Sally Soleimani

MISSION

Senior Industrial Designer | 11+ years of experience in 3D modeling and design thinking methods, specializing in sustainable product development and cross-functional collaboration to create impactful consumer products.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Freelance Industrial Designer - Self-employed

February 2024 - Present, Remote

- Managed six diverse clients, delivering projects from concept to completion, with 100% satisfaction and on-time delivery.
- Designed manufacturable retail displays and optimized product workflows, reducing project timelines by 10%.
- Demonstrated expertise in client relationship management and prioritization, balancing concurrent projects effectively.

Senior Industrial Designer - The Central Group

March 2021 - January 2024, Toronto

The Central Group develops innovative retail packaging, displays, fixtures, and shopper environments that deliver business performance.

- Spearheaded the creation of permanent retail display concepts, leading to adoption in Canada, the US, and Mexico.
- Collaborated with stakeholders to optimize cost-effectiveness, reducing material costs by 15% without compromising quality.
- Delivered high-impact solutions, including a high-volume production display system that achieved measurable success in retail environments.

Industrial Designer - Array Marketing

April 2017 - December 2020, Toronto

Array Marketing is a leading global provider of retail merchandising solutions, offering end-to-end services to beauty and CPG clients.

- Created over 20 innovative store fixtures for clients, incorporating cost-effective materials such as LED lighting, aluminum, and injection-molded plastics.
- Increased client satisfaction by 20% through design improvements and value-engineering systems.
- Produced detailed specifications and 3D models using SolidWorks, ensuring manufacturability and on-budget delivery.

Design Engineer - Interior Manufacturing Group (IMG)

November 2013 - April 2017, Toronto

IMG designs and manufactures high-quality custom fixtures and furniture for retail and commercial spaces.

- Used SolidWorks to create production-ready drawings for store fixtures.
- Collaborated with designers to offer improvements and direction on projects.
- Designed wood and metal parts for in house CNC machines according to customer specification.

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EDUCATION

Certificate of UX Design

Brainstation

August 2019 - September 2019

Achieved the tools and methods of UX design by emphasizing both the practical elements and theoretical approaches used to guide the design of digital experiences

Bachelor of Industrial Design OCAD University

September 2009 - April 2013

Developed an understanding of human interaction with Design, the principles of physics, construction materials and methods. Practiced critical thinking and methods of creative expression

SKILLS

Professional: Attention to detail, Collaboration with clients, Product Development, Design Thinking Skills, Sketching and Rendering, 3D printing, Research, Problem-Solving, Verbal and Presentation skills, Commitment to deadlines, Time management, Value engineering skills, Drafting, UX Design

Technical: Solidworks (expert), Rhino, Illustrator, InDesign, Photoshop, AutoCAD, Key Shot, Microsoft Office