

**Robert D. (Bob) Thomas**  
3227 Mountview Road  
Columbus, Ohio 43221  
614.395.3341 cell/text  
bobthomas@exhibitmanagement.com  
www.exhibitmanagement.com

## **Employment History**

### **Founder and President, Exhibit and Event Management, LLC (Columbus, OH)**

- Manage a diverse client base with conferences, trade shows, exhibits, and events
- Financially successful company with a 16 year history
- Experience from more than 25 years in the exhibit and event industry and over 750 conferences and shows

### **Exhibits Manager, Corporate Communications, Battelle (Columbus, OH) January 1988-January 2000**

- Responsible for successfully managing all aspects of corporate trade show and event marketing program. Approximately 70 events each year, both domestic and international, variety of venues, sizes, budgets, and client needs.

### **Production Manager and Visual Presentation Specialist, Project Management Division, Battelle, (Columbus, OH), April 1985-January 1988**

### **Report Production Department, Battelle, (Columbus, OH) September 1981-March 1985**

## **Education**

B.S., Visual Communications Technology, Bowling Green State University (Ohio) 1981

- Past participation in the Trade Show Exhibitors Association (TSEA) Conference, attended and presented annually from 1989 - 2004
- Participated in the International Association of Exposition Management Annual Conference, attended and presented from 1998-2004

## **Accomplishments**

- Certified Manager of Exhibits
- Volunteer for the Gahanna Creekside Blues and Jazz Festival annually since 2005
- Volunteer with the Columbus Blues Alliance, Events Committee and past President
- Bowling Green State University Cooperative Education Advisory Board, (1987-2011)
- TSEA Board of Directors (1993-2001)
- TSEA Chairman of the Board (1999-2001)
- EACA Board of Directors (1998-2001)
- Bowling Green State University Accomplished Alumni Award March 2002

## **Personal**

- Married since 1981 and we have two boys ages 23 and 28  
Hobbies include reading, camping, technology, cigars, and blues music