Sam Gates

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I'm a **product designer** who loves to code. Currently building the future of music marketing at Linkfire in Copenhagen.

Experience

Linkfire / Product Designer

May 2020 - Present · Copenhagen, DK

- Leading the design of Linkfire's core offering for major music labels, independent artists, and music fans globally.
- Building a design system and visual theming strategy to improve design consistency and speed up feature deployment.
- Adding user insights into our product strategy by involving product in interviews with music labels and by increasing communication with the customer support teams.
- Using tools like Metabase and FullStory to measure feature success and identify areas of improvement.
- Working with the business teams in New York and Los Angeles to enable partnerships with companies like Twitch and Snap, ultimately allowing Linkfire to reach +2 billions fans each year.

Freelance / Product Designer

May 2019 - May 2020 · Copenhagen, DK

- Worked with three early-stage startups and one large non-profit.
- Learned key lessons about managing different kinds of stakeholders and getting up to speed quickly on new projects.

Hulu / Product Designer

Jun 2017 - Apr 2019 · Los Angeles, CA

- Designed the Live TV guide for Android, iOS and Web, solving one of the biggest user pain points and ultimately helping the Live TV service grow subscribers by 18% in Q3 2019.
- Improved the video playback experience on Android and iOS, addressing a major complaint in app reviews and increasing the overall app rating.
- Played a major role building prototypes in code, testing users, and ensuring alignment with the design system.

Hulu / UX Design Intern

Jun 2016 - Sep 2016 · Los Angeles, CA

Cartera Commerce / UX Design Intern

Jun 2015 - Sep 2015 · Boston, MA

Education

Tufts University /

Bachelor of Science Engineering Psychology / Minor Computer Science

May 2017 · Boston, MA

Design Tools

- Figma
- Sketch
- Photoshop
- Illustrator
- Framer
- InVision
- Principle

Front-End Tools

- HTML
- CSS
- Sass
- JavaScript
- jQuery
- Vue
- React

Languages

- English (Native)
- Danish (Proficient)
- Italian (Limited)

Interests

- Sailing
- Hiking
- Travel
- Videography
- Languages
- Cuisine