MARINA ALDARONDO

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Rhode Island School of Design / Bachelor of Fine Arts, Industrial Design 2016

I am a multidisciplinary designer with over 7 years experience in product design, graphic design, interior design, UI/UX, and illustration. Whether it's a complex system or a simple sketch, I bring a holistic approach that gives clients confidence that the design will succeed both in the short-term and long-term. I am a strategy oriented designer, an unwavering advocate for the user, and a committed partner to my clients.

EXPERIENCE

Designer

Sproutel, Inc. / 07.2020 - 01.2022

Digital Design

 Operated as lead designer on internal and external facing websites, app asset development, social media content creation, motion graphics, deck templates, and brand/character illustrations.

Product Design

- Led the brand redesign for our most popular product, Purrble - awarded Time Magazine's Best Inventions 2021.
- Responsible for the development of design deliverables such as product ideation + concepts, renderings, packaging, hang tags, instructions, print ads, and additional brand collateral.

Co-Founder & Design Director

Ark Woods & Services Co., LLC / 05.2019 - 05.2020

Design Direction

- Led content creation, company branding, design strategy and implementation, website development, and product development in both digital and physical sectors of the company.
- Drove market research and business strategy initiatives in order to create a distinct offering for our target audience.
- Executed on client projects as lead designer.

Team Management

- Responsible for the creation of the company's first internship program and the oversight of three cycles of interns (8 interns total.)
- Instructed and collaborated with team members on the creative vision and strategy of the company's developing product lines.

Sales & Operations

• Key member of the company's sales initiatives, client relationships/networking, program management, hiring, resourcing, and facilities upkeep.

Human Centered Industrial Designer & Marketing Strategist

Ximedica / 07.2016 - 04.2019

Industrial Design

- Member of a multidisciplinary team responsible for developing complex products and systems within the medical device industry.
- Responsible for delivering usability-driven solutions while balancing strict technical requirements.
- Unwavering advocate for the user within this highly regulated and exceedingly technical industry.

Marketing

- Responsible for delivering visual communication design expertise and sensibilities on both internal and external marketing deliverables - such as project proposal templates, trade show collateral, company-wide communications, external event presentations, and company branding/messaging.
- Single handedly led two office remodels (San Francisco and Silicon Valley offices) to support the cohesion of the Ximedica brand and product experience across all of their four sites.

Adjunct Faculty

RISD Industrial Design / Spring 2020, Spring 2022 Design as the Accelerator, Advanced Studio Course

Co-professor of a professional practice studio class for undergraduate Juniors/Seniors aimed at demonstrating that a disciplined design approach can be instrumental in defining growth opportunities for companies, whether they are large or small - for profit or not. The intent is that a user centered team will identify opportunities to grow the company within its core mission and articulate those opportunities in a business context. Students conclude the semester with the tools, methods and terminology they will need in order to find success within their design careers after college.

SKILLS

Product Design

 Market research / concept development / storyboarding / low-high fidelity prototyping

Brand Identity

• Creative direction / visual identity assets, brand guides, and collateral design development

Web Design and Development

 Art direction / brand integration / wireframing / prototyping + mock-ups / design + development

Illustration

• Brand illustrations / character design / motion graphics **Graphic Design**

• Digital marketing assets / social media / business collateral / presentation templates

Character

• Strategy oriented / collaborative work ethic / communicative / attentive / detail oriented / empathetic / high spirited