

## Kelly Finan

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Objective: *To secure contract work that utilizes my skills in technical illustration.*

Education:

**Rhode Island School of Design:** Summer Institute of Graphic Design Studies  
**Web Design, Identity Design** (Summer 2010)

**University of California Extension, Santa Cruz**  
Graduate Certificate, **Science Illustration** (June 2009)

**Juniata College**

B.S. **Liberal Arts** (May 2008), GPA 3.89, Class rank 8 of 316  
Major/Minor: **Environmental Science/Studio Fine Art**

Design skills:

- Adobe Creative Suite (including Dreamweaver), Wordpress, and website management. Extensive training in graphite, pen and ink, scratchboard, coquille board, colored pencil, acrylic, oils, watercolor, gouache, photography (both darkroom and digital), and ceramics.

Other skills:

- Knowledge of current environmental issues, alternate energy, geology, biology, hydrology, physics, and chemistry. Rock, fossil, and fish identification, ability to read topographic maps, experience collecting and analyzing ecological data, skill using a GPS unit and ArcMap, public speaking, analytical writing, newspaper writing, boating (canoe, kayak, and motorized), SOLO Wilderness First Aid, SCUBA, basic Spanish, working with children, driving standard transmission vehicles, motorcycles, and ATVs

Awards:

- Semifinalist in the 2009 **National Science Foundation's** International Science and Engineering Visualization Challenge, information graphics category
- **Yosemite National Park** Scientific Visualization Fellowship
- Geology Alumni Fund Underclassman Excellence Award
- Art Nomination Scholarship for full four-year tuition at Juniata College
- Holfelt Award for Outstanding Freshman Writer
- Juniata Career Services Intern of the Month, October 2006
- Homer and Will Endowed Scholarship in Biology

Special

Projects:

**"Habitat Suitability Mapping of Wood Turtles, *Glyptemys insculpta*, at Raystown Lake"**

- Independent field and GIS research
- Presented at Juniata College Liberal Arts Symposium, April 2007

**A Guide for Identifying Invasive Species of the Raystown Lake Area**

- Hand-illustrated botanical field guide
- Presented at Juniata College Liberal Arts Symposium, April 2008

Employment:

**Illustrator/Graphic Designer** (Fall 2009 - present)  
Kelly Finan Illustration, Hop Bottom, PA

**Scientific Visualization Fellow** (Summer 2009)  
Sierra Nevada Research Institute, Yosemite National Park, CA

**Sea Turtle Tagging Intern** (Summer 2008)  
University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

**Graphic Designer** (Spring 2005 – Spring 2008)  
Juniata College, Huntingdon PA