Chuck Pagano Creative Director / Writer

I'm a creative director who loves the craft of writing. From scripts to taglines to descriptions about myself on resumes.

Experience

Chuck's Copy & Creative Ltd. Founder & Creative Director | New York, NY | 2023-Present

- Creating shareable and scalable content for local, national, and global brands across both emerging and legacy platforms
- From short films to :30 second spots to :06 bumpers; from experiential and editorial to podcasts and tweets; from paid media to earned media

Montclair State University Adjunct Professor | Montclair, NJ | 2023-Present

- Teaching two courses at the university's renowned School of Communication and Media: Brand Storytelling and Copywriting Across Media
- · Led a comprehensive overhaul of both courses that encompassed a new curriculum, syllabus, and overall approach—revitalizing student interest and resulting in enhanced learning outcomes

Weber Shandwick Executive Creative Director | New York, NY | 2018–2023

- Led all creative work for Anheuser-Busch and Mondelez; Co-led all creative work for Haleon (formerly GSK Consumer Healthcare)
- · Helped lead Anheuser-Busch turnaround that resulted in record-setting brand awareness and double-digit growth for core brands like Michelob ULTRA, Stella Artois, and Bud
- · Provided integral support to the marketing initiative that helped Mondelez reach its goal of adding \$1 billion in Oreo sales by 2023
- Built and oversaw a phenomenal creative group that won dozens of awards, including Cannes, the One Show, D&AD, and the Effies
- Member of Anheuser-Busch InBev's Creativity Lab, a global creative advisory group

TBWA\Chiat\Day Freelance Creative Director | New York, NY | 2016–2018

- · Helped reposition Accenture from conventional consultant to the industry's premier digital, cloud, and security firm—and jump to #31 on Interbrand's ranking of the Top 100 Global Brands
- · Helped Accenture's clients presciently shift the AI conversation from the fringe to the mainstream—paving the way for today's brands to follow suit

JWT Executive Creative Director | New York, NY | 2015-2016

- Helped build Team Life JWT, a boutique agency that was one of WPP's first integrated specialty shops, blending expertise in digital, CRM, and traditional consumer creative
- Pushed to name the shop Wally, the nimble offshoot of old-school J. Walter Thompson...but was overruled by J. Walter's nimble-averse attorneys
- That nimbleness and start-up nature led Team Life JWT to become one of WPP's most consistent, reliable, and efficient profit centers
- · Led all creative work for Bayer, as well as specialty brands like Jefferson's Bourbon
- Hired, built, and managed an entire creative department from scratch

mcgarrybowen Group Creative Director | New York, NY | 2012-2015

- Led all creative work for Chase, the nation's largest bank, comprising a dozen sub-brands
- · Helped lead rebranding that resulted in Chase becoming the first bank to be simultaneously ranked
- #1 on Forbes', Money Magazine's, and US News & World Report's lists of Best Banks in America
- Helped launch the Chase Sapphire card, widely considered the card that reinvented and reinvigorated the premium credit card market—and precursor to the "world's first viral credit card"

JWT Creative Director | New York, NY | 2008–2012

- · Created breakthrough work for Smirnoff that helped them win Adweek's Brand Genius Award
- · Launched Live@Macy's, a digital streaming platform featuring Beyonce and Taylor Swift that rocketed Macy's into pop culture—and back to the top of USA Today's World's Most Iconic Department Store list, ahead of Harrods, Bloomingdale's, Selfridges, and Saks Fifth Avenue
- · Helped create Macy's Million Dollar Makeover, a reality TV show that drew record ratings on TLC

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