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Experience

Dubai Design Lab

Senior Experience Designer (Freelance) | Oct 2023 - Present

Dubai Design Lab was founded by IDEO as a think tank to work at the intersect of design and Government in the mission of placing Dubai among the world's most liveable cities. During my time there, I've been working with a multidisciplinary team to (re)design, prototype & test exiting policies, strategies, and systems.

Method

Senior Experience Designer | Jun 2021 - Aug 2023

During my time at Method, I worked on redesigning a range of digital products and services covering sectors including childcare, healthcare, DE&I, Sustainability, Energy and more.

Makeshift

Venue Operations Manager & Designer | Aug 2019 - Jun 2021

Makeshift develops disused spaces in London transforming them into destinations for local business and community to thrive. I spent over 2 years managing the day to day operations of Peckham Levels before moving to help support with the opening of their newest venue Hackney Bridge in Hackney Wick. Due to the start-up nature of the organisation, I also worked closely with the design and marketing teams supporting them across a range of design and marketing projects.

The Park

Design Researcher (Freelance) | Jan 2021

Working with award winning experiential agency The Park, I supported the team on a number of projects in design research and ideation. Typically my role would involve breaking down the brief, providing research and ideating on how they could work with their clients to create engaging physical and digital experiences.

Inkling Culture

Design Researcher (Freelance) | Dec 2020

I worked with Inkling Culture on a project reimagining the future of office spaces during the COVID-19 pandemic, ideating and creating strategies that would encourage employees to come back to the office in a post-pandemic world.

Future Strategy Club

Junior Strategist (Freelance) | Jun 2018 - Jan 2019

FSC is an independent creative agency based in London – partnering with global corporates and UK start ups to deliver strategic and creative work. I worked closely with the agencies founder Justin Small as they were in their initial start up stages across a range of projects from business development to a decentralised, community waste system in South London.

Something & Son

Design Intern | Jul - Sept 2018

Something & Sons work explores social and environmental issues via everyday scenarios, crossing the boundaries between the visual arts, architecture and activism. I spent three months working with them on a number of projects including an interactive exhibition on the front lawns of the Tate Britain and the design and build of Peckham Palms - a beauty, hair & wellness space supporting and sustaining independent black creatives.

Education

Goldsmiths University of London

BA Design | Aug 2016 - May 2019

University of Arts London

Art & Design Foundation Diploma | Sept 2015 - May 2016