Kyrillos Samaan

Senior/Principal Product Designer (UX/UI)

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13+ Years | Design Systems | Product Design | Front-End Dev Background

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#### **SUMMARY**

Senior Product Designer with 13+ Years in UX/UI, specialising in Design Systems, User Research, and Hi-Fidelity Feature Design & Prototyping. Experienced across healthcare, AI, government, fintech, sport, SaaS, and media. Collaborating fluently with product and engineering teams to deliver scalable, user-centric solutions with speed, refined aesthetics, and measurable impact.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- **Design System Leadership:** Built and scaled multiple design systems (Heatseeker, Cochlear, Betfair, Transport NSW) that improved speed, consistency, visual appeal and developer efficiency.
- **Full-Stack Product Design:** Expertise across research, prototyping, testing, and hi-fidelity design, with measurable impact on engagement, retention, and efficiency.
- **Front-End Engineering Background:** Early career experience as a front-end engineer with strong fluency in dev workflows, enabling precise design handovers, technical empathy, and streamlined collaboration.
- **Cross-Industry Impact:** Delivered product design outcomes across diverse sectors including healthcare, AI, government, fintech, sport, SaaS, and media.
- **Leadership & Mentorship:** Guided design initiatives as a lead and principal, embedding scalable practices and uplifting team productivity
- Advanced CX Frameworks: Developed and applied journey maps, service blueprints, and persona models to uncover deeper insights and guide product vision.

#### **EXPERIENCE**



# Heatseeker (Al Native Market Research)

#### **Senior Product Designer**

- Established a new comprehensive design system for our web application. Improving brand consistency, prototyping speed, dev handover, accessibility and usability.
- Conducting research, prototyping & hi-fidelity UI design for features enabling greater customer acquisition, engagement and retention.



# **Cochlear** (Medical Devices)

#### Senior UX/UI Designer

• Conducting research, prototyping & hi-fidelity UI design for a new implant control app.

 Established a detailed design system for native applications, improving component reutilisation, resulting in significant time savings and enhanced consistency across all product interfaces.



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# **Transport NSW** (Government)

# Senior UX/UI Designer

- Delivered research, prototyping & hi-fidelity design for a new regional booking platform.
- Implemented rapid prototyping techniques while conducting rigorous testing sessions with users across several demographics; refined interface elements leading directly to improved task completion rates.

Betfair Australia (Sport)

# **Product Design Lead**

Designed and shipped a new design system as well as cross-platform app features, achieving alignment between web/app and boosting user satisfaction.

Apr 2025 – Aug 2025

(Contract)

Jul 2024 - Mar 2025

(Contract)

May 2023 - Jun 2024

(Contract)

Oct 2021 - Mar 2023

(Contract)



### **Tent** (Consumer SaaS)

Jan 2023 - Present

#### **Founder**

• Launched website/link-in-bio creation tool specifically for influencers, creators and designers that facilitated rapid deployment of personal brands online; attracting a waitlist of more than 1,000 users pre-launch.

# Croo

## **Croo** (Consumer Saas)

Dec 2020 - Jan 2023

#### **Co-Founder & Design Lead**

• Co-founded a social wellness app during COVID, spearheading the end-to-end product design and reaching over 2000 active users since launch.



# Hardhat (Agency)

**Senior Product Designer** 

Jun 2021 - Aug 2021

(Contract)

• Crafted an intuitive and engaging user experience for the University of Melbourne's Open Day mini-site.



### AIA (Insurance)

Apr 2021 - Jun 2021

(Contract)

Enhanced usability of the AIA Rewards app by implementing targeted design improvements.

# Hudson

# Hudson (Recruitment) Principal UX Designer

Senior UX/UI Designer

Sep 2020 - Dec 2020

(Contract)

 Directed comprehensive UX initiatives focused on optimizing user pathways in a work placement platform; achieving higher task completion rates among users and better candidate/role match.



# Fox Sports (Media)

Jul 2019 - Feb 2020

#### **Principal UX Designer**

- Spearheaded the comprehensive UX/UI redesign of the flagship Fox Sports app, enhancing usability, engagement, advertising-placement opportunities and cross-channel integration.
- Developed and implemented scalable UX practices that streamlined design documentation processes, leading to a significant reduction in project turnaround time across digital products.

#### Senior UX Designer

Jul 2018 - Jul 2019

 Partnered closely with product management and development teams to ideate and implement new functionalities for mobile applications; these enhancements contributed to a significant increase in user retention rates.



# UsTwo (Agency) Product Designer

Apr 2018 - Jun 2018

(Contract)

- Collaborated with Westpac stakeholders to research, prototype, and refine the in-app payment experience, improving usability and customer satisfaction.
- Older experience viewable on LinkedIn

#### **EDUCATION & TOOLING**

#### **Western Sydney University**

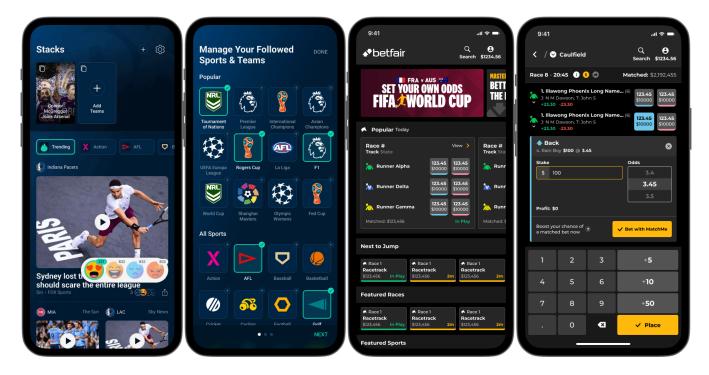
2007 - 2009

Bachelor of Business & Bachelor of Arts in History, Politics & Philosophy

Sydney, Australia

- Initiated a Double Bachelor's degree in International Business and Arts at Western Sydney University; transitioned to entrepreneurship by launching a successful design agency prior to graduation.
- **Figma, Sketch**, Axure RP, Balsamiq, InVision, Marvel, UserTesting, Lookback, Optimal Workshop, Hotjar, Maze, Miro, FigJam, Notion, Principle, LottieFiles, Google Analytics, Webflow, Framer, Trello, Asana, Jira.

#### **Enterprise:**



#### Startup:

