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PROFILE

I'm a UX Designer with 3+ years of experience making user interactions seamless and intuitive. I transform empathy into elegant designs and user needs into engaging experiences. Designs should delight in interaction and provoke thought in reflection.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Backstag3 — Contract

Lead UX Designer

Jan 2024 - Present

- Developed and communicated core UX principles, earning positive feedback from stakeholders, staff, and investors.
- Oversaw user research and conducted competitive audits, surveys, and interviews to help the clients find their niche in the virtual reality music space.
- Designed and developed the product's website using Framer, resulting in a significant increase in web traffic.

Ridge Meadows Chamber of Commerce — Internship

UX Designer

Jan 2024 - Sep 2024

- Transformed chamber website to enhance user experience resulting in dramatic bounce rate reduction.
- Designed and prototyped map app that displays business under chamber umbrella, improving organization synergy.
- Crafted digital collateral for company events, garnering increased engagement and participation through compelling visual content and effective communication strategies.

Cybersnake X — Freelance

UX Designer and Graphic Designer

Feb 2024 - On Call

- Crafted UI elements (Health, Armor, Energy, etc) for a virtual reality dungeon shooter game that impressed game developers
- Created graphics for various weapons and power-ups eradicating gameplay ambiguity for players
- Iterated User Experience based on developer feedback ensuring accessibility was at design forefront

EDUCATION

Simon Fraser University

2023

Interactive Arts and Technology - BA

University of Michigan

2024

User Experience & Interaction Design

for AR/VR/MR/XR - Certificate

Google Career Certificates 2022

Google UX Design Professional -

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TOOLS

Software

Figma Adobe After Effects
ProtoPie Adobe Premiere Pro
Adobe XD Adobe Photoshop
Canva Adobe Illustrator
Framer Adobe Indesign

UX

Wireframing Usability Testing
Journey Mapping Prototyping
User Research Personas

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HTML CSS
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AMVETS - Freelance

UX Designer and Illustration Designer

Feb 2024

- Designed check out process for a veterans support non-profit that garnered positive feedback from clients.
- Designed a subtle yet distinctive illustration watermark for official documents, enhancing brand identity and document security while ensuring text readability.
- Communicated key design parameters to clients, ensuring projects hit significant milestones in a timely Manner.

HACKATHONS

Futureproof | Solo Participant

2024

- Coordinated project parameters for product
- Designed new graphics format with artist accreditation, fostering AI art conversation
- Evangelized product in online events to discuss Al's impact on artistic landscape, garnering positive feedback

Eunoia UX Hackathon | Award Winner

2023

- Collaborated with a team of 4 to prototype award-winning website and mobile interface for stakeholders.
- Communicated actionable strategy and insights from the UXR to stakeholders ensuring the vision wasn't blocked.
- Created complex components for high fidelity prototype that won the approval of event judges.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Government of Maple Ridge

2023

- Pitched tents for holiday events like Canada Day and Christmas parades.
- On-call community member ready to help on short notice.
- Organized stalls fot various venders and collaborated on establishing security blockades

Ridge Church Foodbank

2024

- Distributed food and relief supplies to homeless people.
- Discussed website development with non-profit staff.

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