

TOP-LINE PROFILE

I am excited to design product + service ecosystems enabling users to seamlessly interact with their devices, content, and each other, making new and everyday tasks delightfully simple—anywhere.

I bring an MS, Cognitive Science and 15 years of User Experience (UX) design and research practice in web and software products for enterprise users and consumers. A consummate team player in teams with diverse stakeholders, I spark problem re-thinking, generate designs quickly, openly "riff" on ideas, and foster both official and social consensus, all with a fun, collaborative spirit.

Specific areas of expertise include:

- Synthesizing user and domain research, requirements, constraints, etc. into “big pictures” and designs that fit and improve users' activity, task, and tool ecosystems
- Creating low to high fidelity prototypes (paper sketches, Balsamiq, HTML/CSS, Axure, InVision, Proto.io, Photoshop), wireframes, screen-flow diagrams, pattern libraries, UX documentation
- Communicating designs and user research to teams and stakeholders, collaborating and iterating in accordance with research, feedback, or scope and implementation challenges
- Mentoring teams in UX techniques, working with them throughout the development lifecycle

Experience

EQUINIX

2015 to present

User Experience Designer

Collaborated with product managers, developers, SMEs, UX designers to extend transactional portal—designed new features, extended existing product: low to high fidelity prototypes.

UX CONSULTANT. Clients: Axway (Designer), Juniper Networks (Researcher), ...

2011 to 2015

Axway: Guided UX for cloud-based service with product manager and architect team from brainstorming to prototype and proposed vision for mobile interactions. Developed personas, designed new patterns, extended existing product (HTML/CSS/JS + Salesforce's Force.com), and collaborated with product managers, architects, and developers in an Agile environment.

JUNIPER NETWORKS

2003 to 2010

Interaction Designer 2007-2010, Usability Consultant 2003-2007

Designed, evaluated, and rebranded Web applications and sites, including:

- Order Status Tool: Redesigned tool to improve usability, boldly creating Juniper IT's first richly interactive Web 2.0 application, setting and documenting new UX standards
- License Management System: Designed and scaled application from two product lines to 18
- Public, partner, and customer sites and applications: various roles for five site-wide redesigns

YAHOO!

2003

User Experience Researcher, Contractor

Evaluated designs using usability tests, surveys, and online discussion group. Provided results and design directions via debriefings, quick findings, presentations, and full reports to multi-disciplinary product teams for Yellow Pages, Web application for businesses, and Search.

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KINTANA**2001 to 2002****Usability Architect**

Approved usability of all functional designs for suite of three products (v4.5).

Initiated and conducted Kintana's first usability study—done with premier clients; reduced scrolling by 60% in flagship products' main transaction screens. Designed suite-wide common components for both web-based and Java applet.

Championed GUI standards socially and officially to 70-developer department including interaction designers, graphic designers, developers, and development managers over two development cycles.

KNIGHT RIDDER DIGITAL**1999 to 2001****Usability Analyst**

Created look-and-feel and HTML/CSS standards; wrote style guide for RealCities (RC) network, including search engine, directory, weather, site administration tools, and authentication system.

Introduced fast new UX design methods, designing RC Marketplace (2000 EPpy finalist for Best Online Shopping Application) in a **company-record design-to-release timeline**.

Created UX development process and staffing plan with VP-Technology, Software Development.

USABILITY ENGINEER, CONSULTANT. Clients: Telleo Inc., Women.com**2000**

Conducted heuristic evaluation of Web site and voice menu system. Designed usability lab.

MICROSOFT CORPORATION: Usability Engineer, Intern**1998**

Managed three-engineer team. Designed and conducted usability benchmark study of MS Office 2000's core UI. Created new procedure, improving preparation time and reliability by 66%.

EDUCATION**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO**

MS-Cognitive Science (1998). Advisor: Ed Hutchins

Thesis (1997): "The Organization of Action in a Socially Distributed Cognitive System". Created and used a usability lab with videotape, transcription, and analysis.

BS-Cognitive Science (1994), *magna cum laude*

Phi Beta Kappa

PROFESSIONAL

Training classes: "Interaction Design Practicum" (Cooper), "Designing Usable Web Sites" and "Paper Prototyping" (User Interface Engineering), "Presenting Data and Information" (Edward Tufte).

AWARDS AND AFFILIATIONS

2006 ASP Top 10 Support Website: Juniper Networks

2000 EPpy Award Finalist (Best Shopping Application in a Newspaper Online Service): Knight Ridder

Member: BayCHI (Vice Chair 2015 to present), ACM SIGCHI, Phi Beta Kappa, *magna cum laude*