Yuliana Zhang

Professional Summary

- Creative and results-driven visual designer with 7+ years of experience driving brand identity, digital experience, and go-to-market design in fast-paced tech environments. Known for translating complex narratives into clear, compelling visual systems that build trust, elevate perception, and support business growth.
- Owns end-to-end visual design across all brand touchpoints-driven by initiative, adaptability, and a strong focus on customer impact. Grounded in go-to-market strategy, with a proven track record of evolving brand language, driving engagement, and crafting stories that scale across web, event, and content platforms.
- Collaborates closely with cross-functional teams-including product managers, video producers, web developers, and marketing stakeholders-to plan and execute work across platforms. Builds scalable design systems and aligns with external agencies and vendors on both creative direction and production. Mentors junior designers and fosters a culture of shared craft and continuous growth.

Experience

Communication Designer

Applied Intuition

>>> Impact Highlights

- · Led and owned art direction for Intersect 2024, Applied's flagship conference, from initial concept exploration through final production-delivering cohesive creative across the event website, signage, booth graphics, and environmental design. The event hosted 500+ attendees, 18 speakers, 12 sessions, and 50+ demo booths, achieving a 4.2 satisfaction rating.
- Designed go-to-market creative for the Series F launch, including user journey, press visuals, and digital brand assets that supported a successful funding announcement.
- Executed a wide range of visual assets across marketing and product touchpoints-including websites, presentations, one-pagers, social content, swag, and internal tools-ensuring a consistent, elevated brand presence.
- >>> Strategic Initiatives
- Customized Applied's presentation design system for high-profile clients, including Porscheleading to positive feedback and a direct request to reuse the materials internally.
- Created a dark-themed slide system to support audience-specific storytelling in technical/ defense contexts
- Refreshed branding across YouTube and LinkedIn, developing scalable thumbnail templates and banners for consistency across channels.
- >>> Collaboration & Leadership
- Managed vendor relationships across events, swag, and print projects-overseeing production details, pricing, and quality to ensure strong design outcomes.

Visual Designer

Okta

>>> Impact Highlights

- Led and shipped around 30 product pages and launched 15 pages during Okta and Auth0 migration in Q4 2023
- Led UX and design for Oktane 2023 conference site (13,600 attendees, \$300M+ pipeline), collaborating across 5 teams and overcoming launch blockers.
- Contributed to the 2021 Okta rebrand, partnering with Collins to define a new art direction-resulting in a +44% increase in average session duration on the Homepage and notable uplifts in conversion rates across key pages
- >>> Strategic Initiatives
- Created scalable templates for industry solutions pages and content modules.
- · Built and maintained the Content Web UI kit to streamline workflows across internal and agency teams.
- Introduced Lottie-based animation for better performance and dev efficiency.
- >>> Collaboration & Leadership
- Collaborated with agencies (Collins, Globant, Contrast) to maintain brand coherence.
- Led motion education sessions and provided mentorship to empower team members with animation skills and facilitate knowledge sharing within the team.
- Acted as a mentor to junior UX designers, offering guidance in goal-setting, structuring projects, and providing regular feedback to support their growth and development.

Illustrator / Motion Graphics Designer

Instapage

>>> Impact Highlights

- Produced ~100 videos in 2 years, increasing view count from 6K to 23K (+400%).
- Led art direction and motion design for product demos, campaigns, and how-to content.
- Standardized storyboarding templates to speed collaboration and production.
- · Partnered with the CEO to align video design with brand values and messaging.

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Technical Skills

- GPT-4o+Sora
- Midjourney
- Runway
- Figma
- Adobe Creative Suite (Illustrator, Photoshop, InDesign, After Effects, Premiere Pro)
- Lottie Animation
- HTML/CSS/JavaScript
- Google suites
- Asana/Jira/Trello

Skillsets

- Art Direction
- Branding
- UI / Visual Design
- UX Strategy
- Motion Design
- Design System
- Prototyping

Education

Parsons School of Design

MFA, Design and Technology 2014 - 2016

University of Oregon

BS, Product Design 2011 - 2014

2019.7 - 2024.2

2024.5 - now

Mountain View

San Francisco

San Francisco

2017.2 - 2019.7