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## **EXPERIENCE**

# Design lead, Jio

Feb 2023 - Present

- Led design of Jio's design system management tool, optimizing scalability, workflow integration, and documentation efficiency utilised across Jio products.
- Designed Layers, a Figma plugin enabling designers to apply DS components and tokens while allowing developers to generate UI code seamlessly.
- Prototyped an AI-driven UI builder leveraging vibe coding to explore intelligent design dev workflows.
- Developed the onboarding strategy, governance model, and GTM playbooks for scaling Layers + DS v3.0 adoption across Jio, supported by guides, demos, and reporting systems.
- Led design of Jio's design system documentation platform, improving scalability, workflow integration, and adoption across Jio's portfolio products.

# Senior Product Designer, Compass

Jul 2020 - Jan 2023

- Designed the 'Find an Agent' experience with advanced search and profile features, driving a 50% increase in monthly users within six months.
- Designed end-to-end Agent-Client Connections across iOS, Web, and Android, boosting monthly invite send rates by 64%.
- Strategically Led the Lead Validation Program with research and A/B testing, increasing agent action rate from 40% to 72%.
- Supported design hiring by conducting portfolio reviews and leading white boarding sessions. Contributed part-time to the design system by creating new components and patterns.

# Product Designer, Hiver

Feb 2019 - Jun 2020

- Led end-to-end design of the Reports module from research and high-fidelity design to prototyping and usability testing - driving 60% Analytics adoption within 6 months.
- Redesigned the product with a new brand identity and design system, featuring updated visuals, iconography, motion design, and WCAG AA-compliant accessibility. Partnered with engineers to ensure smooth, phased implementation.

## UX Designer, iB Hubs

Jun 2016 - Dec 2018

Mar 2015 - Mar 2016

Designed 10+ products across iOS, Android, and Web in diverse sectors, while building a
unified design system, brand guidelines, and marketing sites to ensure consistency across
the portfolio.

# Co-founder, Spidyhost

• Led the design and served a multitude of clients with design of advertising material such as websites, logos, intro videos, and digital, print materials.

SKILLS

**UX** Design

Visual Design

Design Systems

Vibe Coding

Al Prototyping

Rapid Prototyping

Accessibility

Interaction Design

**Usability Testing** 

#### TOOLS

Figma

Adobe suite

Sketch

Miro

HTML & CSS

Cursor

V0.dev

Other GenAl tools

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

Al for Designers

Design Thinking

Usability Testing

Accessibility Specialist

## EDUCATION

IIIT RK Valley

Bachelors in Metallurgy 2012 - 2016