# Maitri Bhateja

San Francisco-based product designer with 4+ years of experience creating mobile and web experiences across fintech, e-commerce, SaaS, AR/VR, hospitality, and edtech.

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#### **Professional Experience**

#### ♦ AIML Inc., San Francisco // Senior UX Designer | Nov 2024 - Present

- Collaborating closely with the founders to develop a cutting-edge SaaS platform for pre-employment assessments, designed to optimize and accelerate hiring processes for enterprise clients.

## ♦ Women In Design, San Francisco // Design Mentor | Sep 2024 - Nov 2024

- Designed and implemented a dynamic support system aimed at fostering collaboration and strengthening connections within San Francisco's design community.

#### ♦ Center for Art & Public Life // Campaign Lead & Designer | Mar 24 – Aug 2024

- Spearheaded a team of five while working closely with the Assistant Director to strategize the 'Love Lives in SF' campaign, encompassing website design, interactive workshops, community events, merchandise design, and fundraising presentations.

## ♦ CNN Digital, San Francisco // Product Designer | Jan 2024 - Aug 2024

- Developed the research framework and conducted in-depth research on voter decision-making through exploratory studies, expert interviews, and co-design workshops with over 200 participants.
- Owned product design for a web app, orchestrating a five-person team to create 'voting playlists' tailored to political preferences, transforming CNN's youth engagement strategy to boost political literacy for the current election year.

## ♦ Thence, India // Senior UX Designer | Oct 2022 – Jun 2023

- Strategized upcoming design efforts covering adoption, engagement, and conversion; redesigned the company website while working closely with leadership and the marketing team, resulting in a marked increase in new business.
- Directed a team of two designers to rebuild a low-code/no-code product for tracking and managing environments, builds, and applications for Singapore-based SaaS enterprise, Neutrinos contributing to a 15% reduction in deployment errors.
- Worked closely with product leadership, product analysts and the engineering team to plan sprints and deliveries for leading e-commerce, edtech and fintech enterprises.

#### ♦ Thence, India // UX Designer | Mar 2021 – Sep 2023

- Revamped the UX for Angel One, India's second-largest online stockbroker with 20+ million users, enhancing accessibility and ease of use for investors in less developed cities, contributing to an 85% increase in yearly revenue and numerous awards including Fintech App of the Year, Best Mobile Trading Application and more.
- Steered the UX for four AR/XR products for global tech giant Avataar, collaborating with a cross-functional team of over 120 3D artists, developers, product leaders, and the CEO to design a 3D capture app, editor, and configurator for e-commerce, resulting in an Auggie Award at Augmented World Expo 2022.

### ♦ Thence, India // Associate UX Designer | Nov 2020 – Feb 2021

- Achieved a 9% increase in customer conversion rates at Blink, a leading Kuwaiti e-commerce company, by implementing UX interventions and optimizing information architecture based on ethnographic studies, competitive analysis, and heuristic insights.

#### **Education**

California College of the Arts, U.S.A -Don Norman Design Award recipient

Master in Human Computer Interaction (Aug 2023 – Aug 2024)

School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi, India

Bachelor of Architecture (Aug 2015 – Aug 2020) - License CA/2021/129119

#### **Notable Achievements**

- Impact Award 2024: \$10,000 recipient for design in social innovation for my work with CNN Digital
- Featured fast fashion system design and research work at San Francisco Climate Week 2024
- 'Superwoman' Award twice in 2021 and 2022 and the 'Good Samaritan' Award at Thence
- Undergraduate thesis part of the Top 20 exhibition of the cohort
- Co-authored Redevelopment of Community Center Precincts, New Delhi (ISBN: 978-93-83419-94-4)

#### **Proficiencies**

#### Design

Branding, Design Systems, Iconography, Illustrations, Information Architecture, Prototyping, SEO, Sketching, Story boarding, System Design, Wireframing

#### Research & Analysis

A/B Testing, Affinity Map, Contextual Inquiry, Product strategy and Roadmap, Surveys, Usability Testing, User interviews and Personae, User Journey Maps.

## **Tools**

Adobe CC, Asana, Figma, Figjam, JavaScript, Jira, Maze, Miro, Mural, Notion, Procreate, Proto.io, Sketch, UserTesting, Zeplin