# TINA HONG UX DESIGNER

UX Designer with expertise in: product design & development, branding, qualitative research, quantitative research, and project management.

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# **EXPERIENCE**

# Z SUPPLY, LLC

HEAD DESIGNER | MAY '13-MAR. '18

BRANDS: Others Follow | Ocean Pacific | Gotcha | Z Supply

Tripled sales from 2013-2018 for Others Follow, transforming the brand from an item driven line into a cohesive collection. I was also responsible for designing and developing the brand Z SUPPLY from concept into the highest-profiting, and fastest-growing brand in the company in its first two

- Performed qualitative research (interviews, stakeholder meetings, and observations) and quantitative research (competitive analysis, sales reports, and surveys) to design for customer's
- •Improved rapport with overseas factories through increase of communication, resulting in improved prototypes and faster turn around time in development.
- Provided design direction for graphic artists, resulting in an increase of sales and growth in the Graphic Tee's category for Other's Follow.
- Created branding for new and existing lines based on customer research and needs.
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams to create product for buyers with special needs, increasing the volume of sales for our Special-Make-Ups division.

# SWAT FAME, INC.

SENIOR DESIGNER | Oct. '09-Feb. '12

### BRANDS: See Thru Soul | Kut From the Kloth | Q40 | STS BLUE

Researched, designed, and prototyped junior and contemporary lines while creating and implementing a streamlined workflow and design process, resulting in improved efficiency of the developmental process. Analyzed trends through synthesis of competitive analysis, on-site observations, customer feedback, and sales reports to create customer-centered designs. Successfully exceeded our sales goal of \$7M in our second year of production.

- · Collaborated with production and dev teams to maximize use of materials without sacrificing the aesthetic or quality of designs- successfully lowering cost and increasing profit margins.
- Managed workflow of design team to improve efficiency of design process.
- Traveled to source new factories, resulting in lowered production costs and higher profit margins.

# 4-EVER YOUNG, INC.

HEAD DESIGNER | JAN. '06-JUN. '09

#### BRANDS: Young at Heart | Vyvid

Responsible for project-management, design, and development of brands, while utilizing the strength of their domestic factories, resulting in higher profit margins, and lowered production costs.

- Managed sample room and maintained workflow to improve efficiency of development process.
- Created content and implemented use of marketing materials for email blasts, resulting in an increase in phone and email orders.

# TOOLS

**SKETCH** 

**PHOTOSHOP** 

**ILLUSTRATOR** 

INVISION

HTML/ CSS

# **UX METHOD**

**USER RESEARCH** 

**COMPETITIVE ANALYSIS** 

HEURISTIC EVALUATION

**COGNITIVE WALKTHROUGH** 

**INTERVIEWS** 

**STORYBOARDS** 

**SCENARIOS** 

**PERSONAS** 

**FLOWCHARTS** 

**WIREFRAMING** 

**PROTOTYPING** 

## SKILLS

UX | UI DESIGN

**BRANDING** 

ART DIRECTION

**CONFLICT RESOLUTION** 

**ADAPTABILITY** 

**TEAMWORK** 

**SELF MOTIVATION** 

**COMMUNICATION** 

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

## **EDUCATION**

**UC IRVINE** 

HCI & DESIGN MASTERS '20

**UC IRVINE** 

UX | UI

CERTIFICATE '18

OTIS COLLEGE OF ART & DESIGN

**FASHION DESIGN** BFA '05



