CHRISTOPHER WATSON

PRODUCT DESIGN & CREATIVE DIRECTION

ABOUT

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Profile

Multidisciplinary designer with an affinity for telling the unique stories of exceptional brands and producing human centered experiences that positively impact the way users think, feel and ultimately behave. I believe in ideas that are designed entirely with audiences in mind from concept to deployment and are supported by qualitative and quantitative results.

KEY EXPERIENCES • Google

Google 2018-2023

Interaction Designer Full-time

- Collaborated closely with cross-functional teams to define product requirements and delivered enterprise UI designs to overhaul fleet health infrastructure & technician operations across 200+ sites globally. Increased CSAT (*customer satisfaction*) 30% within first quarter of MVP deployment.
- Drove research initiatives including 300+ individual user interviews, user journey mapping and sentiment synthesis. Created and managed focus groups accounting for over 400 members across EMEA and NASA.
- Onboarded and mentored team members; created personalized workstreams to support their contextual foundation and success.
- Certified Google interviewer that assessed candidates proficiencies in problem solving, communication and the ability to thrive in ambiguity.
- Received 11 internal awards over two years for design excellence, customer outreach and milestone delivery. Maintained an "Outstanding" calibration rating throughout my tenure.

RECOGNITIONS • 2021	Google gThanks Awards Peer (X7), Executive (X4)
• 2015	Nominated CSSAwards.com
• 2014	Featured Designer Creative Bloq Magazine
• 2013	Guest Panelist/Speaker Adobe® Max Creative Conference

Guest Lecturer

Art Institute of Austin, TX

2013

EDUCATION

Google

Certified Google Interviewer 2022

Art Institute of Austin

BFA, Interactive Media Design 2008 - 2011

Dallas Sound Lab

Certification in Acoustic Sciences 2005

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WORK HISTORY • Google

2021 - 2023

Interaction Designer Full-time

- Design lead on UX/UI initiatives for data center health enterprise software, responsible for infrastructure maintenance of 40% of all internet traffic and services world-wide.
- · Delivered creative interfaces optimizing interactions between humans, machine learning and automated systems.
- Initiated and socialized north star product vision and AR opportunities that capitalized on unique ergonomics and global execution.
- Generated critical user journey maps and artifacts through research, usability testing, focus groups and collaborative workshops.

Google

2018 - 2021

Product designer Contract

- · Identified opportunities, defined success metrics and delivered atomic-level design systems for a net new enterprise platform serving data center resource economy; evangilized solutions across product areas.
- · Conducted and synthesized UX research. Ideated, iterated and prototyped complex user interfaces for >1,500 user workflows.
- · Effectively communicated with x-functional partners including PMs, PdMs, Engineers and stakeholders to align on vision, organizational objectives, triage and burndown.

Creature Media

2010 - 2018

Creative Director/Principal Full-time

- · Conceptualized and delivered digital strategies, content and visual design collateral that empowers the voice of small and medium sized businesses including healthcare, lifestyle and tech industries.
- · Drove digital product development, accountable for execution and deployment across remote teams.

Adobe

2015 - 2016

Visual Designer Project Contract

· Designed and delivered highly visual UI demonstration assets in support of Adobe Muse (now Adobe XD) product offering featured at the Adobe Max Creative Conference and Creative Blog magazine.

MuseThemes

2013 - 2016

Art Director Contract

· Delivered visual web design for proprietary theming and modular UI components that surfaced diverse data sets. Demonstrated the ability to be a charismatic leader and individual contributor.

PROFICIENCIES • Tools

Creative Collaboration

Principle Premiere Google Workspace Taskflow Sketch Trello Photoshop **InVision** Figma Illustrator Jira Smartsheets Miro XD Slack