Kai Takahashi

• 18 Seymour St, San Francisco, CA

EXPERIENCE

Zume, Inc.

SAN FRANCISCO & MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA

Product Designer III

APRIL 2019 - PRESENT

- Establish & lead first atomic design system, and lead design for Console (suite of web tools to manage mobile kitchens operations)
- · Design mobile kitchen workflow web app: research, prototyping, delivery
- · Help scale Product Design team from 4 to 12

Product Designer II

MARCH 2017 - MARCH 2019

- · Started as sole designer, helped hire & onboard 15 designers
- · Designed delivery driver iOS & Android app: research, prototyping, delivery
- · Redesigned Zume Pizza ecommerce site, iOS & Android apps
- · Internal admin apps (order dispatch, menu configuration, kitchen display)
- · 2 rebrands (web/apps, logo design, typography), food photography

Digital Surgeons

NEW HAVEN, CT

Design Intern

AUGUST 2016 - FEBRUARY 2017

- · Designed UI, branding, & graphics with CEO, Creative Director, developers
- · Clients included CamelBak, Carnegie Mellon, Freshpet, & NuGo Nutrition

Kaideas 2009 - PRESENT

Freelance design for clients including Yale Carbon Containment Lab;
 The Players' Tribune; Earnest Inc.; Office of the Yale University Printer;
 Yale Investments Office; SME, Inc.; Brandiose; California Summer Music

EDUCATION

Yale University

NEW HAVEN, CT

Bachelor of Arts, Art Major (Graphic Design concentration)

2012 - 2016

- · GPA 3.87/4.0; graduated *cum laude* with distinction in the major
- · Senior thesis: Punctumotion, innovative motion-based punctuation system
- · As Intramural Director, led Berkeley College to 1st championship in 56 years

School of Visual Arts

NEW YORK, NY

Type Design Summer Residency

SUMMER 2014

· Designed typeface Kettle Kern with Tobias Frere-Jones, Jessica Hische

Other education

- · Business Essentials for Designers (Designer Fund Workshop), Fall 2019
- Conferences: Clarity Conference, 2019; Rethink Design Systems, 2018-2019; Brand New Conference, 2019; UI23 (Jared Spool's UIE), 2018
- · Choate Rosemary Hall (HS): GPA 3.8/4.0; SAT 2350/2400; Dean's List

LINKS

PORTFOLIO

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SKILLS

UI/UX

Design Systems
Web, iOS, Android Design
User Research
Prototyping & User Testing
UX Writing & Copywriting
Brand/Identity
Iconography
Figma, Sketch, InVision

Adobe Creative Cloud
HTML/CSS/Javascript
Spanish

AWARDS

Best Overall (team lead), 1st Zume Hackathon

Hero of the Sprint, Digital Surgeons

Yale Lohmann Prize, excellence in undergrad. design, honorable mention

Yale Robert Lewis Award, demonstrating ideals of intramural competition

Berkeley College Mead Cup, contributing most in leadership & service

Berkeley College Athletic Prize

ACTIVITIES

Manager for Zume sports (softball, soccer, dodgeball) Conference room naming Cello & chamber music