# **DAREN** LOBO

UX DESIGNER

I'm fascinated by creating elegant solutions to complex problems, thus crafting meaningful experiences for the user. My growth mindset helps me see problems as challenges, and hurdles as opportunities.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

# Microsoft India (R&D)

Intern, UX Design May '20 - Jul '20

- Instrumental in building an Excel powered platform to create custom apps for small-medium businesses (SMBs).
- Drove the design effort from concept to implementation as the project's sole UX intern.
- Interviewed users from a diverse array of SMBs from bakeries to clothing stores, to understand their needs.
- Envisioned a 2-part solution combining Excel Web & Mobile for designing and deploying custom apps.
- Leveraged Microsoft Fluent design system to create a scalable solution that fits seamlessly into Office.
- Collaborated closely with developers to launch a working proof-of-concept within 12 weeks.

# Connectplus Innovations

UX Designer
Dec '19 - May '20

- Revamped design for a SaaS based community-building mobile app for enterprises, and the company's website.

- Spearheaded the creative effort by driving product design decisions based on market research.
- Created & documented a flexible design system to ensure scalability and future-proofing.
- Liaised with developers by providing thorough redlines & thorough design reviews.

# Fractal Ink Design Studio

Intern, UI Design May '19 - Jun '19

- Contributed to a myriad of clients & projects across diverse industries ranging from hospitality to finance.
- Leveraged client meetings to understand needs.
- Learned from experienced industry players.

### TOP ACADEMIC PROJECT

### Hotbox

User Research

Jul '19 - Aug '19

Conducted extensive research via contextual inquiry and analyzed the data through artefacts & work models, to help users plan their food habits and stay healthy.

#### **VOLUNTEER WORK**

## National Service Scheme

Volunteer Jun '17 - Mar '18 Volunteered with the National Service Scheme for close to a year to design, develop and prototype a smart walking stick for the visually impaired.

## **EDUCATION**

## **Bachelor of Design**

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay 2017 - 2021

## **SKILLS**

Framer
Principle
Figma
Adobe CC

User Interviews Visual Styling Heuristic Analysis Usability Testing

HTML | CSS | JS Arduino

Problem Solving Storytelling

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