 in x 12 in
Figure	9: Homeless in America	Photoshop, 12 in x 18
Figure	10: Illustrated "Hotel California"	Photoshop 18 in x 12 in
Figure	11: Internal Spread – Illustrated "Hotel California"	Photoshop, 18 in x 12in



Figure 1: Against Regulations



Figure 2: Shapes – Colors



Figure 3: Ten Star over Boulder



Figure 4: Tally - Ho



Figure 5: Reggie



Figure 6: SOUTHERNCALIFORNIANIGHTLIFE

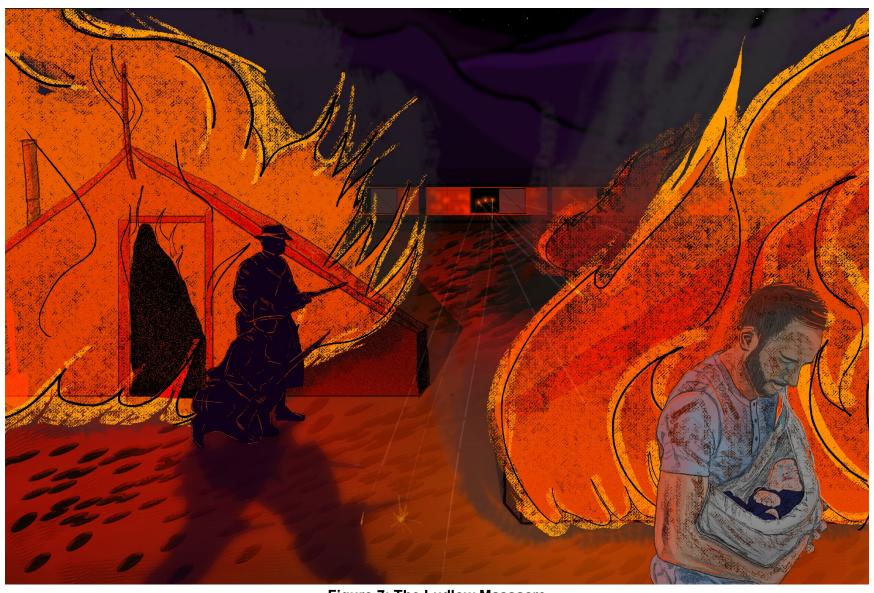


Figure 7: The Ludlow Massacre

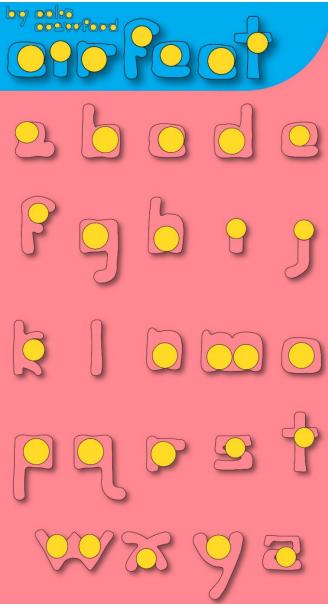


Figure 8: Cirfect

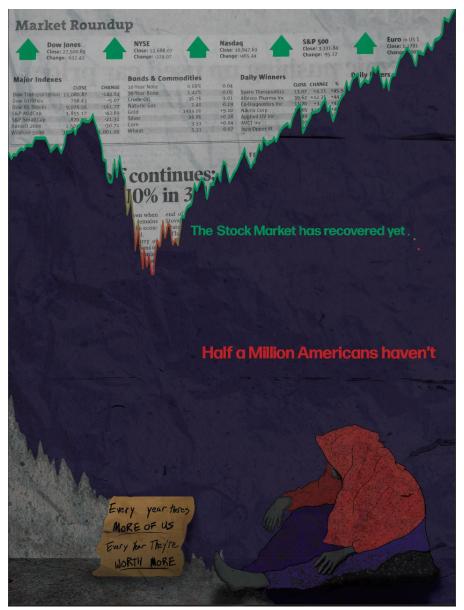


Figure 9: Homeless in America



Figure 10: Illustrated "Hotel California"



Figure 10: Internal Spread - Illustrated "Hotel California"