Kathy Wu

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Education

Interactive Telecommunications, NYU Tisch * 2017-2018

Rhode Island School of Design * 2011–2015
BFA Graphic Design, with Literary Arts minor. 3.92 GPA.

Brown University * Select Coursework, 2014-2015 Object-Oriented Programming, Chinese I & II.

Experience

Scratch, MIT, Designer ★ 2018-present

Scratch is a programming language & creative community for young people. I work on the brand, UI, & UX research for Scratch.

IBM Design, Visual & UX Designer ** 2014, 2015–2017

Designed interfaces for workplace software. Co-led an initiative to refresh our department's visual language.

IDEO coLab, Design Fellow * 2017, 2015

Used design thinking to intensively research and prototype new opportunities in blockchain and Al.

RISD Writing Center, Advisor * 2013 - 2015
Supported student writers & co-developed writing pedagogy.

Community

Code for Boston, UX Designer * 2017-present Volunteer on civic technology projects which help local governments & non-profits.

Lower East Side Girls Club, Teaching Assistant * 2017 Assisted soldering, 3D printing, & circuitry classes at a non-profit makerspace serving high school girls.

MIT coDesign Studio, Student * 2017 Collaborated with local high schoolers to amplify voices in increasingly gentrifying areas of Boston.

Acton Science Discovery Museum, Guide * 2016-2017 Facilitated harmonograph drawing, makerspace activities, and exhibits with kids 5 through 12.

Recognition

Maker Faire, New York Hall of Science * 2018 Demoed a game about racial bias in search engines.

Finalist, BioDesign Challenge, MoMA * 2018
Presented a speculative design project about marine bioplastics.

RISD Bo Bernstein Award for Excellence * 2015
Department scholarship for overall work in four years.

Hack@Brown University, 1st Place * 2015 MIT Hacking Arts, 1st Place * 2015