

# Sarah Riedlinger

Visual storyteller + maker of things.

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Blackstone Publishing

**Graphic Designer** Jan 2022–Present

- Collaborates with authors, agents, and publicists to create original book cover and jacket designs that appeal to target audiences
- Prepares printer-ready mechanicals utilizing a variety of technical effects and oversees production deadlines
- Creates promotional graphics for book tours, marketing campaigns, and digital advertising on major outlets including the *New York Times*, *LA Times*, *Buzzfeed*, and the *Washington Post*

### ICON plc (formerly PRA Health Sciences)

**Motion Designer** June 2020–Dec 2021

- Conceptualize and develop strategic motion graphics to clearly communicate brand messages to internal and external audiences, using both 2D and 3D animation software
- Collaborate with a multidiscipline creative team to support design requests from our business divisions for print collateral materials, media advertisements, event leave-behinds, company swag, etc
- Design and develop interactive graphics and animations for web

### The Burr Magazine

**Art Director** Aug 2018–May 2020  
**Designer** Aug 2017–July 2018

- Led creative team meetings, delegated tasks to junior designers, and provided creative critique and software support
- Communicated with writers, editors, and bloggers to produce visual solutions to a broad array of story subjects within a short timeline for editorial covers and interior spreads
- Developed and pitched an overall conceptual theme for each issue, and defined a complex typography system and style guide

### Ohio Department of Transportation

**Animation Intern** May 2018–Dec 2018

- Utilized facial tracking software to create live-feedback character animations that were rigged using IK and lip-synced to audio
- Created 2D animated scenes & motion graphics in After Effects to display complex numerical and statistical data
- Worked in 3D animation and compositing in Cinema 4D to rebrand the intro sequence and lower thirds graphics for “The Loop”

## EDUCATION

### Kent State University

Aug 2016–May 2020

#### Bachelor of Fine Arts

Visual Communication Design

#### Minor

User Experience Design

#### Honors College Scholar

#### Sichuan University Scholar

## RECOGNITIONS

### International Society of Typographic Designers

Award of Commendation  
May 2019 + July 2020

### AIGA Kent

Co-President  
Aug 2018–May 2020

### American Greetings

Scholarship Recipient  
for Excellence in Design  
May 2019, July 2018

### North American Review

*Open Space of Democracy*  
poster featured in exhibit  
April 2019

### Glyphix Studio

Student Partner  
Jan 2019–May 2019

### Adobe Awards

Semifinalist  
Aug 2018