

MICHELLE "MISHA" VAN THIENEN

FREELANCER ~ EDMONTON, AB

Summary

I am a highly motivated employee with a desire to take on new challenges. I have a strong work ethic and a teachable spirit. I approach clients with upbeat communication, providing the best customer experience possible. As a full-time wheelchair user, I am highly resilient and creatively adapt to obstacles. I am working to establish a business doing web design and marketing for non-profit organizations that can not afford market prices. As part of that venture, I am also working to establish my own organization, *theRenewing*. It is geared towards equipping faith-based organizations to respond to the current mental health crisis. I have a lifetime of experience with computers in various contexts. I am proficient at typing, data entry, content creation and management, as well as graphic and web design.



**DESIGN ~ WEB DEVELOPMENT ~ CONTENT WRITING ~ SMALL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT
MARKETING MANAGEMENT ~ SOCIAL MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS ~ CUSTOMER SERVICE
MENTAL HEALTH ADVOCACY ~ NON-PROFIT MANAGEMENT ~ INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION**

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EDUCATION

★ Kairos University, Master of Arts in Christianity and Mental Health, 2023-2026

★ UofA/Taylor University College, coursework towards BA in Religion and Theology 2000-2003

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 👤 **Owner, the Creator's Design**, 2019 – Present (4 yrs)
~Launching a small business that will equip non-profits with an affordable web presence.
~Providing web and graphic design, photography, social media management, and essential marketing.
~Exploring learning opportunities to become the best business owner possible.
- 👤 **Founder, theRenewing**, 2016-Present (7 yrs)
~I have a vision to provide faith-based Mental Health education, resources, and conversation for Edmonton churches and those they serve.
~Currently the project entails design, content development, forming partnerships, and navigating policies and procedures around the formation of a non-profit organization.
- 👤 **Retail Associate, Shoppers Drug Mart**, May 2019 – Oct 2019 (6 mos)

AWARDS

☆ Scotiabank Dean's Citation in Arts - University of Alberta, June 2000

☆ Governor General's Academic Medal - Governor General of Canada, Sept 2000



My Digital Business Card

👤 **Operations Team, Savers | Value Village**, May 2015 – Mar 2017 (1 yr 11 mos)

👤 Various Roles, *McKernan Baptist Church*, Sep 2001 – Aug 2005 (4 yrs)

~worked as the **Elementary Children's Ministry Intern**.

~covered a temporary position as **Office Administrator**.

~provided support as the **Weekend Custodian**.

~taught at *McKernan Child Development Centre* as a **Preschool Instructor**.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

👤 Service User Representative (2-year), DATS Advisory Group, Edmonton Transit System, 2023-Pres.

👤 Alto, A Joyful Noise Choir, 2005-Pres.

👤 Various Volunteer Roles, McKernan Baptist Church, 2001-Pres.

REFERENCES

BUSINESS 👤 **Aaron Cranton**, *Ministry Lead*, The Old Strathcona Street Mission, 📞 780-716-9448

CHARACTER 👤 **Gaylene Klapstein**, *Friend*, Physiotherapist @ Covenant Health, 📞 780-955-0244