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ABOUT

A passionate multidisciplinary designer and researcher with 18 months experience of professional work with a diverse portfolio spanning high-end residential projects, offices spaces and furniture design, complemented by volunteer work. Currently completing a MA in Interior Design at Royal College of Art with a specialisation in speculative spatial design futures and research. My work is characterised by rigorous research, critical thinking, and a collaborative, user-centered approach, with a strong focus on micro spaces and sustainability.

Passionate about community-driven design in socio-cultural contexts, I aim to create sustainable impactful solutions by blending storytelling with spatial design. My interests lie in intertwining research into projects to explore the narratives of spaces, histories and futures while integrating psychology and human emotions into the design process.

A fast learner with proficiency in a wide range of software and technical skills, I bring strong organisational abilities and a collaborative spirit to every project and team. My professional and academic journey has been recognised with multiple awards and distinctions, reflecting a consistent commitment to excellence and innovation.

CORE COMPETENCIES

Interior Architecture
Client management
Problem solving
Trend analysis

Furniture design
Research
3D visualisation
Technical drawing

Space planning
Collaboration
Project management
Speculative design

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS or PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Academic Excellence Award (University level award) for Bachelor's in Interior design at CEPT University, Ahmedabad, India.

Design registered and published by the controller general patents, design and trademarks, department of industry and internal trade, government of India for display unit - Biopop

Distinction award for Graduate Diploma in Arts & Design course at Royal College of Art, London, UK

Collabrative exhibition (EastBound) along with various artists (visual designer, animator, graphic designer) at Way Out East gallery in University of East London, London, UK

Surface design show (Creative collective) along with various designers & artists showcasing my creative collective project at Innovation gallery in Design Buisness centre, London, UK

EDUCATION & AFFILIATIONS

Royal College of Art, London, UK (2024-current)
MA Interior Design

Royal College of Art, London, UK (2024)
Graduate Diploma in Design

Centre for Planning & Technology (CEPT), Ahmedabad, India (2017-2022)
Bachelor's in Interior Design

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Mac & PC Literate. **Microsoft Office** – Excel, Word, Powerpoint - Intermediate
InDesign - Advanced, **SketchUp** - Advanced, **Photoshop** - Advanced
Autocad - Advanced, **Premire pro** - Intermediate, **Rhino** - Intermediate
Enscape - Advanced, **Lumion** - Advanced, **Lightroom** - Advanced

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Patel-Vadodaria Design Research Studio, Ahmedabad, India
June 2023
Interior Designer

July 2022 -

- Led the design with working drawing set (general layout, rcp, electrical & furniture drawings), 3D model renders and execution of Snehal Sagar apartment and Glade one farmhouse in Ahmedabad using autocad, sketchup & enscape.
- Assisted senior architect for Mehta house project (two residences in Ahmedabad) in working drawing set (layout, floor plan, electrical, rcp, bathroom & kitchen), 3D model renders, quantities & schedules along with delivered look & feel presentation pitch to clients using autocad, enscape, excel and powerpoint.
- Co-led in a team of two for Deem roll office general layout drawings, delivering look & feel presentation to clients along with deliverable schedule and material quantity sheets using autocad, sketchup, enscape, excel and powerpoint.
- 3D model and rendering for Mehta house (two residences), Arvind uplands (farmhouse residence), Snehal Sagar (apartment), Glade one (farmhouse residence) and Deem roll (office) in Ahmedabad & Vadodara using sketchup & enscape.
- Managed project timelines and collaborated with architects, engineers, and contractors to ensure cohesive and compliant designs of the projects.

Sukrut (Amala Shah), Ahmedabad, India
Interior Design Intern

January 2021 - June 2021

- Assisted senior architect in making terrace extension architectural drawing set (working drawing: plans & sections, layout options, electrical & toilet) for Viral Desai residential project in Ahmedabad using autocad.
- Led the design for furniture, door-window & kitchen drawings set for Ramvatika Gym project, Ajit Shah residence, Rambaug swimming pool in Ahmedabad using autocad.
- Prepared mood boards, sample boards and client presentation, aiding project approvals using microsoft powerpoint.
- Led the execution of working drawing set for keyur shah spring valley residence project in Ahmedabad with renovation drawings (plans & sections) and electrical drawing.
- Assisted in project management tasks, including scheduling and client correspondence with senior designers and architects.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Open house, London, UK
Guide & Steward

September 2024

- Acted as knowledgeable guide for with over 30 visitors daily, answering questions and facilitating discussions to enhance public understanding of architectural design during annual Open House festival, showcasing London's architectural residences which includes:
 - Don't Move, Improve! - House Made by Many Hands (Cairn, 2023)
 - Havant House 53 (Natasha Landers 2016)
 - 33 Buchanan Gardens (Studio 1 Architecture/Studio Fuse in collaboration with designer Charlotte Hussein Decoresidence, 2019)
 - Don't Move, Improve! - Chelsea Brut (Pricegore 2022)

Royal College of Art, London (MA Interior Design), UK
Student Program Representative & Inside out lecture series core member

September 2024 - Present

- Representing student body in regular meetings with faculty and administration, voicing student concerns and contributing to curriculum improvement initiatives
- Organized engaging events, including quiz nights and potluck gatherings, to offer students a refreshing break from their hectic schedules.
- Led the content team for inside out student led lecture series, overseeing roles including the social media coordinator, promotional coordinator, and audio/visual coordinator. Collaborating with other 5 core members to ensure seamless promotion, communication, and execution of the event.