

Matthew Zuckman

I'm a passionate design leader who collaborates to build transformative product experiences. I bring a proven track record for building, growing, and mentoring creative design teams, finding patterns and opportunities within businesses, and leveraging deep knowledge to develop compelling experiences across platforms and screens.

Employment History

Yahoo

Design Director, Communications

Mail, Calendar, Groups,
Contacts, Notepad

2013–present

- Led the large scale front-end redesign of Mail and Calendar for an audience of 300 million customers
- Designed hero flows: setting design direction, refining the problem spaces, and highlighting values-based benefits for all products
- Strengthened the cross-discipline team via models that inspired deep thinking, ideation, efficiency, and strategic alignment
- Worked across the network to define hiring practices, charters, and reviews criteria to ensure the quality of talent and processes

Yahoo

Design Director, Commerce

Autos, Travel, Shopping,
Homes, Games

2010–2013

- Led the development of lead-generation opportunities by focusing on meaningful values, increasing page views and time spent 30-50% across the portfolio
- Directed the multi screen migration to the global publishing system; refining scope to preserve experience and revenue
- Drove the re-imagining of Autos, Travel, and Shopping by producing forward-looking visions that informed the strategy
- Designed and prototyped mobile experiences across multiple devices, testing concepts and building executive support.

Publicis Modem

VP/Director, User Experience

PayPal, LG, UBS,
SunPower Foundation

2008–2010

- Oversaw the re-launches of PayPal's consumer and business sites, bringing double-digit growth in lead generation and adoption
- Supported LG Mobile's digital strategy by delivering rich-presence marketing experiences for all new phone releases
- Recruited and managed team of designers; directed utilization and billable percentages across teams and accounts
- Provided bench strength across the Publicis network by collaborating on projects and strategic initiatives in other offices

Real Branding

Director, User Experience

Disney, ABC, ESPN,
Anheuser-Busch, Lipton,
Red Lobster, USGA

2007–2008

- Led the joint SOAPnet/agency team through all phases of large redesign project: developing community, architecture, and content strategies for all screens
- Grew the experience design practice by providing thought leadership, mentoring designers, and pitching new business
- Worked with company leadership to develop processes and deliverables, defining the scoping models for client engagements

Earlier positions

AKQA

Microsoft Xbox, Target, Nike, Autodesk, McDonald's, 2008, 2010

Masters Program Study Advisor, Academy of Art University

2008–2010

Senior User Experience Designer, McCann Worldgroup

Clorox, NBC Universal, 2007

Senior User Experience Designer, Eleven Inc.

The Doctors Company, 2006–2007

Senior Information Architect, Tribal DDB

Clorox, Armor All, Hidden Valley, Fresh Step, NBC Universal, 2005–2006

Senior User Experience Designer, EVB

AT&T, Wrigley, Adidas, Leapfrog, 2005–2007

Lead Interaction Designer, Enterpulse

Albertsons, 2004

Information Architect, Grey Global Group

Oracle, Wells Fargo, 2003–2004

Executive Producer, Epylon Corporation

1999–2001

Producer, Foote, Cone & Belding

3Com, Sega Dreamcast, 1998 – 1999

Producer, Think New Ideas

Silicon Graphics, 1997 – 1998

Designer, Printz Electronic Design

Silicon Graphics, 1995 – 1996

Education

Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI

BFA, industrial design, with emphasis on human/machine interface design

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

Liberal arts, with emphasis on economic and political sciences