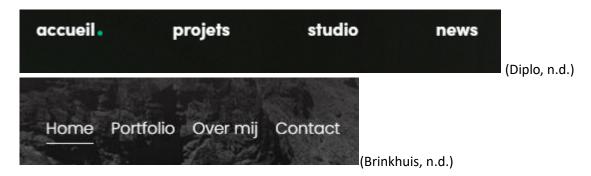
Intuitive and easy to navigate portfolio

For the research question 'how can I make the portfolio easy and intuitive to navigate?' and 'what should always be easy to find, no matter which page you're on on the website' I looked at differ ent example portfolios. With the example portfolios I looked at what information was on a page, how the page is structured, does it have a lot of images, does it have a lot of text and I looked at how the portfolio is navigated. I don't want to divert too much from existing portfolios, because people can get overwhelmed by information that might be on a page and they can get lost if the navigation is something very different than what they are used to.

Similarities

I looked at three different portfolio websites. They all had in common that they had a navbar with their homepage, work and about page. The homepages all showed the highlights of projects that they've done. All of their work pages also only had images with the project title and almost no description of what the project is about. All of the project pages also had a lot of images to show the project and not too much text. All of the portfolios also had the navbar show at the top of the page if you scrolled a bit up.



Majestyk

What makes this website different from the others is that when you scroll the text slowly fades in depending on how low you are on the page. I don't really like this, because when I scroll down I want to go to the next piece, not see something slowly get into view. Another downside to this is that it doesn't really work when you want to read something in the middle of the page, because the text isn't always in view yet.



(Majestyk, n.d.)

Diplo

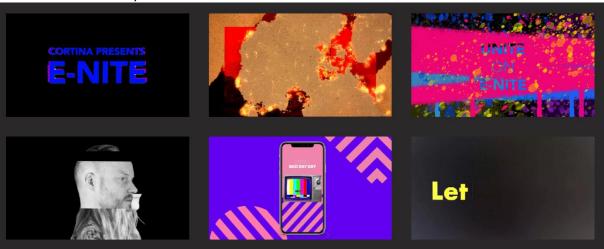
Diplo also does something with scrolling, it shows the content when you scroll down, but it's a fade in when it starts to get into view. It also stays there unless you refresh the page. I personally really like this, because it makes the website feel more alive. What the website also does is show a loading

screen every time you go to a new page. I find this to be a downside to the website, since it takes longer to load the page and I want my webpages to be loaded quickly.



Sven Brinkhuis

This website also shows the content when you scroll down with a fade in that fully stays there until you refresh the page. What this website also does is show his projects in gifs instead of images. This makes the website very chaotic and unclear.



(Brinkhuis, n.d.)

Conclusion

For the research question what should always be easy to find, no matter which page you're on on the website, the navigation bar should show when you scroll up. The navbar should include a link to the home page, your projects and what's important for your website, for instance the learning outcomes.

For the research question how can I make the portfolio easy and intuitive to navigate it's important to not divert too much from existing examples. This makes it easier for people to find everything on the page and makes it less frustrating to use. The homepage should be a brief overview of the project highlights. The project page should show the projects with mostly images and a very brief description. The projects themselves should show the project and use images as much as possible instead of describing the project.

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