# Lena Malkhasian UX Designer and Researcher

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## **EDUCATION**

#### CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY

Pittsburgh, PA Aug 2014

## **Master of Human-Computer Interaction**

Relevant Coursework: HCl Project, Small Group Study, Interaction Design Studio, User Centered Research and Evaluation, Morality Play, Methodology of Visualization, Human Factors

## UNIVERSITY of MICHIGAN

Ann Arbor, MI May 2013

# **Bachelor of Science & Engineering**

**Computer Science** 

## **PROJECTS**

#### EATON CORPORATION CAPSTONE

Jan - Aug 2014

#### User Research Lead

Leading the team's user research and data synthesis strategy. Conducting research and collaborating in the design process to create the future of Eaton Switchgear.

#### ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE

Jan - May 2014

## **User Experience Designer**

Researching, designing and prototyping a tool that helps decrease the overwhelming number of cats that go through the shelter and educates the public about spay and neuter programs.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

#### **EXPEDIA INC**

#### **Software Engineer in Test Intern**

May - Aug 2013

Collaborated with the Local Expert team, and used agile methodologies while developing code for the team's test infrastructure and gained experience with continuous delivery.

## MICROSOFT CORPORATION

May - Aug 2012

## **Software Development Engineer in Test Intern**

Designed and developed an iOS and Windows 8 solution for mobile bug filing for the SQL Server Mobile Business Intelligence team. Gained experience collaborating with other developers, managers, and interns on the team.

## KRESGE HEARING RESEARCH INSTITUTE

2011 - 2013

#### **Programmer / IT Specialist**

Designed mockups for a new KHRI website and communicated with and created technical solutions for non-technical members of KHRI.

## **SKILLS**

#### Design

Prototyping Wireframing Storyboarding

#### Research

Research Planning Contextual Inquiry Affinity Diagrams Interviews Surveys Think Alouds Heuristic Evaluation A/B Testing

## **TOOLS**

#### Design

Photoshop InDesign Illustrator

## **Programming**

HTML/CSS JavaScript

#### **Prototyping**

Balsamiq

## RELATED **INTERESTS**

Sketching Photography