Kathy Wu

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Education

Interactive Telecommunications, NYU Tisch * 2017-2018 Completed one year of two year MPS program with full marks.

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.

Recognition

Maker Faire, New York Hall of Science * 2018

Demoed Search Divides Us, a game about racial bias in search engines.

BioDesign Challenge, MoMA * 2018

Presented a speculative design & materials project about bioplastics sourced from jellyfish.

Babycastles, NYC * 2018

Performed a weird poem made using Python and the CMU Rhyming Dictionary.

Bo Bernstein Award for Excellence * 2015

RISD Graphic Design Scholarship for overall work in four years.

Hack@Brown University, 1st Place ***** 2015 200 people joined our mobile MMO game demo.

MIT Hacking Arts, 1st Place * 2015

My team simulated famous paintings in VR.

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 Supported at-risk high school girls in circuitry classes and makerspaces.

RISD Writing Center, Advisor ★ 2013-2015

Supported student writers & co-developed writing pedagogy.