# Morgan Nels Sandquist

# **Product and Program Manager**

#### BUSINESS | TECHNICAL | LEGAL | COMMUNITY experience in Private | Public | Nonprofit sectors

Demonstrated ability to implement **EFFECTIVE** PROFITABLE | SUSTAINABLE solutions to complex problems

Advanced WRITTEN | VERBAL communication abilities

**CURIOUS | IMAGINATIVE | PRAGMATIC** approach to work and life

# **Career History**

Home Box Office, Inc. New York, NY Program Manager, Application Development, 2006-Present Project Leader, 2004-2006 Software Engineer, Feb. 1999-2004

**Brody & Weiser** Branford, CT Associate, Feb. 1997–Jan. 1999

**National Federation of Community Development Credit Unions** New York, NY Chief Fiscal Officer & Program Manager, Sept. 1993-Jan. 1997

Westinghouse Broadcasting Milford, CT Accounting Analyst, June 1989-Aug. 1991

### **Volunteer and Part-Time Positions**

RimeShedra.NYC New York, NY Webmaster (Volunteer), 2009-Present

Move Your Money New York, NY Project Manager (Volunteer), 2011–2012

**New York City Financial Network Action** Consortium New York, NY Founding Board Member and Treasurer (Volunteer), 2001-2006

Yale Law School, Community and Economic **Development Clinic** New Haven, CT Adjunct Faculty (Part-Time), Sept. 1997-May 1998

#### **Education**

MBA, 1993 Yale University School of Management Tutor, Economic Analysis

BA Financial Administration with Honor, 1989 Michigan State University **Honors College** 

#### **Publications**

Have We Done All We Could? (aka Finance in Denial) Naked Capitalism and mathbabe April 27–31, 2012 Four-part essay proposing a constructive means of viewing and addressing the ongoing financial system crisis.

#### What Should I Be When I Grow Up?

# Sentient City Magazine 2007

Essay investigating the application of the Buddhist principle of Right Livelihood to management in a corporate environment.

# It's Alright, Ma (I'm Only Dreaming)

### Sentient City Magazine 2007

Essay exploring the relationship between dreams and art, particularly literature.

Residential Lending in New Haven County: Evidence from 1990-1991 HMDA Data

#### Connecticut Urban Reinvestment Endowment Aua. 1993

with Harvey L. Koizim

Study demonstrating discrimination in mortgage lending by several banks, using sophisticated statistical analysis of publicly available data, which led to Professor Koizim's testimony before the Connecticut legislature.

### Contact

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# **Experience and Accomplishments**

Home Box Office, Inc. New York, NY Program Manager, Application Development, 2006–Present

- Lead PROMPT Program, a multi-application, multi-phase initiative deploying custom software measuring and improving the effectiveness of HBO's on-channel promotional campaigns, using Nielsen and other research data and analysis, to improve subscriber retention. Though still in progress, these efforts have resulted in a measured increase in the tune-in impact of those promotional campaigns.
- Provide guidance and insight to development and organizational efforts across the Business Technology Systems group as HBO's business and the internal development that supports it evolve, including adoption of some Agile development techniques and the introduction of a business capability—based approach to strategic project portfolio management.
- Led design, development, and deployment of MIND, a \$2 million application framework hosting scheduling and metadata delivery applications for nonlinear exhibition and distribution, permitting the launch of new services (including HBO Go, Max Go, and HBO Now), the exploitation of new sales and rental channels (iTunes, etc.), and the support of existing services (including HBO On-Demand), which were migrated from SCHEME, MEND, and MADE. This provides HBO with the flexibility to pursue a broad range of content exhibition and distribution opportunities as the video industry evolves.

#### Project Leader, 2004–2006

- Designed and led development of MEND and MADE, applications allowing for the extension of SCHEME to enter additional scheduling and related data and to generate additional metadata for video on-demand services beyond the domestic services for which the existing SCHEME application was intended. This permitted adequate time for the proper development of a full-scale replacement of SCHEME without slowing HBO's launch of new video on-demand services.
- Designed and led development of applications to schedule Vodafone mobile linear services and to provide metadata to Time Warner Cable to enable StartOver. This facilitated one of HBO's first efforts to move beyond TV-based exhibition.

Software Engineer, Feb. 1999-2004

 Designed and developed PlayCheck, which confirms the exhibition schedules' compliance with existing rights and limitations, and provides planners and schedulers data regarding remaining exhibition availability. This allows schedulers to work efficiently, knowing that any contractual violations will be identified and addressed prior to broadcast, eliminating HBO's exposure to the penalties that violations would entail.

# **Brody & Weiser** Branford, CT *Associate*, Feb. 1997–Jan. 1999

- Worked on the Ford Foundation's Program Related Investment (PRI) efforts, providing training and investment guidance and assessment to the Kellogg Foundation and other foundations seeking to offer PRIs.
- Reviewed and rated investment applications from community development banks on behalf of the United States Treasury's Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Fund.

# National Federation of Community Development Credit Unions New York, NY Chief Fiscal Officer & Program Manager, Sept. 1993–Jan. 1997

- Oversaw fiscal and administrative functions of a national financial intermediary and trade association with approximately \$2.3 million under management. Transformed ad hoc, grant-based budgeting and expenditure approach to one that was stable and predictable, allowing the organization to safely continue its growth.
- Administered the Community Development Credit Union Replication Project, a two-year effort to assist groups organizing credit unions in low-income communities.

# Westinghouse Broadcasting Milford, CT Accounting Analyst, June 1989–Aug. 1991

 Managed disposition of a \$200 million cable television limited partnership, of which Westinghouse Broadcasting was general partner, overseeing preparation of regulatory filings and assisting in defense of lawsuit arising from the disposition.