

MATT WOOD

● SPECIAL EFFECTS AND FIREWORK DESIGN

● PMP PROJECT MANAGER

● **Design | Technical | Pyrotechnics**

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Profile

Award winning, customer-focused, and technically innovative designer with 20+ years of design and leadership experience in the fireworks industry. Adept at managing multiple project scopes and timelines, ensuring projects are delivered on time and within budget. Data-driven decision-maker with history of proactively identifying inefficiencies and exploring new tools and processes that enhance and streamline workflow. Strong communicator with ability to gain client, and stakeholder trust. My passion is working as a collaborative team to create innovative designs that will provide my clients with lasting memories!

Education + Training

Project Management Institute

PMI Member ID 6761263

Bachelor of Science in Theatre Design & Technology

Indiana State University

Skills

Fireworks Design	SOW Development
Project Management	Performance evaluation
Music Editing	Sales + marketing
Fire One	Customer relations
Pyrodigital	Team management
Show Director	Resource allocation
Finale Fireworks	Budget management
2D & 3D Renderings	Vendor relations
Workflow Optimization	Risk mitigation
Strategic Planning	Custom Designed Props
Negotiation	MS Office Suite
Conflict Management	Lead Technician
Technical Diagrams	Custom prop Fabrication
Training + Mentoring	Leadership

Career Highlights

- ▶ Served as lead designer and project manager for pyrotechnics in Times Square New Year's Eve Show.
- ▶ Consulted on show design for fireworks production at Beijing Olympics in 2008.
- ▶ Created organization's first state-accredited training program for Florida State Fire Marshals.
- ▶ Team won 2008 Montreal Gold and 2018 Bronze Jupiter Awards for World Fireworks Competition.
- ▶ Personally selected to design show for America's Largest Fireworks Festival, PyroFest.

Experience

Design Manager & Senior Designer | 2008 - 2020

Pyrotecnico New Castle, PA

Provided strategic, budgetary, and design oversight for 600+ annual choreographed shows including over 250 personally designed shows annually. Managed execution and timely completion of projects by analyzing project scope and determining project specifications. Developed and evaluated KPIs to create best practices for successful and safe productions.

KEY CONTRIBUTIONS

- Introduced 3D visual simulation software to the company in 2008 which enhanced client buying experience.
- Identified root cause of music selection process; developed new process that reduced time by 30%.
- Spearheaded innovative design process that decreased design time by 15%.
- Selected by leadership to travel to China as part of product selection team to ensure new product and quality control.
- Initiated and established requirements traceability matrix which increased visibility and accountability for my team.
- Conceptualized, developed, and implemented training and mentorship program for operational staff.
- Served on Strategic Planning, Research & Development, and Safety committees.

Project Manager + Designer | 2000 - 2008

Zambelli Fireworks Boca Raton, FL

Worked in Sales and Permitting in the beginning of my career then worked into design. Reporting directly to George Zambelli Sr. I did everything from pulling permits, mixing music for display along with designing and shooting computer executed productions with an emphasis on Close proximity and Indoor and theatrical presentations.

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Notable Designed Shows

Designer | 2000 - 2008

Zambelli Fireworks Boca Raton, FL

Public Events

- Mount Rushmore, Keystone, SD
- Hard Rock Hotel and Casino Grand Opening, Hollywood, FL
- Hard Rock Hotel and Casino Weekly Shows, Hollywood, FL
- Sunfest, West Palm Beach, FL
- Denver Grand Prix, Denver, CO
- Gasparilla Festival, Tampa, FL
- Butterfly Festival, City of Coconut Creek, FL

Community

- Sunoco Welcome America Philadelphia, PA
- Penn's Landing and Philadelphia Art Museum, Philadelphia, PA
- Minneapolis Aquatennial, Minneapolis, MN
- 4th on Flagler, West Palm Beach, FL
- New Year's Eve, Ft Lauderdale, FL
- July 4th Celebration, City of Westminster, CO
- July 4th Celebration, City of Naples, FL
- July 4th Celebration Knott's Berry Farm, Buena Park, CA
- July 4th Celebration Seminole Tribe of Florida, Brighton, FL
- July 4th Celebration City of Hialeah, FL

Private Events

- Ritz Carlton, Naples, FL

Film and Television

- Jimmy Kimmel Live, New York, NY
- Times Square New Year Eve, New York, NY
- "When I Die" Hunter S. Thompson Memorial, Woody Creek, CO

Sports

- Thanksgiving Half Time Show, Detroit, MI
- Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Tampa Bay, FL
- July 4th Colorado Rockies, Denver CO
- July 4th Colorado Rapids, Denver CO
- Miami Dolphins, Miami, FL
- Miami Marlins, Miami, FL

Notable Designed Shows

Senior Designer | 2008 - 2020

Pyrotecnico New Castle, PA

Public Events

- Superbowl Live 2017- 2019
- PyroFest 2016 "this America's Largest Fireworks Festival" Rusted Root
- 2018 Feux Loto-Québec international, Montreal, Canada
- Sun Fest, West Palm Beach, FL
- IllumiNights & July 4th Busch Gardens, Williamsburg, VA
- Gasparilla Festival, Tampa, FL
- Republican National Convention, Cleveland, OH

Community Events

- July 4th Houston's Freedom Over Texas, Houston, TX
- U.S. Coast Guard Festival, Grand Haven, MI
- 4th on Flagler, West Palm Beach, FL
- July 4th Celebrations, Six Flags Great Adventure Jackson, New Jersey
- July 4th Celebration, Woodbridge Township, NJ
- July 4th Celebration, City of Clearwater, FL
- July 4th Celebration, Cape Coral, FL
- New Year's Eve Celebration, Circles at Land's End Apollo Beach, FL
- New Year's Eve Celebration, Ft Lauderdale, FL

Touring & Music

- Illenium Ascend U.S. Tour (Pyrotechnics Design) 2019
- Martin Garrix, Phoenix Lights Festival, Phoenix, AZ
- Houston Rodeo, Houston, TX
- New Year's Eve Celebration, String Cheese Incident, Denver CO
- March Madness Music Festival

Private Events

- Brown University 250+, Providence, Rhode Island
- Engage! 13 Biltmore Estates, Asheville, NC
- George Washington's Mt. Vernon, Fairfax County, Virginia
- Prestonwood Plano Christmas Spectacular, Plano, TX

Sports

- Orange Bowl, Miami, FL
- Miami Marlins, Miami, FL
- Miami Dolphins, Miami, FL
- 2008 Beijing Olympics, Beijing, China
- Washington Nationals, Washington, DC
- Pro Football Hall of Fame, Canton, OH

Film and Television

- Love and Other Drugs