

Gentry Akens

Production Designer • Executive Creative Director

RESUME PROFILE

Award winning designer, successful in the vast world of commercial and entertainment design. A Production Designer with impeccable work ethic and creative deliverables in the world of motion pictures, television, live entertainment, off Broadway, theater, animation, theme park attractions, exhibitions and immersive experiences, globally.

PRODUCTION DESIGNER: *Movies & TV*

<i>Dolly Parton's Mountain Magic Christmas</i>	Magnolia Hill Productions - <i>WB for NBC</i>
<i>The Walton's Thanksgiving</i>	Magnolia Hill Productions - <i>Made for TV Movie</i>
<i>The Walton's Homecoming</i>	Magnolia Hill Productions - <i>Made for TV Movie</i>
<i>Social Society</i>	Big Little Sis Media; <i>Season 1</i>
<i>Mann and Wife</i>	Bounce TV; <i>Season 3</i>
<i>Bad Dad Rehab</i>	TV ONE Network - <i>Made for TV Movie</i>
<i>Mickey Mouse Club</i>	The Disney Channel; <i>Seasons 4-7</i>
<i>The Kronenburg Chronicles</i>	John Landis; Director - <i>Made for TV Movie</i>
<i>Emerald Cove</i>	The Disney Channel; <i>Series</i>
<i>Mickey Mouse Club Halloween Special</i>	The Disney Channel; <i>Season 5</i>
<i>Adventures In Wonderland</i>	The Disney Channel (wrap arounds)
<i>MMC Rocks The Planet</i>	Blue Wave Productions; <i>Premiere Live Concert</i>
<i>Prescott Press</i>	Blue Wave Productions; <i>Season 1</i>
<i>Gullah Gullah Island</i>	Nickelodeon; <i>Series</i>
<i>TAINA</i>	Nickelodeon; <i>Season 1</i>
<i>THE NEWZ</i>	Sony Pictures; <i>Pilot and Season 1</i>
<i>Ed McMahon's Next Big Star</i>	McMahon Productions- <i>Series</i>

ART DIRECTOR: *Television Series*

<i>Dynasty</i>	NBC - <i>Pilot Series</i>
<i>The YARD</i>	BET Network - <i>Pilot</i>
<i>The QUAD</i>	BET Network - <i>Season 1</i>
<i>Christmas of Many Colors (Sequel)</i>	Bonanza Productions, NBC
<i>Coat of Many Colors</i>	Bonanza Productions, NBC
<i>Mann & Wife</i>	Bounce TV; <i>Seasons 1 & 2</i>

Teen Wolf
The Rickey Smiley Show
Uptown Comic
Second Generation Wayans

MTV Productions; Season 2
Smiley Face Productions; Seasons 1 & 2
Rain Tree Productions
Breakdown Productions; Season 1

PRODUCTION DESIGNER/ART DIRECTOR: *Commercials*

New Special Offers Commercial
Summer Promotion Commercial
All New 1994 Truck Commercial
Christmas Holiday Commercial
Christmas Holiday Commercial
Cinderella II Infomercial
Eloqua 2010 Holiday Card
Center for Disease Control-PSA

Taco Bell
McDonalds
Ford Ranger
Isotoner Gloves
Sony Music
Walt Disney Home Entertainment
James Searles Productions
Imaginista Films 2014

PRODUCTION DESIGNER/CREATIVE PRODUCER: *Film/DVD*

Furby Island
Weebles: Welcome to Weebleville
Weebles: Sharing in the Fun
Daddy-O
“Apollo 13” queue-line video
“Casper” queue-line video
“Monster Café” queue-line video
Bob Marley Attraction
Littlest Pet Shop-Marketing sizzle
Glow Worm
Ir/Reconcilable-Film Short

Nicktoons/Paramount Home Entertainment
Paramount Home Entertainment
Paramount Home Entertainment
Smile Productions, Inc.
Universal Studios Orlando
Universal Studios Orlando
Universal Studios Orlando
Universal Studios Orlando-*CityWalk*
Hasbro Inc.
Hasbro Inc.
BlueSkyCloud Productions

ART DIRECTOR: *Motion Pictures*

“Good Deeds”
“The Marriage Counselor”
“Barbershop 3”
“A Meyers Christmas”

Lionsgate Films
Quick Productions
MGM STUDIOS
Universal Pictures

LAYOUT ARTIST/CHARACTER DESIGN: *Animated TV Series*

<i>Fat Albert</i>	Filmation Studios
<i>He-Man, Master of the Universe</i>	Filmation Studios
<i>Journey Back To Oz</i>	Filmation Studios
<i>Hero High</i>	Filmation Studios
<i>The Get-A-Long Gang</i>	DIC
<i>Shirt Tails</i>	Hanna Barbera Studios
<i>The Little Rascals</i>	Hanna Barbera Studios
<i>Mork and Mindy</i>	Hanna Barbera Studios

THEME PARK ATTRACTIONS

PRODUCTION DESIGNER • CREATIVE DIRECTOR

<i>Bob Marley's</i>	Universal Studios Orlando- <i>CityWalk</i>
<i>The Groove Dance Club</i>	Universal Studios Orlando- <i>CityWalk</i>
<i>City Jazz Club (conceptual design)</i>	Universal Studios Orlando- <i>CityWalk</i>
<i>Pizza Café</i>	Universal Studios Orlando- <i>CityWalk</i>
<i>South Beach Deli</i>	Universal Studios Orlando- <i>CityWalk</i>
<i>The Rosie O'Donnell Show</i>	Universal's Islands of Adventure
<i>Barney Attraction</i>	Universal Studios Orlando
<i>Lost World Summer Attraction</i>	Universal Studios Orlando
<i>Casper Summer Attraction</i>	Universal Studios Orlando
<i>Apollo 13 Summer Attraction</i>	Universal Studios Orlando
<i>Monster Café Dining</i>	Universal Studios Orlando
<i>House of Frankenstein</i>	Universal Studios Orlando

CREATIVE DIRECTOR: *Themed Environments • Venues*

<i>Mickey's Starland</i>	Walt Disney World Magic Kingdom
<i>Once Upon A Toy</i>	Walt Disney World/Hasbro Collaboration
<i>Pop Century Resort Hotel</i>	Walt Disney World/Hasbro Collaboration
<i>Honey I Shrunk The Kids</i>	Walt Disney World/Hasbro Collaboration

THEATER

SET DESIGNER: *Off Broadway New York*

Disenchanted: Bitches of the Kingdom Townsquare Productions

SET DESIGNER: Local Theater

The Fantasticks The Osceola Theater; Orlando, FL
True Fans The Abbey Theater; Orlando, FL
A Lie of the Mind Providence, RI

ART DIRECTOR: *Live Show Entertainment*

Sesame Street Live! Feld Entertainment
Trolls The Experience! Feld Entertainment
Disney On Ice Feld Entertainment
Jurassic World Live Tour Feld Entertainment
Hollywood's Pretty Women Review Walt Disney World *MGM Studios*
Super Bowl XXV Halftime Show WDW/ABC TV - *Storyboards*
Quebec Winter Carnival WDW/Quebec Canada
Merv Griffin's Musical Show Atlantic City Boardwalk
Tournament of Roses Parade 2007 Pre-Show Opening Production
Animation Festival Walt Disney Entertainment/Argentina
Rosie O'Donnell Show Universal Orlando-*Islands of Adventure*
Wheel of Fortune Universal Orlando - *Special Event*

PRODUCTION DESIGN/ART DIRECTION: Exhibits

**Walt Disney World Traveling Exhibit* Disney Parks & Resorts
Trolls the Experience World Tour Feld Entertainment
Nickelodeon's SLIME Nickelodeon

**Exhibitor Magazine* – First Place International Award Winner: Modular Design

Active membership: *Production Designers & Art Directors Union IATSE*
Local 829 New York, NY

