

Akvil Sakhare

USER EXPERIENCE DESIGNER

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EXPERIENCE

Self Employed | Designer

July 2018 - Present

- Currently working as a freelance designer with global startups, NGOs, spiritual and cultural organisations and independent artists.
- Few notable projects are listed below.

Aarzo | Head of Design

March 2020 - May 2020

- Wireframes and prototypes for websites and apps.
- Designing a web app from the ground up working directly with the primary stakeholder.
- Brand identity, user story writing and project management.

NTree | Interaction Designer

December 2019 - February 2020

- Design and implementation of home security mobile interface from initial conceptualization to launch.
- Designed layouts, interactions and transitions for all mobile screen sizes and device orientations.
- Responsible for all UI design decisions to create visually stimulating and delightful designs.
- Created all sketches, wireframes and mockups to communicate user flows and interactions to engineer.

Govt. of Rajasthan | UI/ UX Designer

September 2019 - November 2019

- Worked on a contract project with the Government of Rajasthan to redesign their portal of the eProcurement system that enables the tenderers to access the tender schedule and submit the bids online with a strong focus on usability workflows.
- The project involved working with stakeholders to create new information architecture, design sketches, flow diagrams, wireframes and high fidelity interface mockups.

EDUCATION

Masters in Design (M.Des) | Interaction Design

IIT Bombay, India | 2015 - 2017

Masters of Arts (M.A.) | Buddhist Studies

Nagpur University, India | 2013 - 2015

Bachelors of Engineering (B.E.) | Engineering

IIT Bombay, India | 2008 - 2013

Dhanwise | Designer

May 2019 - August 2019

- Designed responsive web interfaces of the platform.
- Collaborated alongside the founder to create and validate workflows and interfaces through multiple iterations.

Docsumo | Designer

September 2018 - April 2019

- Worked on four projects over the course of this contract.
- Collaborated with the founder to create wireframes and designed the interfaces of an enterprise software application.
- Created branding assets such as logo, merchandise, posters and graphics for the website and developed branding guidelines.

Dozee | Senior Designer

September 2017 - May 2018

- Served as chief designer responsible for all of the user experience and visual designs that included creating onboarding experience, information architecture, designing user flows, wireframes and app interfaces over multiple iterations until the beta launch of the product. Led the design vision and helped set the product direction.
- Collaborated with researchers to conduct sleep studies and data scientists to create data visualisations and designed dashboards to display them.
- Conducted market research and user feedback sessions. Worked in both large groups and one-on-one for print and digital projects. Designed the packaging of the device and collaborated with the vendor to manufacture and deliver the cases.
- Designed branding assets like logos, merchandise, infographics, illustrations and posters.

Elysian Experience Studio | Director

June 2016 - June 2017

- Part of the organization since its inception. Supported multiple preliminary organizational setup requirements like documentation, hiring, brand design.
- Formulated the product development workflow of creating Virtual Reality Experiences and scrutinized each process to maximize effectiveness.
- Administered the development of a VR documentary on Kumbh Mela by designing the product lifecycle and collaborating with a team of six members. Supervised the creation of a VR documentary on the life of young monks at Key Monastery in Himachal Pradesh.

SKILLS

Design: Product Design (Full-stack), Graphic Design, Motion Design, Design Strategy, Branding Design, Video Editing, Photography, VR, IoT, Sound Design

Tools: Pencil & Paper, Sketch, Figma, Invision, Unity 3D, Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, After Effects, XD)

Research: Contextual Inquiry, Persona, Storyboarding, Wireframing, Prototyping, Usability Testing, Interview

Programming: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, p5js, Flutter