

Ash Gautam

Sr. Graphic Designer

Work Experience

HYATT / Senior Graphic Designer

2019 - 2022, Doha - Qatar

- Creative Development Developed concepts, story boards, and collaborated with creative agencies
- Innovation Developed a brand visual language for all F&B outlets, streamlining the digital transformation
- Brand Communication Collaborated with F&B, chefs, operations, and creative agencies to ensure effective brand communication
- Creative Strategy Implement and execute creative strategy, monthly marketing calendar, KPIs, and project management
- Brand Essence Wheel- Develop rational and emotional brand propositions for future needs

Led the opening of Italian restaurant ROCCA and the popular breakfast destination, Santa Monica Breakfast Club. Oversaw marketing strategy, print and digital creatives, and spearheaded a 3-in-1 digital portal for business and customers

Kout Food Group / Group Graphic Designer 2017 - 2019 - Kuwait | UK

- Developed and enhanced existing brands
- TVC Storyboards & Strategy for Online/Offline Mediums
- Collaborating with Creative Teams & Industry Professionals
- · Critical Thinking & Brand Positioning Workshops
- · Social Media Strategy on Major Platforms

As a Middle Eastern voice, I played an essential role in launching more than 13 F&B brands across GCC countries, including Burger King, Pizzahut, Subway, KFC, Costa, Applebee's, Taco Bell, IKEA, Little Chef, Melting Point, Ayyame, Kababji & Fol O' Yasmine. I worked closely with the operations managers, researchers, designers, and marketing team to ensure their successful launch

Ogilvy & Mather / Art Director

2016 - 2017 - India

Drawing on my extensive experience collaborating with creative teams, I have successfully managed numerous cross-media projects, including brand identity development, illustration, advertising, creative problem-solving, and project management. Among the high-profile brands I have worked with are PepsiCo, Absolute Vodka, Vodafone, Ray Ban, Seagram's Royal Stag, and tourism

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BAYZAT / Design Lead - MENA Region

2022 - Present, UAE

- Brand Expansion: Developing and implementing design strategy in new markets (KSA & Qatar)
- Innovation: Collaborating with global creative agencies and influencers to create successful digital products
- Creative Direction: Developing high-conversion digital and print collaterals, dynamic presentations, TVCs, storyboards, websites, and pitching ideas to stakeholders and investors
- Leading a design department that innovates in FinTech, SaaS, and Mobile App, with a team of passionate creatives who turn ideas into reality

Award & Leadership

- Hungry Bunny Innovation Award at GCC Leadership Summit
- Golden Apple Award for revitalizing Applebee's brand in Middle East and Southern America
- Best Video Award at YUM Brands (UAE) with 6 team members for unique Pizza Hut video
- UNESCO Creative Person Award for pollution awareness poster design
- Security Design & Print Award for African Government passport development

Education

UCA / MA Graphic Design

2008 - 2010, London

I participated in various experimental projects focused on developing innovative visual languages by incorporating vocal sounds and decoding the meaning of classical Indian dance hand gestures.

Skills

- · Graphic Design
- · Creative Direction
- Innovation
- · Problem Solving
- Leadership
- Research Brand Development
- Communication
- · Design Development