# **AARON HILTZ**UX RESEARCH & DESIGN

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## **SKILLS SUMMARY**

# **Design Tools**

Adobe Creative Suite
Sketch + InVision
Figma
Axure RP
Miro
Trello
Keynote
Google Slides
PowerPoint

## **UX Methodologies**

Sketching & Wireframing
Prototyping
Comparative Analysis
Heuristic Evaluation
Usability Testing
Journey Mapping
UX Strategy
Website Architecture

# **Online Marketing**

HTML & CSS Coding Wordpress CMS SEO SEM Google Analytics

Google Analytics
Google Search Console
Google Ad Manager
Social Media Marketing
E-mail Marketing

#### **Business Development**

Networking Relationship Building Proposal Creation Group Presentations B2B Sales

#### **EDUCATION**

User Experience Design Certificate
Prime Digital Academy
Minneapolis, MN
November 2020

Bachelor of Arts in Graphic Design Becker College Worcester, MA May 2010

#### **EXPERIENCE**

**UX Research & Design Student** - *Prime Digital Academy* - 07/2020 to 11/2020 Group Capstone Project - Locavori

Locavori is an early-stage startup looking to connect local food & beverage fans with local artisan food & beverage makers. To help create a space for this connection my team and I designed a mobile-responsive website. To contribute, I:

- Built a consumer survey with Google Forms & analyzed results using Miro
- Created a research protocol including a desirability study & moderated remote user research sessions
- Designed the website header, footer & home page to establish brand style
- Built the interactive desktop prototype for usability testing using Figma

## Solo Capstone Project - District 6 Hockey Officials

To help my local hockey officials district retain officials & encourage officials to improve, I:

- Performed a cognitive walkthrough of the existing d6ref.com website & comparative analysis of similar websites
- Built a survey using Google Forms & conducted remote contextual inquiries
- Created wireframes & improved the existing website architecture
- Developed an interactive prototype using Sketch & Invision
- Conducted remote usability testing with my interactive prototype

## **Digital Marketing Specialist** - *Big Fish Works* - October 2017 to May 2020

- Designed dynamic digital ads to match clients' brand and deliver high click-through rates
- Ran paid ad campaigns with Google AdWords and Facebook Ads
- Educated and advised sales staff on digital products and best practices
- Designed and built sales collateral and presentations to increase digital sales

**Sole Proprietor** - Wilderness Web Designs L.L.C. - April 2014 to November 2017

- Made sales and managed relationships with clients & referral partners
- Designed, developed, hosted and maintained websites with Wordpress CMS
- Created print marketing materials for clients to enhance their brand integrity
- Researched competitors and built proposal presentations with PowerPoint to close sales
- Consulted on digital lead generation techniques based on the clients' needs

#### Graphic Designer - St. Paul Stamp Works - July 2012 to April 2014

- Created vector graphics from rough jpeg images and scans using Illustrator
- Maintained quality control standards while proofreading production artwork

#### Graphic Designer - Direct Mail of Maine, Inc. - June 2011 to November 2011

- Collaborated with the Sr. Designer to create print-ready marketing materials
- Worked closely with the Production Team to ensure quality control of content