Creative graphic designer with many years experience in corporate design and brand management. Experience working in marketing, communication and business development teams in global professional services firms.

Strong stakeholder relationships and communication with internal teams, national and global offices. Strong attention to detail, taking briefs from layout through to finished art using various Adobe CC applications.

## **Key Strengths**



## Corporate design and visual identity

Brand management, print design and production, digital and web design, email marketing, photography, animation and video production and editing. Focused on client needs and offering strategic marketing solutions.



## Project management

Extensive experience managing large firmwide design projects and campaigns, from brief, concept, draft variations to final product. The ability to provide realistic solutions while managing competing priorities with strict deadlines and tight budgets.



## Stakeholder management

Strong stakeholder management and engagement, building working relationships with key business stakeholders and operational teams across all business units. Experience managing staff and freelancers.



### Collaboration and attention to detail

Enjoy collaboration and contributing in a team environment, and confident working autonomously. Comfortable under pressure, understanding different target audiences, analysing client needs, flexible with change and delivering solutions to complex issues.



"...broad skillset which extends beyond traditional graphic design to photography, videography and digital which has been incredibly valuable to our organisation."

**Elle Lowe** 



#### **Portfolio**

> online | downloadable PDF

## **Technical Capabilities**

### **Adobe's Creative Cloud**

inDesign; Photoshop; Illustrator; Premiere Pro and Dreamweaver

## Microsoft Office 365

On both, Windows and Apple platforms

## **Career Snapshot**

2021 – present **The Tax Institute** 

**King & Wood Mallesons** 2010 - 2020

1996 - 2010**Thomson Reuters** 

#### Education

## **Bachelor Degree in Communication Design**

Fachhochschule Würzburg, Germany

## **Training Course**

2012: **Portrait Photography** Focus 10 Photography

2014: Adobe Premiere Pro Essentials, City Desktop Training

1996 – present Self-employed and freelance, graphic and digital design, video production and photography



Print design of brochures, annual reports, logos, stationery, also website design and production, social media content, photography and picture manipulation for corporate marketing and communication departments of professional services firms, colleges, small business and start-ups.

Clients include: Clyde & Co; Maddocks; Gadens, Impress Design; Memories2Digital; DibbsBarker; EnjoyOrange; Brian's Best Organics; Planit; Tresscox Lawyers; Naturecare College; Konekt.

#### **2021 – 2023**

The Tax Institute, Senior Graphic Designer, Videographer and Photographer



In-house designer & brand custodian for all the Institute's print, web and video material. Managing multiple projects simultaneously and working with freelancers. Collaborating directly with clients and teams across all departments such as events, membership, education and media to understand and support individual requirements.



## **Key projects:**

Digital design and video production for Tax Summits 2021, 2022 & 2023. Design and execution of multiple social media campaigns including animations and video production, marketing and event email campaigns, event brochures, advertisments, plus all online assets during and post events (eg. Fed. Budget Night). Preparing and overseeing all branded assets for the digital event platforms.



- Roll-out of the institute's new brand collateral: printed material of brochures, flyers, reports and publications, digital assets for social media and the new AEM website, stationery, signage, banners and various digital conference material.
- Production of assets for several websites, email newsletters, social media campaigns and event promotions.

#### 2010 - 2020

King & Wood Mallesons, Senior Graphic Designer, Videographer and Photographer



King & Wood Mallesons, a Chinese-Australian law firm. As graphic designer, I worked closely with key stakeholders and operational teams on the firm's marketing, communications and business development units. Working in a team of designers I also managed the support of freelancers from recruitment agencies. In this role I specialised in developing creative concepts and brand collateral that support the firm's strategy.



## **Key responsibilities**

- **Design:** Designing annual reports, dual language brochures, flyers, press ads, conference & event material, social media banners, logos, infographics and major client tenders and proposals.
- Video production: Recording and editing of more than 50 video publications, ranging from partner interviews, KWM promotional videos, events and training sessions.
- **Photography:** Responsible for all national firm photography, including managing professional staff photos and event photography. This includes the image preparation and file production, as well as managing the firms database of images and photographs.

## **Community Impact**

Volunteer work and pro-bono design support for: - www.idknowyourself.com - www.nellvshealing.com

Winner – Community Impact Award (Sydney), 2018 Donated 25kg of my bee's honey and collected \$850 for

the KWM 2020 Red Cross **Bushfire Relief** 







#### Thomson Reuters, Senior Graphic Designer/ Web developer **1996 – 2010**



Part of the marketing team, designing promotional material, direct mail, catalogues, conference material following international brand guidelines.

Website production (Firmsite, websites for law firms) and online marketing THOMSON REUTERS campaigns (design and HTML).



REUTERS :

Support in transition to new Thomson Reuters brand. Staff and event photography for TR and clients. Supervised junior designers and freelancers. 2008 TR ANZ Award of Excellence (team exceeded sales target).

#### Adis International, Graphic Designer **Others**

Finlay Preece Advertising, Graphic Designer and Finished Artist The Ideas Shop, Graphic Designer and Finished Artist Heck & Hergert Two's Company, Junior Art Director

> I have had the pleasure of working with Claus for approximately 10 years and have been his manager for the past four. Claus is a senior and highly experienced designer.

He has a broad skillset which extends beyond traditional graphic design to photography, videography and digital which has been incredibly valuable to our organisation. Claus has demonstrated initiative in upskilling himself and continuously evolving his capability. In addition to his technical expertise.

Claus is excellent at stakeholder management. He has developed strong relationships right across the firm, from the C-suite down. He is highly regarded by our Management team and is a much loved member of the marketing team. I would highly recommend Claus for any future opportunities.

> Elle Lowe Head of Communications - Global, KWM

I have worked with Claus for almost ten years and in that time he has been both an amazing support to me and my practice as we sought to build a reputation for thought leadership in competition and class action law but also contributing to establishing a clear brand for the firm. Claus quickly grasped the business essentials of litigation and used his design nous to help us create our annual Class Action Year in Review report, together with video content and infographics to build a comprehensive media strategy.

Claus was also a builder and defender of the firm's brand - both in a design sense, educating many new groups of graduates in the importance of staying on brand from a sensory perspective but also in his commitment to and role in the firm's Community Impact program, supporting many pro bono clients in achieving their own goals. I wholeheartedly recommend Claus as a graphic designer and amazing human.

Peta Stevenson, Partner, KWM

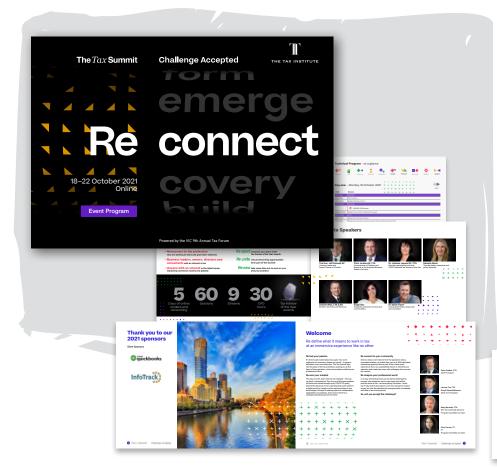
I worked with Claus for over 5 years at Thomson Legal and have since used his web design services for 3 years for my customers through my home business.

Claus is a very friendly, enthusiastic and of course creative person. He works well directly with clients when I put them in touch and always meets our deadlines.

He has an excellent understanding of traditional design as well as a high level of web design and can even output HTML & CSS templates. I highly recommend Claus.

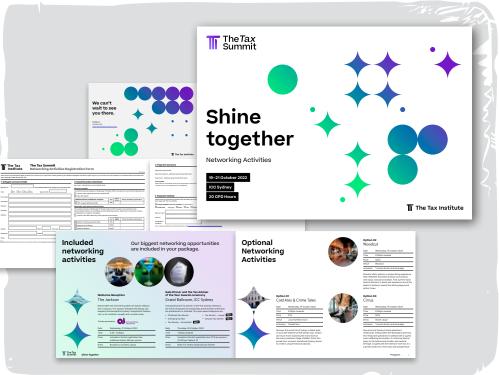
> Gavin Messenger Online Marketing Consultant





## The Tax Institute program brochures

Tax Summit 2021 and 2022 A4 horizontal, design, typesetting and production







**DealTrends Reports** Eight consecutive issues of KWM's annual DealTrends Report

**DealTrends Reports 2019**Digital report for iPhone and printed summary for personal client meetings Eight consecutive issues of KWM's annual DealTrends Report







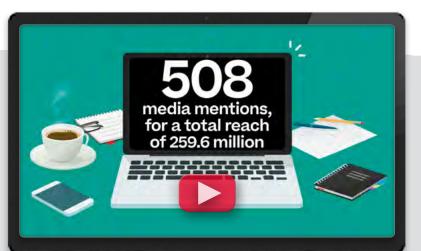












## Others:

- Speaker Spotlights series
- Humans of Tax series
- **■** TKE products
- Tax Time series
- Intro to Australian Tax System

# The people of TTI

The Tax Institute internal staff video

## Federal Budget Night

2023-24: Julie Abdalla

Abhishek Shekhawat

2022-23: Abhishek Shekhawat

2021-22: Robyn Jacobson



# The Tax Summit 2023 The Tax Institute – hype reel

## 80 year anniversary

The Tax Institute – Timeline videos <u>1940-50s</u> | <u>1960-70s</u> | <u>1980-90s</u> | <u>2000s</u>





## **Sydney Law Hackathon**

Event coverage: 3 day recording, editing, upload and file distribution of UTS Hackathon.

**Tender:** Legal Panel RFP Successful pitch with video recorded and edited within a 12 hrs timeframe.

## **Graduates Presentation**

Recording at different locations, editing and distribution for recruitment purposes



