

# MATTHEW HO

Hello

**I am Matthew Ho.** I'm a maker and a designer currently in school. Here are some things that I've done and things that I've learned.

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Education

**2019: Rhode Island School of Design**  
BFA Graphic Design

**2015: The Harker School**

Experience

**April 2017 — current: Graphic Designer**

*Zhenmovate (Start-up / Boston MA)*

As the only designer in the entire start-up, I took up a wide range of tasks. With no prior system of branding, it was up to me to design a logo, and chose typefaces and colors. I also created a wire frame prototype for a web based product. Finally, I conducted in person user studies with the company's target demographic.

**July 2017: Graphic Engineer**

*Polar Onyx (Laser manufacture / San Jose CA)*

At Polar Onyx, I was commissioned to 3D model artworks that would later be used to print inside of glass. The artworks ranged from detailed scale models of national land marks, to abstract 3D compositions

**September 2017: Design Instructor**

*Fang Art Studio (San Jose CA)*

I constructed and ran a 2 week course on ideation for 25 high school art students. With daily assignments, lectures, and critiques, the course challenged students pre-concieved notions of art and design while pushing them to explore their process and their voice as content creators. Anonymous course review scored my course at an average of 4.5/5, with comments such as "in crit, reasoning was always given in a clean concise manner", and "you were open to all ideas it made it easier to show my work without fear of getting it rejected." After the course, several inspired students are looking to apply to RISD.

**September 2017: Co-President of RISD Puppet Club**

As co-president of Puppet Club, I am in charge of organizing, leading, and teaching the constructions of wire-frame puppets. These are detailed stop motion puppets that use a variety of materials. I also am in charge of the branding of the club.

**July 2016/ August 2017: Design Intern**

*Elemental8 (Design Firm / San Jose CA)*

I worked along side professional graphic designers to create brand identities for a variety of clients.

**July — September 2016 : Counselor / Design Instructor**

*UWC-GLF (International Summer Program / Montezuma NM)*

I constructed and ran an eight hour design workshop for 65 international high schoolers, who hailed from over 20 countries. The workshop tasked students to re-design an every day object as a group, opening them to basic design principles. The workshop guided them through the basic design process, and included a critique at the end. The workshop was the highest rated workshop of the summer program, with an average rating of 9.4/10 in anonymous review. Comments included "This activity really opened my eyes to another world of project designing."

Proficiencies

**Software**

Adobe Suite, Rhino5, V-ray, HTML, Javascript, Java

**I Am Excellent At**

Graphic Design, Typography, User Experience, Interaction Design

**I Am Great At**

Photography, Web design, Industrial Design, Wireframe Puppetry