EMILY ZHOU Product Designer

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EXPERIENCES

Product Designer

Apr 2019 - Present

DragonPlus, Inc. San Mateo, CA

Designed 3 coloring apps (iOS & Android) from scratch, featuring gamified immersive digital coloring book experience, with highest category ranking 49 on App Store and ARPDAU 0.12 (Anime Paint app). Responsible for all phases of the design process, as well as directing the UX strategy.

- Interaction Design: created intuitive interaction for the core coloring experience with timely and fun-to-watch feedback such as delightful animations; developed monetization related designs such as daily gifts and watch-ad-for-rewards prompts that helped achieve business goals
- Rapid Prototyping: developed low to high fidelity prototypes such as video prototypes demonstrating core coloring experience for early stage internal review, made with Adobe Suites, or clickable prototypes with real animations demoing in-app store experience for usability tests, made with Origami Studio and Sketch
- UX Strategy: created provisional personas and validated them to assist design decision making and help the company understand their customers better

UI/UX Designer

Sep 2017 - Apr 2019

Meitu, Inc. San Jose, CA

Designed UI/UX for 2 photo retouch mobile apps AirBrush (rates 4.9, App Store US #21, RU #1, localized in 6 languages) and PlusMe. Responsible for all phases of the design process, conducting user research and coordinating localization.

- UI/UX Design: designed both large projects (camera redesign, filter store, AirBrush subscription), and retouch features (Bokeh, Relight, Matte & Highlighter); raised subscribing rate with localized easy-to-use experiences
- Design System: upgraded and encapsulated the brand style into a design system; consisted of a component library (glyphs, card, templates) plus a set of interaction guidelines
- User Research: conducted user research (paying user research, phototaking behavior research); responsible for planning, and conducting research (interviews, shadowing, user testing); generated insights such as "the popular beauty magic feature can bring in revenue"

Web & Digital Designer

Jul 2017 - Sep 2017

Samchat, Inc. Los Gatos, CA

Prototyped the interface of the iviia web app. Created marketing designs including brochures, and video campaigns.

Sound Designer

Aug 2016 - Dec 2016

Schell Games Pittsburgh, PA

Designed the audio interaction and produced the audio assets of two games: the iPad drawing game Monster (Oppenheim Platinum Toy Award 2016) and the LEGO Daydream game.

Digital Marketing Designer

Jun 2016 - Aug 2016

Capitol Records Los Angeles, CA

Redesigned the email newsletter layout with optimized mobile displays for the record labels under the Capitol umbrella; integrated the designs into HTML templates for future use. The labels HARVEST, BLUE NOTE and ASTRALWERKS officially started using these templates.

EDUCATION

Master of Entertainment Technology

Carnegie Mellon University 2015 - 2017 Pittsburgh, PA

B.S. in Computer Science

Nanjing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics 2011 - 2015 Nanjing, China

SKILLS

Product Design

Interaction Design UI/UX Design Visual Design Motion Design Rapid Prototyping Mockups Wireframing

Responsive Design **UX Strategy**

UX Writing Localization

User Research

Usability Tests Research Planning In-depth User Interviews Field Study Shadowing Survey Competitive Analysis

Design Tools

Sketch

Adobe Photoshop Adobe After Effects Adobe Lightroom Adobe Illustrator InVision

Programming Languages

HTML/CSS Javascript

Origami Studio