# **Rick Makoul**

## **Digital Visual Designer/UI**

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Self-motivated, bold and results-driven Visual Designer with 10 years of experience in UI and digital design excellence.

## **Work Experience**

Digital Visual Designer | ACD

03/2024 - present, Los Angeles

Freelance-Consultant

Sr. Visual Designer | ACD

03/2023 - 02/2024, Los Angeles

The Marketing Store (TMS): Contract

- Streamlined workflow optimization for design system and UI structure: efficiencies helped increase output from 50% to 100%. The UI design outputs and design solutions benefited the project each week for over 9 months.
- I helped improved the user and brand experience for 2 teams and design systems for more than 4 Localization/UI projects; directly benefiting a Fortune 500 client: most notably for McDonald's Food Corp.

Sr. Visual Designer

10/2021 - 02/2023, Los Angeles

Analog Devices (ADI): Contract

- My successful UI designs and project management increased website content output by 15% over a 2 year period.
- KOR metrics results from User Interface designs resulted in a sizable site-visitor uptick: from +1.67 % to +3% YoY.

Sr. Visual Designer

01/2021 - 07/2021, Los Angeles

Limeade: Contract

• My efficient and consistent UI design solutions were consistently delivered over a 6 month period for all visual design deliveries across 360° marketing campaign; attributing to 100% pixel accuracy and top-notch results.

Sr. Visual Designer

08/2018 - 05/2020, Los Angeles

BeamLabs-Guardian-BQE Software: Contract

 Collaborated with team of 3 for a web design UI project, 1 Brand re-Design, 1 agency brand packaging campaign and 1 e-Commerce Amazon Marketplace campaign over a 6 month period. The structured UI designs resulted a 35% decrease in navigation time, significantly improving user efficiency and contributed to a 25% boost in lead generation.

### Skills

#### **Visual Design Tools**

- · Adobe CC: Photoshop-Illustrator-AE
- · Figma, Axure, Zeplin, Abstract
- Framer, Principle-UI, Just-in-Mind
- Generative-Al Content Design
- · WorkFront, Asana, MS365, CMS/DAM

## **Visual Design Proficiencies**

- UI.UX, Product Design, Interactive (IxD)
- · Research, Wireframe-Prototype, Design System
- Graphics, Packaging, 3D, MotionGrfx
- Design Trends, Illustration, Data-Brand Storytelling

#### **Soft Skills**

- · Collaborative spirit, adaptable and problem-solver
- · Resourceful and biased towards results
- · See the BIG picture and granular attention to details
- · Consistent learner and 'Info-Sponge'
- Positive attitude & passion for creativity

#### Education

Bradley Academy of Visual Arts, York, PA AAS Degree in Visual Design & Graphics

California Institute of the Arts

Certification in UX.UI Design - Bootcamp

#### **Current and On-going Level-up Courses**

#### Domestika/Awwwards Academy (.com)

Product Design, Systems Design, UX.UI, Interactive, UI for Mobile, UX Storytelling, Generative AI, Coding

#### **Testimonials**

"Great team attitude...Strong work ethics"

"A solid partner...Spectacular job"

"Visuals with pizzazz...Very thorough"